

RAJARATA UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCES

B.Sc. (General) Degree in Applied Science First Year – Semester II Examination - February/March 2019

ZOO 1203 – GENERAL ENTOMOLOGY

Time: Two (02) hours

Answer FOUR (04) questions.

1. a) Describe the features that are characteristic to insects paying special emphasis to *unique specializations* not shared with other related arthropod groups.

(11 marks)

- b) Outline the distinct features of insects that have contributed to their success on earth.

 (14 marks)
- 2. Describe the evolutionary process of tagma formation with regard to the three major regions of the insect body, and outline the functional significance of each body region.

 (25 marks)
- 3. With the aid of suitable diagrams, describe the structure of the insect integument, and comment on the sequential changes that occur during and after molting.

 (25 marks)
- 4. a) Describe, with the aid of labeled diagrams, three major types of neurons present in the insect body.

(09 marks)

b) Outline the three major categories of neurons based on their functions

(16 marks)

5. Mention two unique characters found in each of the following Orders/Suborders of insects.

Order Isoptera Order Dermaptera Suborder Homoptera Order Thysanoptera Order Lepidoptera

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