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Biology
Section 1—Questions

MONDAY, 9 MAY

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

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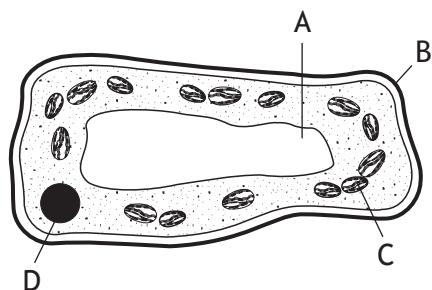
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SECTION 1

1. The diagram below shows parts of a plant cell.



Which part of this cell is composed of cellulose?

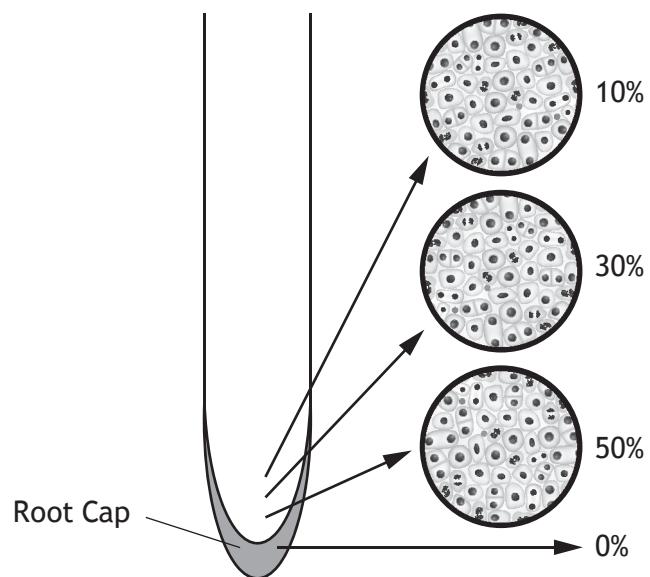
2. Four cylinders of potato tissue were weighed and each was placed into a salt solution of a different concentration.

The cylinders were reweighed after one hour and the results are shown below.

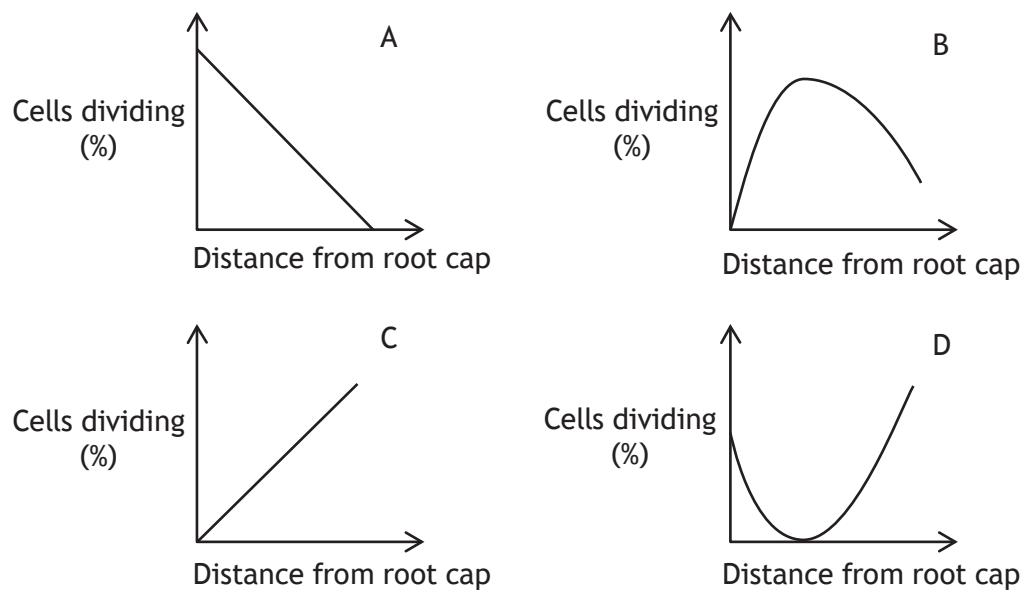
<i>Salt Solution</i>	<i>Initial mass of potato cylinder (g)</i>	<i>Final mass of potato cylinder (g)</i>
A	10·0	7·0
B	10·0	9·4
C	10·0	11·2
D	10·0	12·6

In which salt solution would most potato cells be plasmolysed?

3. The diagram below shows the percentage of cells dividing in four areas of an onion root.



Which graph represents the number of cells dividing in this root?



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4. Which of the following shows the correct DNA base pairing?

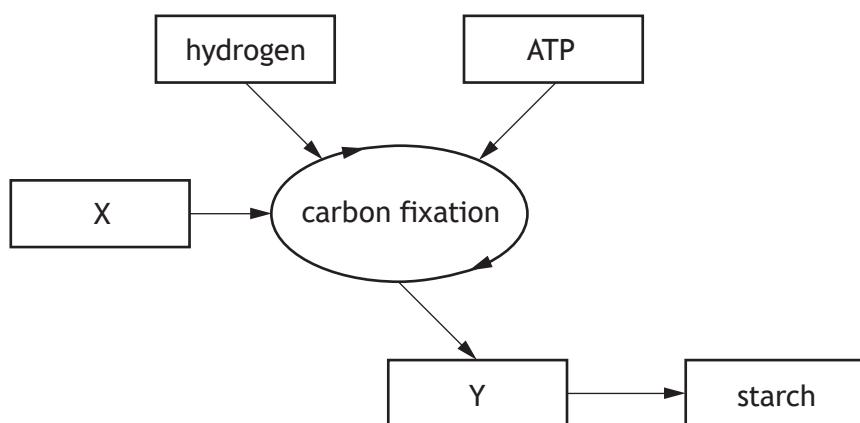
A A – C B A – T
C – G C – G
G – C G – T
T – A T – A

C A – G D A – T
C – G C – G
G – A G – C
T – A T – A

5. Hormones are composed of

A glycerol
B glucose
C protein
D starch.

