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BIOLOGY

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Time: 2 hours

8:00 – 10:00 am

PAPER I

(100) Marks)

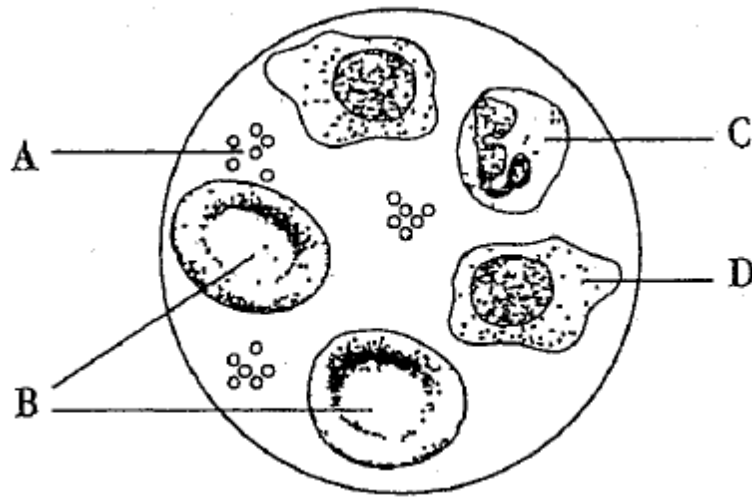
INSTRUCTIONS

1. This paper contains 11 printed pages.
Please check.
2. This paper has 2 sections, sections A
and B. answer all questions in both
sections.
3. Write your name and class on top of
all pages.
4. At the end of the examinations, hand
in your paper to the invigilator.

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1. Figure 1 is a diagram representing blood as seen under a microscope .use it to answer the questions that follow.



(a) Use letters to give parts responsible for the following

- i. Transport of oxygen _____ (1 Mark)
- ii. Making antibodies _____ (1 Mark)
- iii. Blood clotting _____ (1 Mark)

(b) How do C and D differ in the way they function?

 _____ (1 Mark)

(c) Explain two ways in which the structures that transport oxygen adapted for their function

 _____ (1 Mark)

(d) State two roles of the lymphatic system

 _____ (1 Mark)

2. (a) Under what condition is adrenaline secreted in human body?

 _____ (1 Mark)

(i) Which gland in the body secretes the hormone in a (i)?

 _____ (1 Mark)

(ii) What effect does the hormone have on the circulatory and breathing system?

_____ (1 Mark)

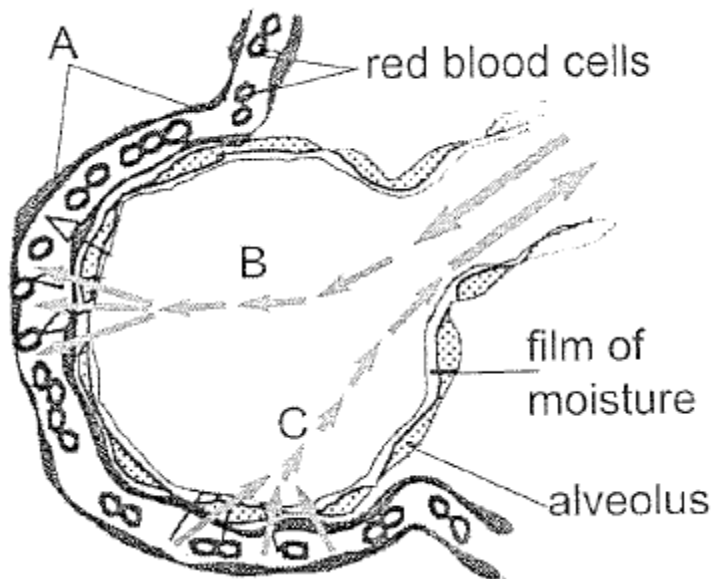
(b) What mineral element is needed for the formation of thyroxine?

_____ (1 Mark)

(c) Why is the pituitary gland called the master gland?

