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BIOLOGY

(THEORY)

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2 hours 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

Answer question one in section A plus three others from section B.

Candidates are advised to read the questions carefully, organise their answers and present them precisely and logically, illustrating with well-labelled diagrams wherever necessary.

1. Table 1 shows percentages by volume of some gases in inspired air, expired air and alveolar air, in a resting human being.

Table 1

Gas	Percentage Volume (%)		
	Inspired air	Expired air	Alveolar air
Oxygen	20.90	15.30	13.90
Nitrogen	78.60	74.90	No data
Carbondioxide	0.03	3.60	4.90
Water vapour	0.47	6.20	No data

Figure 1 a and b show effects of increased carbondioxide concentrations in inspired air, on the volume of air breathed in and out per minute and on the breathing rate respectively.

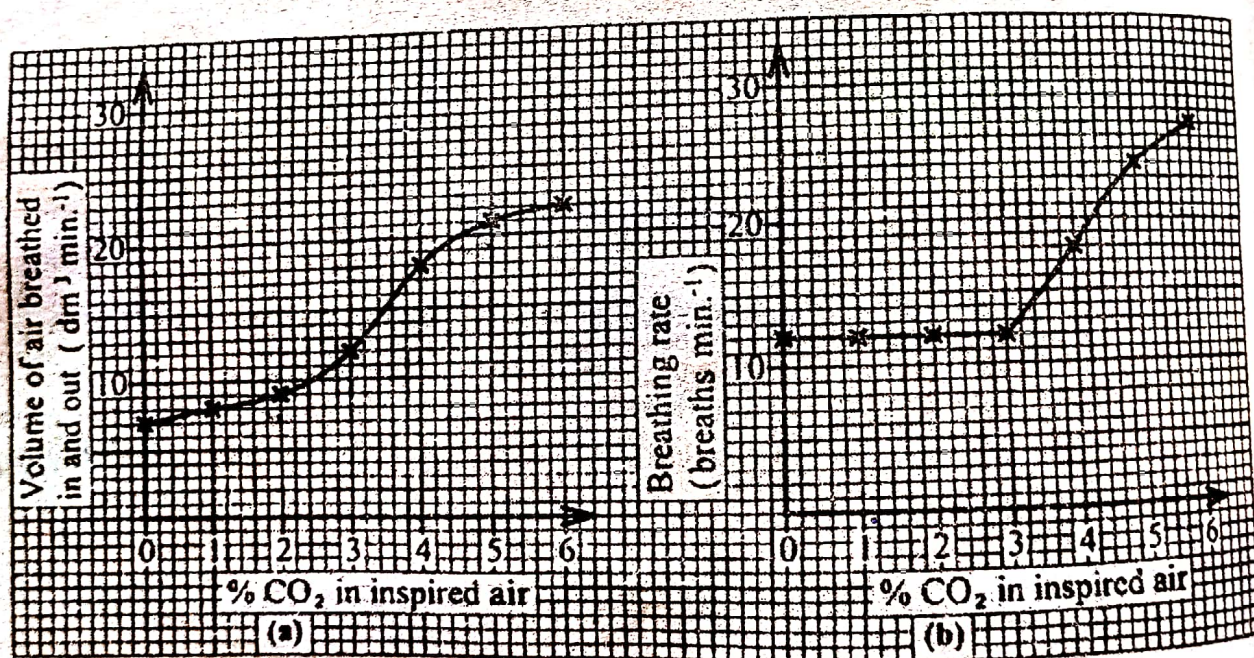


Fig. 1

(a) Explain why

- (i) the percentage volume of oxygen in expired air is intermediate between the inspired and alveolar values.

04 mark

- (ii) there is a difference in the percentage volume of nitrogen between inspired and expired air. (04 marks)

- (b) (i) using the information in figure 1, calculate the mean volumes of a single breath in and out, at different carbondioxide concentrations in inspired air, indicated in Table 2. (3½ marks)

Table 2

Percentage concentration of CO ₂ in inspired air	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
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- (ii) Plot a graph showing the mean volume of a single breath against percentage concentration of carbondioxide in inspired air. (5½ marks)
- (c) Describe the effect of the increase in carbondioxide concentration in inspired air on the
- (i) volume of air breathed in and out per minute. (03 marks)
 - (ii) breathing rate. (03 marks)
 - (iii) mean volume of a single breath in and out. (03 marks)
- (d) Explain the effect of the increase in carbondioxide concentration in inspired air on the
- (i) volume of air breathed in and out per minute. (02 marks)
 - (ii) breathing rate. (02 marks)
 - (iii) mean volume of a single breath in and out. (02 marks)
- (e) Outline the physiological effects in the body, of breathing in excess
- (i) carbondioxide. (04 marks)
 - (ii) oxygen. (04 marks)