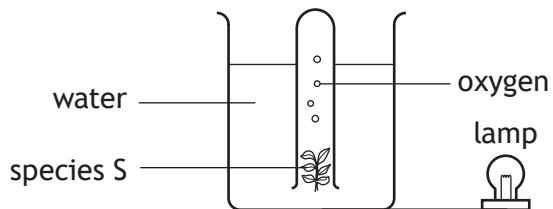
6. The diagram below shows the carbon fixation stage of photosynthesis.



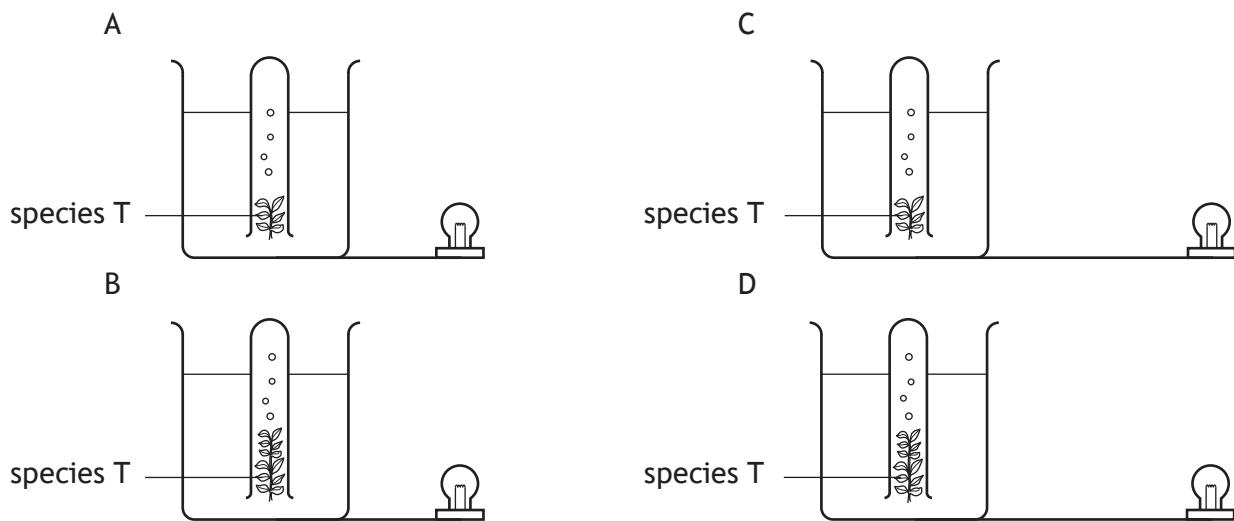
Which row in the table below identifies X and Y?

	X	Y
A	Sugar	Oxygen
B	Water	Carbon dioxide
C	Carbon dioxide	Sugar
D	Water	Oxygen

7. An investigation was carried out to compare the rate of oxygen gas production by two different species of water plant, S and T.



Which diagram below shows the set-up for species T, that would allow a valid comparison in the rate of oxygen production of the two species?



8. Each skin cell in a mouse has 40 chromosomes. How many chromosomes were present in each cell after dividing four times during cell culture?

- A 10
- B 20
- C 40
- D 160

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9. Specialisation of cells in animals leads to the formation of

- A tissues and organs
- B meristems and organs
- C stem cells and tissues
- D stem cells and meristems.

10. The table below shows the blood glucose levels of two people after eating the same meal.

The normal range of blood glucose levels is 82–110 mg/dL.

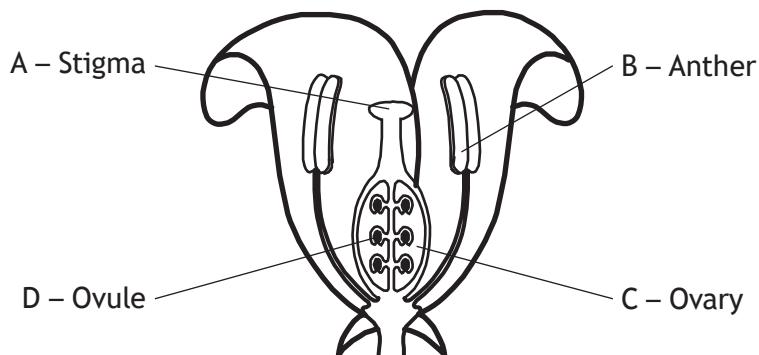
Time after eating meal (min)	Blood glucose levels (mg/dL)	
	Person A	Person B
30	120	140
60	140	170
90	110	190
120	90	180
150	85	170
180	90	160

Using the information given, which of the following statements is correct?

- A Person A always stayed within the normal range.
- B Person B was outwith the normal range 180 minutes after eating.
- C Person B had a level twice as high as that of person A 180 minutes after eating.
- D Person A and person B both had their highest levels 90 minutes after eating.

11. The diagram below shows the structure of a flower.

Where are the male gametes produced?



12. Most features of an individual phenotype are

- A controlled by a single gene and show continuous variation
- B controlled by a single gene and show discrete variation
- C polygenic and show continuous variation
- D polygenic and show discrete variation.