_____ (1 Mark)

3. Figure 2. is a diagram of an alveolus surrounded by a blood capillary. use it to answer the questions that follow



(a) Name the parts labelled A, B and C

A

B

C

(b) Suggest a possible function of a thin film of moisture on the lining of the alveolus

_____ (1 Mark)

4. (a) Explain how one acquire

(i) Natural active immunity

(1 Mark)

(ii) Natural passive immunity

(1 Mark)

(b) Children under five years are vaccinated against diseases such as Tetanus and Tuberculosis.
Explain how vaccination protect children against infection

(1 Mark)

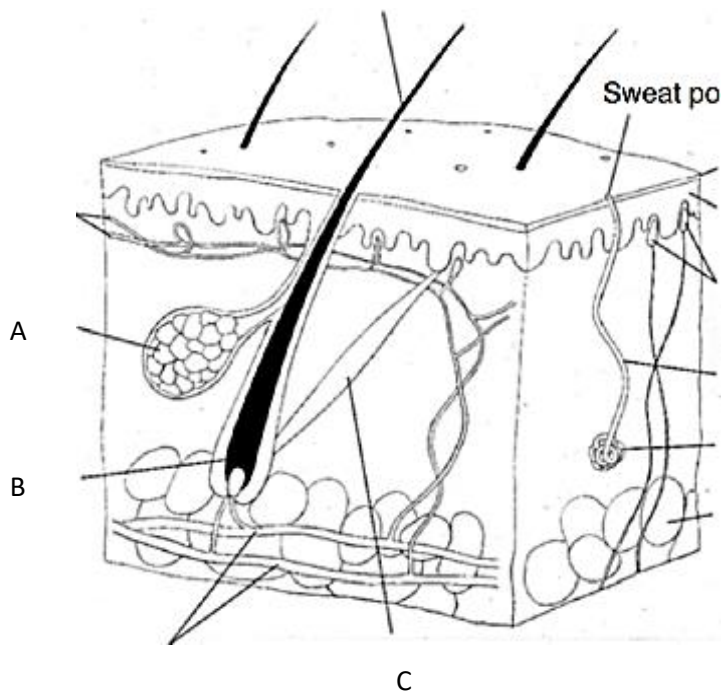
(c) What is the function of Helper T-cells in the body?

(1 Mark)

(d) State the effect of HIV on Helper T-cells in the body

(1 Mark)

5. Figure 3. shows a diagram of a vertical section of the human skin. Use it to answer the questions that follows



(a) Name the parts labelled A, B and C

A

B

C

(b) State one function of the skin.

_____ (1 Mark)

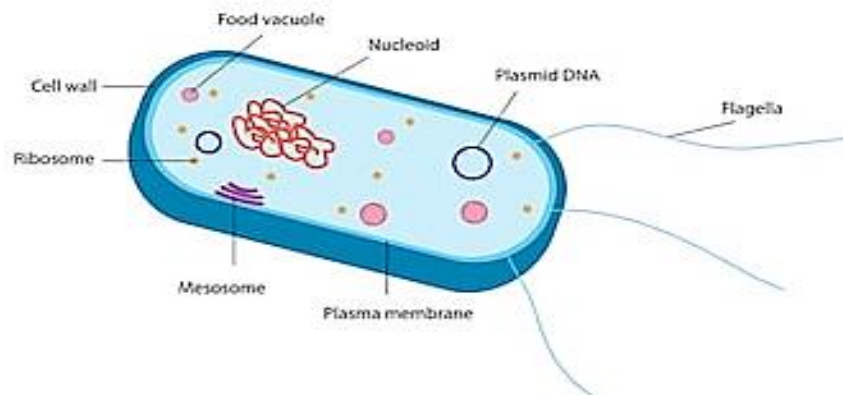
6. (a) List two examples of human activities that affect the environment

