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Paper 2: Biology 2

Higher Tier

Sample Assessment Materials for first teaching September 2016
Time: 1 hour 10 minutes

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You must have:
Calculator, ruler

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided – *there may be more space than you need.*
- Calculators may be used.
- Any diagrams may NOT be accurately drawn, unless otherwise indicated.
- You must **show all your working out** with **your answer clearly identified** at the **end of your solution**.

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets – *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- In questions marked with an asterisk (*), marks will be awarded for your ability to structure your answer logically showing how the points that you make are related or follow on from each other where appropriate.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Some questions must be answered with a cross in a box ☒.
If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

1 Figure 1 shows a diagram of the heart.

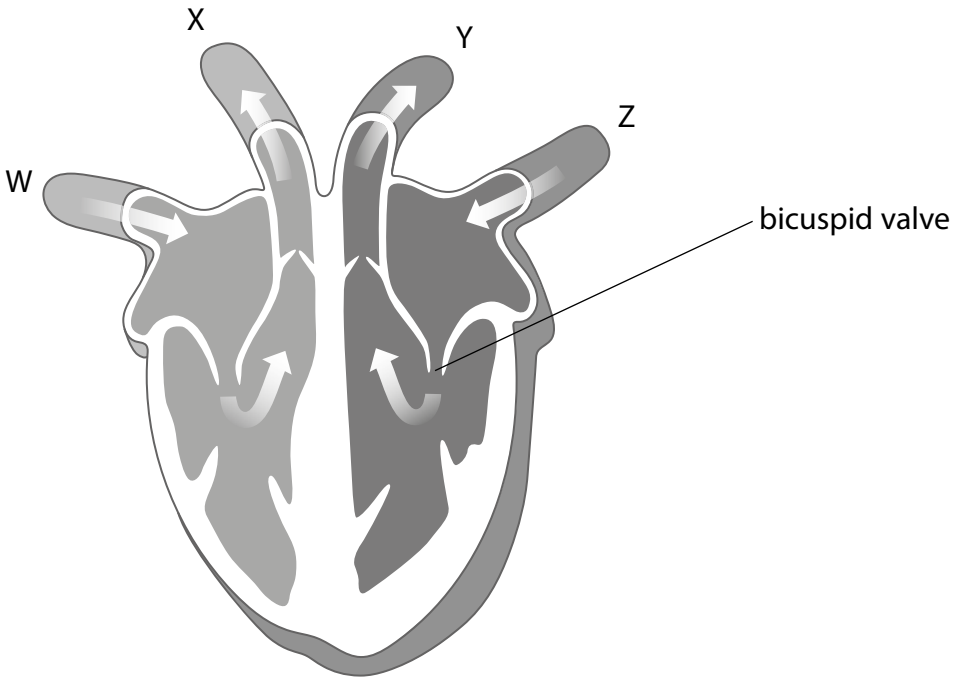


Figure 1

(a) (i) Vessel X takes

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- ☐ **A** deoxygenated blood to the body
- ☐ **B** deoxygenated blood to the lungs
- ☐ **C** oxygenated blood to the body
- ☐ **D** oxygenated blood to the lungs

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(ii) Give one reason why the wall of the left ventricle is thicker than the right.

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Valves in the human heart may become damaged and no longer function.

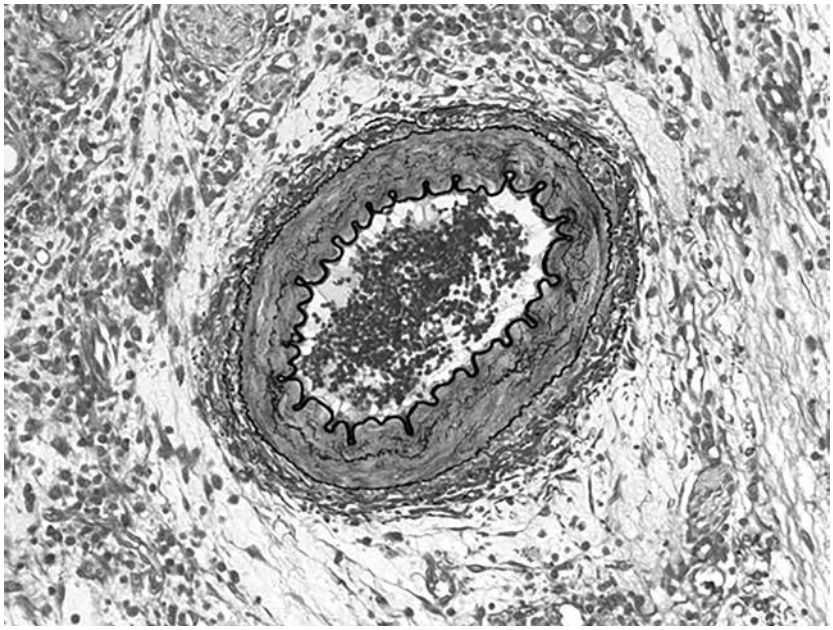
(iii) Describe what would happen to the flow of blood in the left side of the heart if the bicuspid valve did not function effectively.