13. The following diagram shows the inheritance of coat colour in guinea pigs.

P Phenotype Black guinea pig X White guinea pig

P Genotype: BB bb

F1 Genotype: Bb

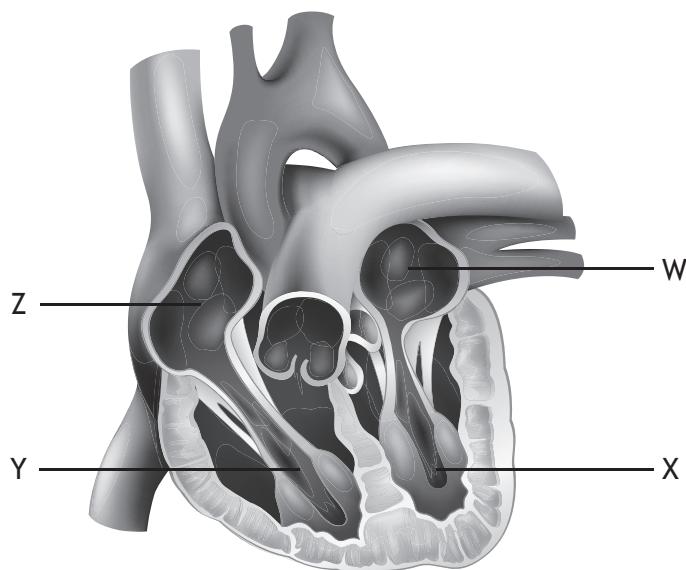
F2 Genotypes: BB and Bb and bb

Which of the following generations contain heterozygous individuals?

- A P and F1
- B P and F2
- C F1 and F2
- D P, F1 and F2

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14. The diagram below shows the heart and associated blood vessels.



Which of the following statements is correct?

- A W is the left atrium which receives blood from the body.
- B X is the left ventricle which pumps blood to the body.
- C Y is the right atrium which receives blood from the lungs.
- D Z is the right ventricle which pumps blood to the lungs.

15. Which of the following statements best describes a niche?

- A A living factor which affects biodiversity in an ecosystem.
- B A region of our planet as distinguished by its climate, fauna and flora.
- C All the organisms in an area and their habitat.
- D The role that an organism plays within a community.

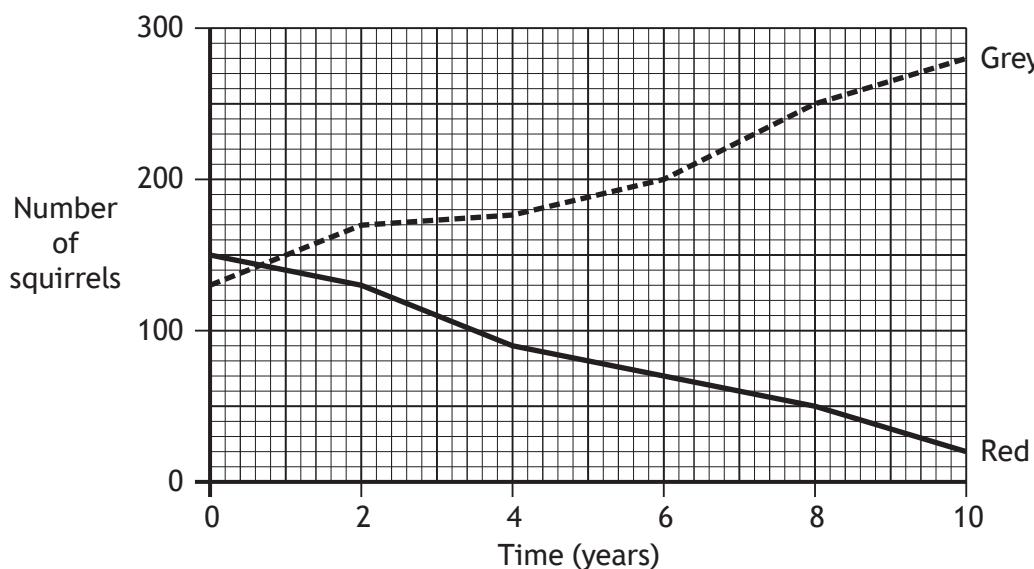
16. An ecosystem receives 6 000 000 units of energy from the sun.

Of this energy, 95% is **not** used in photosynthesis.

The amount of energy captured by the producers in this ecosystem is

- A 30 000
- B 300 000
- C 570 000
- D 5 700 000.

17. The graph below shows changes in the population of red and grey squirrels in an area of woodland over a 10 year period.

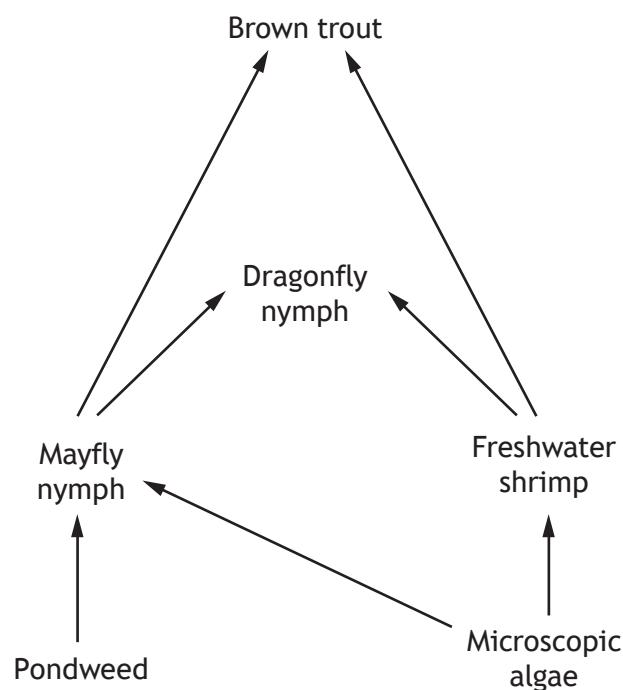


Which of the following conclusions can be drawn from the graph?

- A The total number of squirrels decreased over 10 years.
 - B The population of red squirrels showed a greater change than the grey squirrels.
 - C The population of grey squirrels showed a greater change than the red squirrels.
 - D After 8 years there were 4 times as many grey squirrels as red squirrels.
18. Which of the following is a source of new alleles in a population?
- A Mutation
 - B Isolation
 - C Natural selection
 - D Environmental conditions
19. Indicator species can provide information about
- A numbers of organisms in a lake
 - B numbers of predators in a woodland
 - C levels of light in an ecosystem
 - D levels of pollution in a river.