_____ (1 Mark)

(b) State two ways of mitigating the impact of climate change

_____ (1 Mark)

7. Figure 4. is a diagram of a microorganism. Use it to cover the questions that follow



(a) State two useful and harmful ways of the microorganism

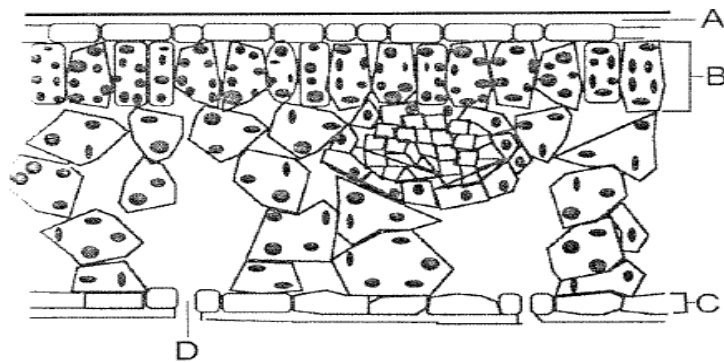
(i) Useful ways

_____ (1 Mark)

(ii) Harmful ways

_____ (1 Mark)

8. Figure 7. shows a diagram representing a cross section of a leaf. Use it to answer the questions that follow



- (a) Name the parts labelled R and S

_____ (1 Mark)

- (b) (i) Which tissue is the main site for photosynthesis in the leaf?

_____ (1 Mark)

- (ii) Give a reason for your answer to 7b (i)

_____ (1 Mark)

- (c) List two raw materials which the leaf needs when undergoing photosynthesis

_____ (2 Marks)

9. Figure 8. shows a response in plants. Use it to answer the question that follows.



- (a) Identify the response _____ (1 Mark)

- (b) What is the stimulus _____ (1 Mark)

(c) Explain what brings the response

(1 Mark)

10. (a) Mention two regions along the alimentary canal where physical digestion occurs

(1 Mark)

(b) Name any one process in absorption of the end product of digestion

(1 Mark)

(c) Describe what happens to food after digestion

(1 Mark)

11. Figure 9. shows the diagram of part of a nephron . use it to answer the question that follows

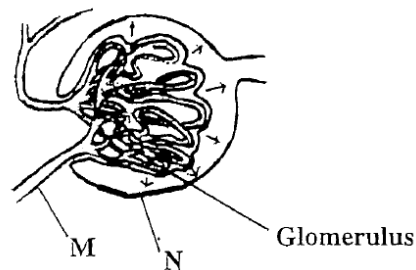


Figure 8

(a) Name the partslabelled W and Z

(1 Mark)

(b) Name the process that occur in the region X

(1 Mark)

(c) State two substances that become part of the fluid shown by arrow X

(1 Mark)

(d) (I) What is the effect of an intake of salt solution on urine production?

(1 Mark)

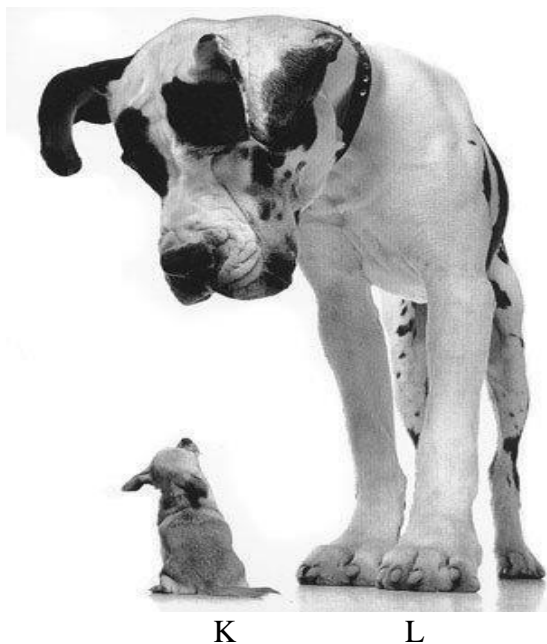
(ii) Which hormone is responsible for control of salt concentration in blood ?

(1 Mark)

12. State any one mode of transmission in diarrhoea disease

(1 Mark)

13. Figure 10 shows a diagram of two adult dogs labelled L and K of the same age and produced from a common ancestor. Use it to answer the questions that follow.



(a) Write two variation that you can observe between them

(1 Mark)

(b) Suggest the cause of the variation between them

(1 Mark)

(c) A certain wing abnormality in an insect is caused by a single gene which is recessive to the normal gene. Using **A** to represent the normal gene and **a** to represent the abnormal gene. Write the genotype expected of the insects

SECTION B ESSAY QUESTIONS

14. Describe the breathing mechanism in human being.

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