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Figure 2 shows a photomicrograph of a blood vessel.



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Figure 2

(b) Explain how the structure of this blood vessel is related to its function.

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Figure 3 shows a diagram of the circulatory system of a fish.

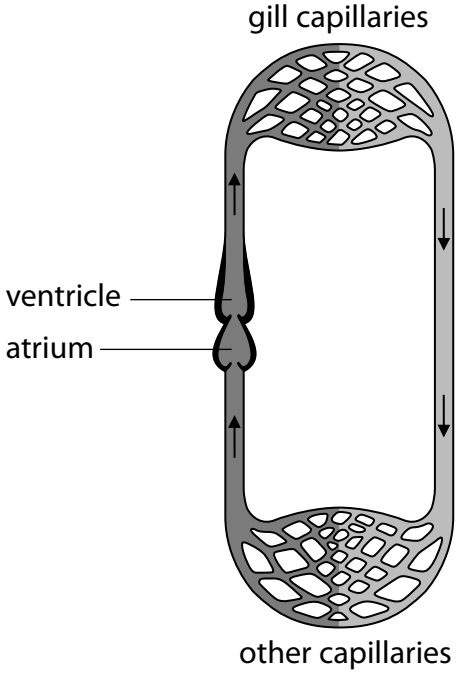


Figure 3

(c) Compare the differences between the structure of the circulatory system of a fish and the human circulatory system.

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2 Blood tests can be used to check a person's blood glucose and hormone levels.

Figure 4 shows the results of two blood tests carried out on three people to check their blood glucose levels. Person 1 is healthy.

	blood glucose level (mmols/l)	
	after fasting for 12 hours	**two hours after drinking 75 g glucose**
person 1	5.4	6.4
person 2	5.6	9.0
person 3	7.8	12.1

Figure 4

(a) (i) Compare the glucose levels of person 1 with the glucose levels of person 2 after fasting for 12 hours.

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(ii) Compare the glucose levels of person 3 with the glucose levels of person 1, two hours after drinking 75 g glucose.

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Person 3 cannot produce the hormone that controls blood glucose levels.

(iii) State the hormone that person 3 cannot produce.

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(b) Figure 5 shows the level of progesterone for a female during five different stages of the menstrual cycle.

days in the menstrual cycle	progesterone level (nmol/l)
1–9	1.85
10–14	1.48
15–17	14.28
18–23	35.27
24–28	17.11

Figure 5

(i) Describe the changes in progesterone levels during the 28-day cycle.

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(ii) Explain why progesterone levels changed following day 14.

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(iii) Use Figure 5 to explain if the female is pregnant.

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3 A scientist investigated the effect of light intensity on the rate of photosynthesis of the aquatic *Cabomba* plant.

A lamp was used as a source of light. The lamp was placed at different distances (*d*) from the *Cabomba* plant, and the number of bubbles produced in 60 seconds was counted.

The number of bubbles produced in 60 seconds was used to calculate the rate of photosynthesis.

The light intensity was then calculated using the inverse square law $\left(\frac{1}{d^2}\right)$.

Figure 6 shows the scientist's results.

distance (*d*) of lamp from *Cabomba* (cm)	light intensity (arbitrary units)	bubbles produced in 60 seconds
5	0.0400	79
10	0.0100	21
15	0.0044	12
20	0.0025	7
25		5
30	0.0011	4

Figure 6

(a) (i) Calculate the light intensity when the lamp is 25 cm from the *Cabomba* plant.

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light intensity = ... arbitrary units

(ii) Use information from Figure 6 to describe the effect of light intensity on the rate of photosynthesis.

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(iii) Give another method of measuring light intensity rather than calculating it.

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(iv) The scientist counted the number of bubbles produced by the *Cabomba* plant.

Another scientist stated that this was not the best method of measuring the volume of gas produced.

Explain how you could improve the method to measure the volume of gas released more accurately.

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(b) Explain what would happen to the levels of gas produced if the light intensity decreased to 0.0001 arbitrary units.