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20. The diagram below represents a freshwater food web.



The number of freshwater shrimps was found to have decreased dramatically.

Predict the effect this will have on the numbers of dragonfly nymphs and microscopic algae.

- A Both populations would decrease.
- B Both populations would increase.
- C Microscopic algae would decrease and dragonfly nymphs would increase.
- D Microscopic algae would increase and dragonfly nymphs would decrease.

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Total marks—80

SECTION 1—20 marks

Attempt ALL questions.

Instructions for the completion of Section 1 are given on *Page 02*.

SECTION 2—60 marks

Attempt ALL questions.

Write your answers clearly in the spaces provided in this booklet. Additional space for answers and rough work is provided at the end of this booklet. If you use this space you must clearly identify the question number you are attempting. Any rough work must be written in this booklet. You should score through your rough work when you have written your final copy.

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SECTION 1—20 marks

The questions for Section 1 are contained in the question paper X707/75/02.

Read these and record your answers on the answer grid on *Page 03* opposite.

Use **blue** or **black** ink. Do NOT use gel pens or pencil.

1. The answer to each question is either A, B, C or D. Decide what your answer is, then fill in the appropriate bubble (see sample question below).
2. There is **only one correct** answer to each question.
3. Any rough working should be done on the additional space for answers and rough work at the end of this booklet.

Sample Question

The thigh bone is called the

- A humerus
- B femur
- C tibia
- D fibula.

The correct answer is B — femur. The answer B bubble has been clearly filled in (see below).

A B C D

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Changing an answer

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SECTION 1—Answer Grid



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SECTION 2—60 marks**Attempt ALL questions**

1. (a) State a feature of the cell membrane which allows the movement of only some substances into the cell.

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- (b) Osmosis is a process which can occur across the cell membrane.

- (i) Choose either the leaf cell or red blood cell by ticking (✓) one of the boxes below.

Describe the effect of osmosis on this type of cell if it was placed in pure water.

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Leaf cell

Red blood cell

Effect on the cell

- (ii) 1 Name a process, other than osmosis, which allows molecules to pass through the cell membrane.

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- 2 Give a definition of the process chosen.

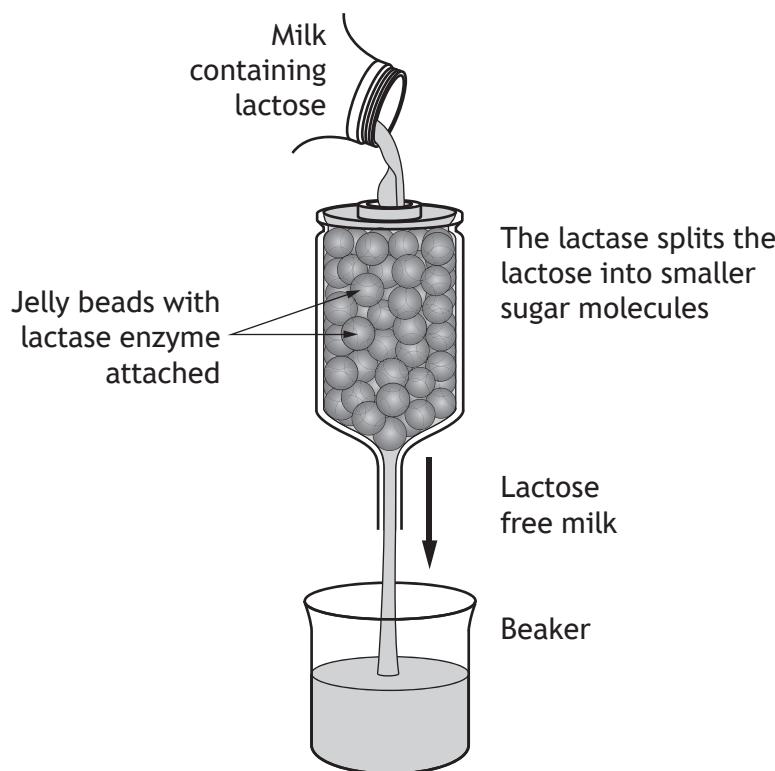
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2. The diagram below shows how the enzyme lactase is used in the production of lactose-free milk.



- (a) (i) Underline **one** option in each of the brackets to make the following sentences correct.

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This process is an example of a $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{degradation} \\ \text{synthesis} \end{array} \right\}$ reaction.

In this reaction, lactose is the $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{product} \\ \text{substrate} \end{array} \right\}$ of lactase.



2. (a) (continued)

- (ii) A fault in the production resulted in boiling water running over the lactase enzyme.

Using your knowledge of enzymes, predict how the milk produced would differ from the expected product.

Explain your answer.

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Prediction _____

Explanation _____

- (b) Enzymes such as lactase are biological catalysts.

Explain the role of enzymes in living cells.

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- (c) Name the substance of which enzymes are made.

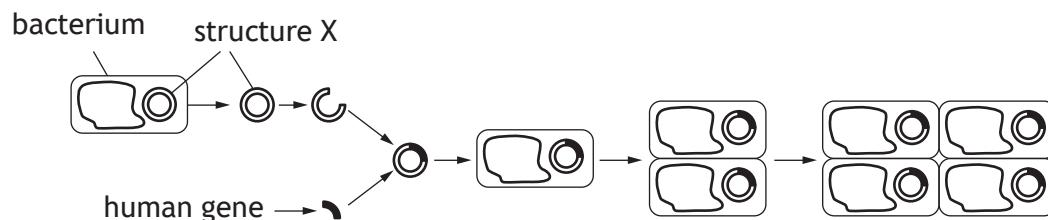
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3. The diagram below represents part of the process of genetic engineering.



- (a) (i) Structure X is removed from the bacterium and modified during this process.

Name structure X.

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- (ii) The bacteria have an initial concentration of 1000 cells/cm³.

Each cell divides once every 30 minutes.

Calculate how long it will take for the concentration to become greater than 15 000 cells/cm³.

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- (b) The genetically modified bacteria are grown in a fermenter.

- (i) Explain why the fermenter must be sterilised using aseptic techniques before it is used.

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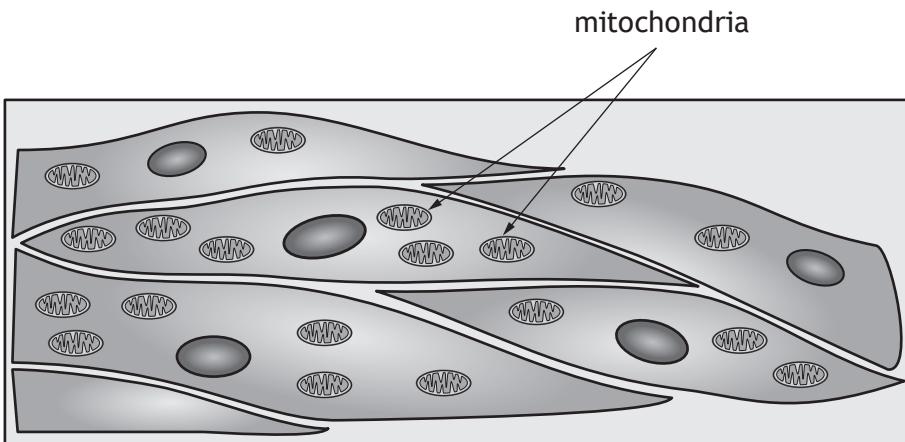
- (ii) The fermenter is controlled to provide optimum conditions.

Name one factor which can be controlled.

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4. The diagram below shows muscle cells.



- (a) (i) Explain why muscle cells require many mitochondria.

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- (ii) Name one substance produced by a cell carrying out aerobic respiration.

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- (b) A muscle cell will carry out fermentation when oxygen is not available.

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5. The table below gives information about features of three different types of blood vessel.

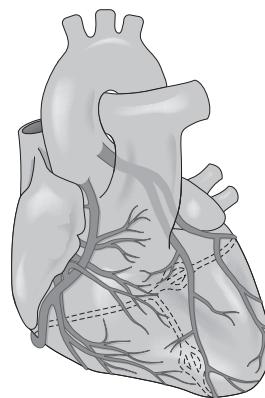
- (a) (i) Complete the table by writing the name of the missing types of blood vessels in the empty boxes. 2

Type of blood vessel	Diameter of central channel (mm)	Thickness of vessel wall (mm)
	30·0	1·5
Capillary	0·006	0·001
	25·0	2·0

- (ii) Of all the blood vessels, capillaries are best adapted for gas exchange.

Using the information in the table, give a reason for this. 1

- (b) The heart is a muscle which pumps blood around the body and requires its own blood supply.

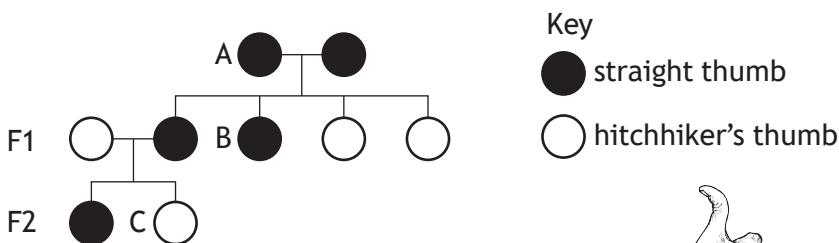


Name the blood vessel which supplies the heart muscle with blood. 1



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6. The following diagram represents part of a family tree showing the inheritance of hitchhiker's thumb, where the thumb can bend back as shown below.



- (a) Complete the table below for individuals A and C.

2

Individual	Possible Genotype(s)	Phenotype
A		straight thumb
B	TT or Tt	straight thumb
C	tt	

- (b) In a survey of 90 students it was found that 25 of them had hitchhiker's thumb.

- (i) Calculate the number of students with straight thumb to hitchhiker's thumb as a simple, whole number ratio.

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_____ : _____
 straight hitchhiker's
 thumb thumb

- (ii) The predicted ratio was 3 straight thumb : 1 hitchhiker's thumb.

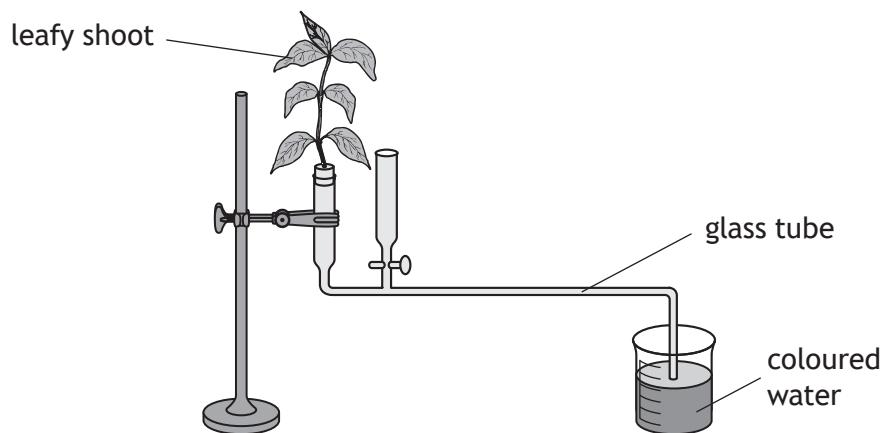
Explain why the predicted ratio was different to the actual ratio.

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7. (a) The rate of transpiration in plants can be measured using the apparatus shown below.

As the plant transpires, coloured water is drawn up the glass tube and its volume measured, over a set period of time, to give the rate of transpiration.