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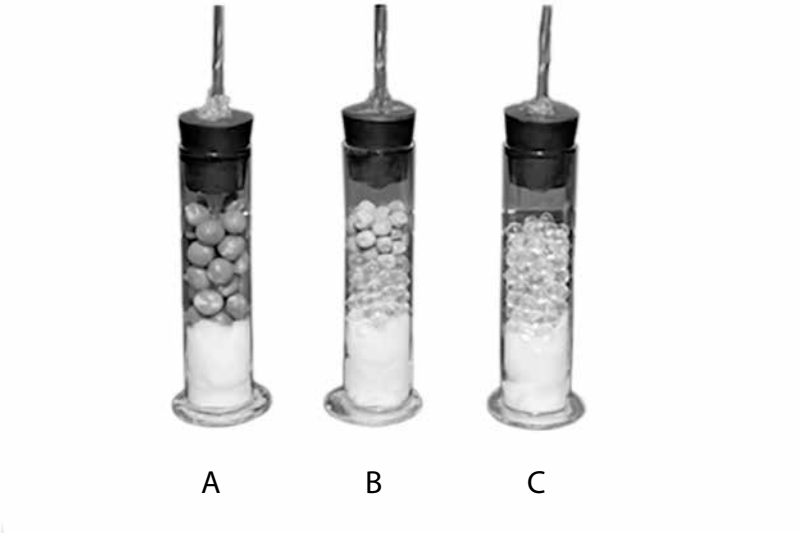
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4 Figure 7 shows the equipment used for measuring respiration in peas.



(Source: Martin Shields/Science Photo Library)

Figure 7

- Respirometer A contains germinating peas.
- Respirometer B contains peas that are not germinating.
- Respirometer C contains glass beads.

All three respirometers are placed in a water bath at 25 °C for 30 minutes.
The reduction in oxygen levels in each respirometer is measured using a data logger.

(a) Explain why the respirometers are placed in a water bath at 25 °C.

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(b) A student recorded the change in oxygen levels in the germinating peas over a 30-minute period.

The results are shown below.

A 10 mins (–0.8) ml, 20 mins (–1.6) ml, 30 mins (–2.4) ml

B 10 mins (–0.1) ml, 20 mins (–0.1) ml, 30 mins (–0.1) ml

C No change

(i) Complete the table for these results.

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(ii) Calculate the rate of oxygen consumption per second for the results in respirometer A.

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(iii) Explain why respirometer A has the highest rate of oxygen consumption.

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(c) Some respirometers read the movement of a bubble along capillary tubing.

Carbon dioxide can affect the measuring of oxygen used in this type of respirometer.

State a chemical that could be placed in the respirometer that would stop carbon dioxide affecting the experiment.

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5 A diabetic athlete is advised to estimate the number of grams of carbohydrate in his meals in order to calculate the number of units of insulin he will need to inject to lower his blood glucose concentration.

Each unit of insulin he injects reduces his blood glucose concentration by 1.5 mmol dm^{-3}.

He needs to inject 1 unit for every 10 grams of carbohydrate he consumes.

Figure 8 shows the estimated carbohydrates in the breakfast eaten by the athlete.

food consumed	estimated carbohydrate /grams
orange juice	25
2 slices brown toast	68
350 grams baked beans	38
tea with sugar	25

Figure 8

(a) (i) Calculate how many units of insulin the athlete would need to inject to control the rise in blood glucose levels.

Give your answer to two significant figures.

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..... units of insulin

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(ii) The athlete miscalculated his carbohydrate intake to be greater than his actual intake.

Explain how the increase in the number of units injected would affect his blood glucose concentrations.

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(b) (i) A patient visits his doctor because he is putting on weight but does not think he is increasing his calorie intake.

The patient has a height of 1.9 m and a body mass of 120 kg.

What is his BMI?

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- ☒ **A** 0.0083
- ☒ **B** 33.2
- ☒ **C** 0.016
- ☒ **D** 66.4

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The doctor diagnosed this person with an underactive thyroid gland.

*(ii) Explain why an underactive thyroid could cause this patient to have an increased body mass.

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6 Tropical fish excrete ammonia, which is an alkali.

The pH level of water in a tropical fish tank needs to be maintained between 6.6 and 7.4 for the fish to survive.

This is the optimum pH range for the bacteria that are responsible for the conversion of ammonia into nitrites and then nitrates.

Nitrosomonas bacteria convert ammonia into nitrites.

Nitrobacter bacteria convert nitrites into nitrates.

(a) (i) *Nitrosomonas* bacteria are an example of

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- ☒ **A** nitrogen fixing bacteria
- ☒ **B** nitrifying bacteria
- ☒ **C** denitrifying bacteria
- ☒ **D** *Helicobacter* bacteria

(ii) Explain why *Nitrosomonas* and *Nitrobacter* bacteria are needed in tropical fish tanks.

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An aquatic plant in the fish tank had a concentration of nitrates higher than the water in the fish tank.

(iii) Explain how this aquatic plant can uptake nitrates from the water in the fish tank.

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Leguminous plants have nodules on their roots that have colonies of nitrogen-fixing bacteria.

Clover is a leguminous plant.

(b) Describe how a quadrat could be used to sample the population of clover in a 500 m^2 field.

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The nitrogen-fixing bacteria provide nitrates for the plants and release any excess into the soil.

(c) Explain how leguminous plants such as clover could be used to reduce the amount of artificial fertilisers.

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