Changes in the surrounding environment can have an effect on the rate of transpiration.

- (i) Select **one** of the environmental changes listed below by **circling** it.

increase in humidity	increase in temperature	increase in wind speed
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State the effect of this change on the rate of transpiration. 1

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- (ii) Choose any of the environmental changes listed above and describe an addition to the apparatus shown, which would allow an investigation into its effect. 1

Environmental change _____

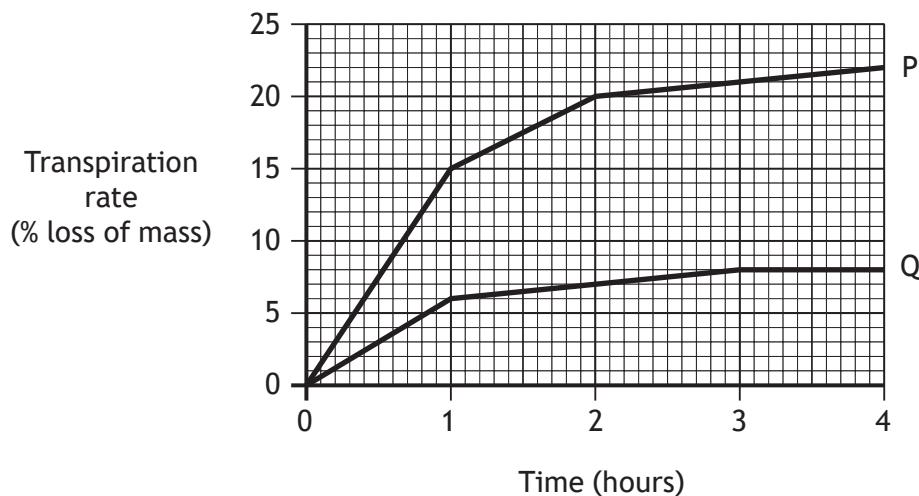
Description of addition _____



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7. (continued)

- (b) The graph below shows transpiration rates of two plants, P and Q.



- (i) With reference to the number of stomata, suggest a reason for the different transpiration rates of plants P and Q.

1

- (ii) Name the type of cells which control the opening and closing of stomata.

1

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8. Nutritional information helps people make an informed choice about the food they eat.

Table 1 – Label from a bar of chocolate

<i>Nutritional information</i>	<i>per 100 g</i>	<i>per bar</i>	<i>% RI*</i>
Energy (kJ)	2251	630	7·5
Sugar	65 g	18 g	15·6
Protein	10 g	2·8 g	3
Total fat	25 g	7 g	10
Saturated fat	20 g	5·6 g	28
Salt	0·4g	0·1 g	1·7

*RI = Reference Intake (formerly “guideline daily amount”)

Table 2 – Guidelines on salt content

<i>Salt category</i>	<i>Salt content (g/100 g)</i>
High	More than 1·5
Medium	0·3 to 1·5
Low	Less than 0·3

- (a) Using information from **Table 1** and **Table 2**, identify the salt category to which this chocolate bar belongs.

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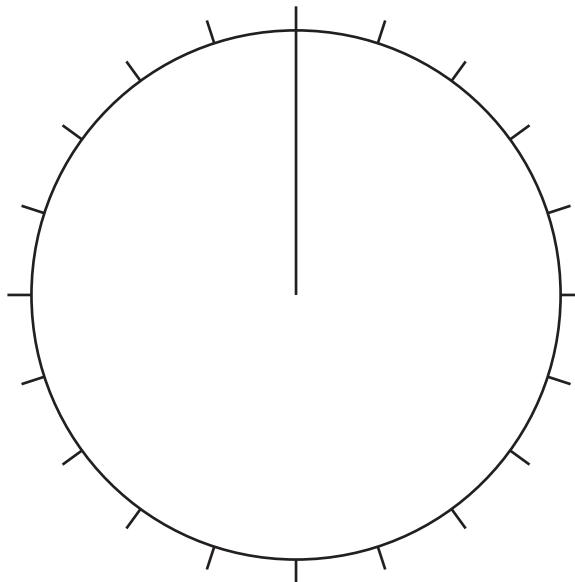


8. (continued)

- (b) Use the information in **Table 1** to complete the pie chart below to show the composition of protein, sugar and total fat in 100 g of the chocolate.

2

(An additional pie chart, if required, can be found on *Page 26*)



- (c) (i) As shown in Table 1, saturated fat makes up part of the total fat in this chocolate bar.

Calculate the percentage of total fat which is saturated.

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_____ %

- (ii) One bar of this chocolate contains 630 kilojoules which is 7.5% of the reference intake (RI).

Calculate the total number of kilojoules which should be consumed daily.

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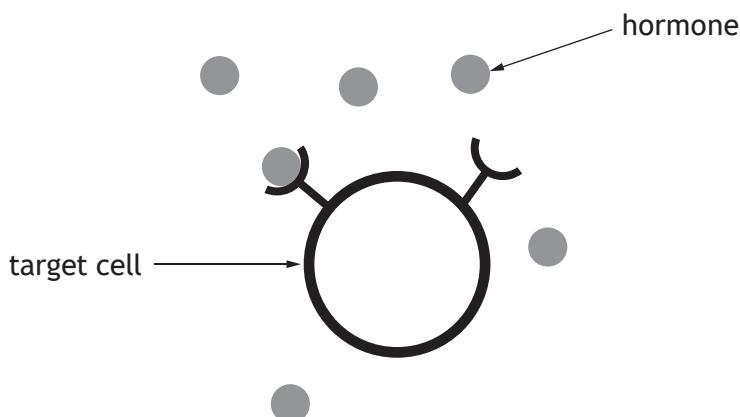
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_____ kilojoules



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9. (a) The diagram below represents a hormone binding to a cell within its target tissue.



Explain why only the target cells are affected by this hormone.

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- (b) Name the type of gland that releases hormones into the bloodstream.

1

- (c) Blood glucose levels are controlled by two hormones.

Underline one option in the bracket to make the following sentence correct.

1

A decrease in blood glucose levels is detected by the pancreas

and this causes an increase in the release of glycogen
insulin
glucagon

into the blood stream.



10. A food chain from a river is shown below.

algae → water flea → stickleback → perch

Using the information in the food chain, answer the following questions.

- (a) (i) Identify an organism which is **both** predator and prey. 1

- (ii) Pesticides are known to run off from the land into rivers and enter the food chains.

Name the organism which would accumulate the greatest concentration of pesticides in its body over a period of time. 1

- (b) State **one** way in which energy may be lost between stages in a food chain. 1

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11. (a) In an investigation, students estimated the population and biomass of some organisms found on part of a rocky shore.

The table below shows the results.

Organism	Population	Average mass of one organism (g)	Biomass of population (g)
Seaweed	220	500	110 000
Limpet	1 100		33 000
Crab	100	90	9 000
Gull	5	700	3 500

- (i) Complete the table to show the average mass of one limpet.

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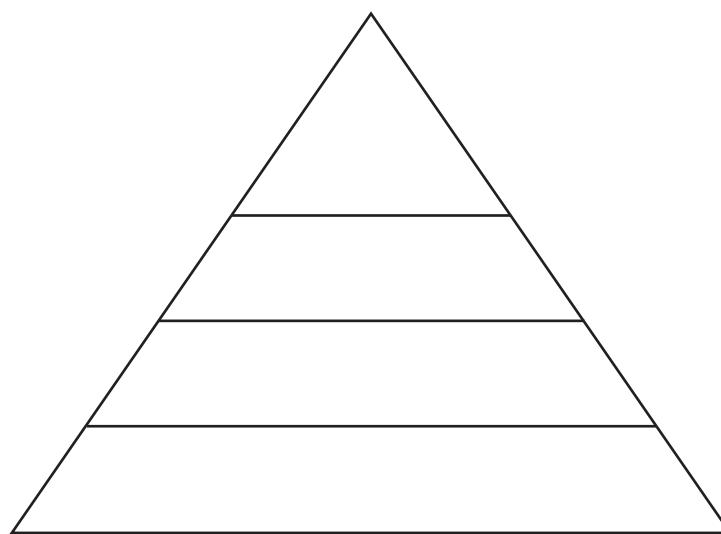
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- (ii) The total mass of living material decreases at each level in the food chain. This can be shown as a pyramid of biomass.

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Complete the diagram below by entering the names of the organisms from the table into the appropriate section.

(An additional diagram, if required, can be found on page 26)



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11. (continued)

- (b) During the investigation the students found four different species of periwinkles at different positions on the rocky shore.



The highest position that the sea water reaches on the shore is called the high tide level.

The bars in the table below represent the positions on the shore where each species of periwinkle was found.

	<i>Species of periwinkle</i>			
<i>Position on shore</i>	<i>Small</i>	<i>Edible</i>	<i>Rough</i>	<i>Flat</i>
High tide level	█	█	█	█
Low tide level				

- (i) State which species of periwinkle is least likely to compete with the small periwinkle.

Explain your answer.

1

Species _____

Explanation _____

- (ii) Using the information given, explain why the competition between these periwinkles is described as interspecific.

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12. A group of students carried out a five year investigation into plant growth in an area of abandoned farmland.

They sampled the area using quadrats.

The results are shown in the table below.

Average abundance of each plant			
Year	Meadow grass	Ragwort	Pink campion
2011	8	15	9
2012	16	14	7
2013	24	12	4
2014	25	8	2
2015	25	5	1

- (a) (i) Calculate the average decrease per year in the abundance of ragwort over the five-year period.

1

Space for calculation

- (ii) Use information from the table to suggest why the ragwort abundance decreased over the five-year period.

1

- (b) The students also sampled invertebrates such as beetles and spiders.

Name a sampling technique they could have used and describe a possible source of error with this technique.

2

Sampling technique _____

Source of error _____



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12. (continued)

- (c) The following table gives information about some of the flowering plants found in the area.

Plant	Height range (cm)	Flower colour	Flowering period (months)
Pink Campion	30–90	pink	6
Ragwort	30–200	yellow	6
Meadow Grass	30–70	green	3
Buttercup	5–90	yellow	5

Using the information in the table, complete the three boxes in the paired statement key below.

3

1. Flower colour is yellow go to 2

Flower colour is not yellow

2. Height of plant can be over 100 cm Ragwort

Height of plant is under 100 cm

3. Flowering period lasts only 3 months Meadow Grass

Flowering period is longer than 3 months

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13. The diagrams below show the light and dark varieties of a moth which can be found in woodland areas. These moths rest on the bark of trees during the day and can be eaten by birds. Normally the bark of trees in the woodland is light coloured. However in industrial areas, pollutants cause the tree bark to darken.

Woodland area



Industrial area



- (a) The dark variety of the moth is the result of a random change in the genetic information.

State the term used to describe this change.

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- (b) An investigation into the population of these moths in a woodland was carried out. The moths were captured, marked and released. 24 hours later the moths were recaptured.

The results are shown in the following table.

Variety of moth	Number of moths marked and released	Number of marked moths recaptured	Marked moths recaptured (%)
Light	480	264	55
Dark	520	208	40

- (i) Suggest a reason why the number of the marked moths recaptured was worked out as a percentage.

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13. (b) (continued)

- (ii) The woodland was in a non-industrial area.

Explain why the percentage of light moths recaptured was higher than dark moths.

- (iii) Name the process which results in the better adapted variety of moth being more likely to survive and reproduce.

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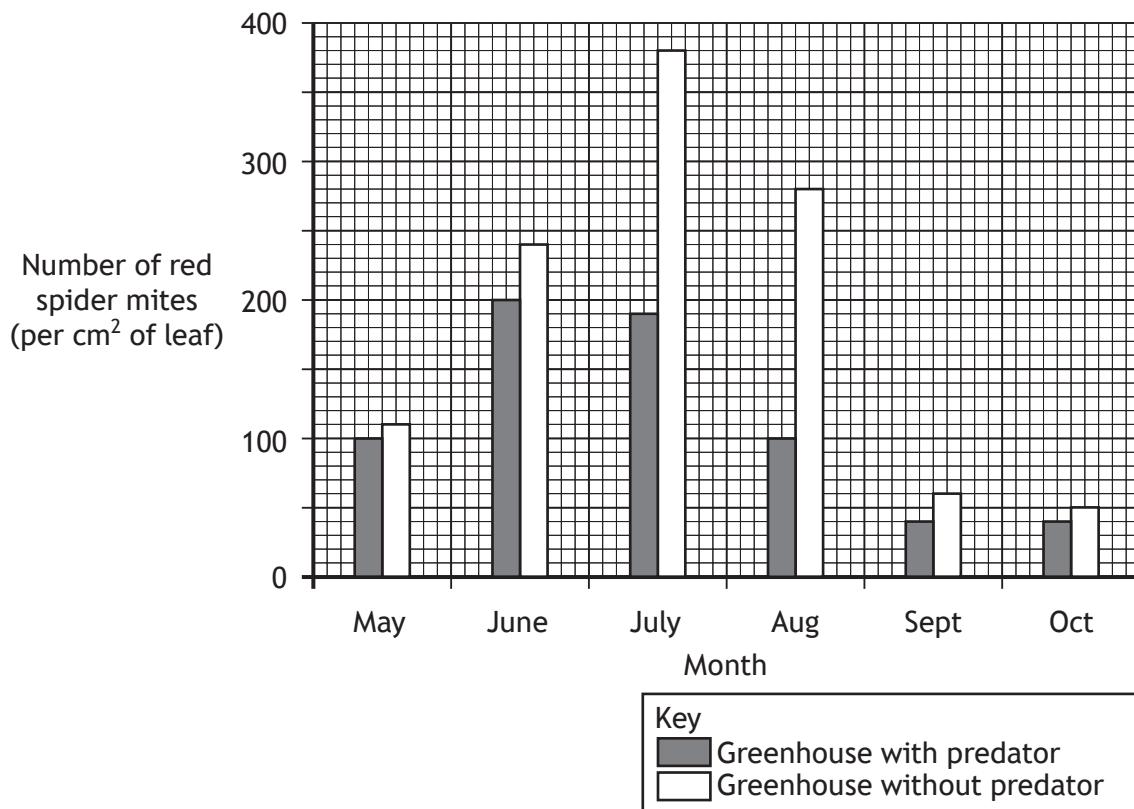
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14. Red spider mites are a common pest which destroy tomato plants. Some of the mites are resistant to chemical pesticides.



Tomato growers aimed to investigate whether a predator would reduce the spider mite numbers in their greenhouses. Two identical greenhouses were used and the predator was released into only one greenhouse.

The results are shown in the graph below.



- (a) (i) With reference to the aim of this investigation, give the conclusion that the tomato growers would have drawn from these results.

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14. (a) (continued)

- (ii) The greenhouse containing tomato plants without predators was included as a control experiment.

State the purpose of the control in this investigation.

- (b) State the term which describes the use of a predator as an alternative to pesticides.

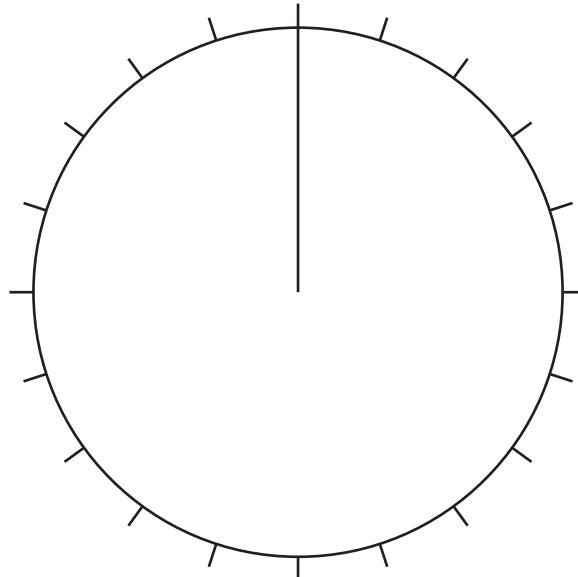
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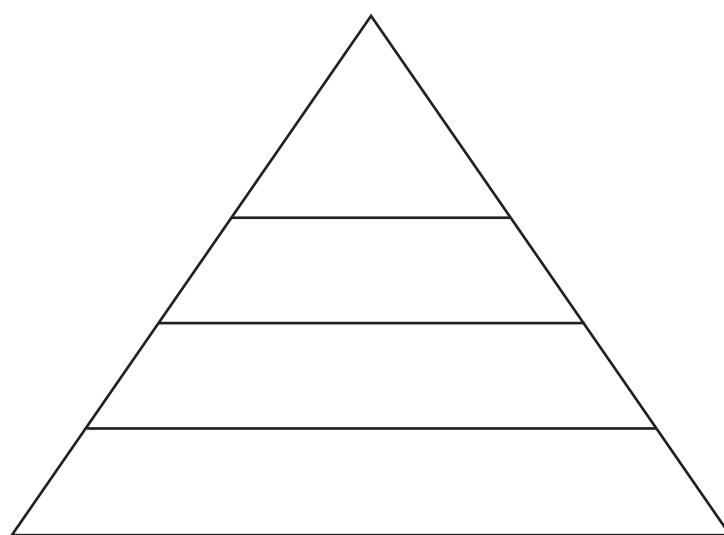
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