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Mark schemes will use these abbreviations:

; separates marking points

I alternatives

() contents of brackets are not required but should be implied

R reject

A accept (for answers correctly cued by the question, or guidance for examiners)

I ignore (for incorrect but irrelevant responses)

AW alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual)

AVP alternative valid point (where a greater than usual variety of responses is expected)

ORA or reverse argument

<u>underline</u> actual word underlined must be used by candidate (grammatical variants excepted)

max indicates the maximum number of marks that can be given statements on both sides of the + are needed for that mark

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C	Question	Expected Answer	Mark	Additional guidance
1	(a)	(cell) membrane/cytoplasm/nucleus;		
		pulled/moved away from (cell) wall/plasmolysed;		
		vacuole;		
		reduced in size/smaller/AW;	[max. 3]	
	(b)	ref. direction of water potential/concentration gradient/AW;		
		osmosis/diffusion;		
		(movement of) water out of cells;		
		ref. partial permeability AW of (cell) membrane;	[max. 3]	
			[Total: 6]	

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2 (a)	X right ventricle;		
	pulmonary artery ;		
	Y left ventricle;		
	aorta;	[4]	
(b) (i)	line decreases (lowest at capillaries) followed by increase;		
	vein diameter drawn to be higher than artery;	[2]	
(ii)	ref. heart/ventricle + pump/source of pressure;		
	pressure relates to distance from heart/pump;		A arteries take blood from/are close to heart
	resistance/friction;		close to heart
	narrow lumen (in artery);		ORA for vein
	thick/muscular/elastic walls (in artery);		
	generation of tissue fluid in capillaries;	[max. 4]	
(c) (i)	valve;		
	prevents backflow of blood/allows flow in one direction only;	[2]	

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(ii)	muscle(s);		
	contract;		
	put pressure + wall of vein/blood in vein;	[max. 2]	
		[Total: 14]	

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Question	Expected Answer	Mark	Additional guidance
3 (a) (i)	discontinuous;	[1]	
(ii)	no intermediate values/distinct/separate categories;	[1]	
(iii)	(63/100) × 10;		
	6.3 million/6300000/6.3 × 10 ⁶ ;	[2]	award 2 marks for correct answer alone
(b) (i)	4 (%);	[1]	
(ii)	ref. alleles/genes;		
	each person has two (for blood group);		
	different (allele/gene) frequency in different populations;		
	ref. inbreeding (of separate groups) AW;	[max. 2]	A example of inbreeding e.g. geographical isolation/culture
(c)	blood transfusion/tissue (A blood donor)/organ transplant;		A if ref. is to donor or recipient
	clotting with ref. to blood / prevent rejection;		A ORA
	to check paternity;	[max. 2]	
(d)	I ^A I° + I ^B I°;		
	A + B;	[2]	
		[Total: 11]	

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4 (a) (i)	11/12 <u>day(s)</u> ;		A 11 th or 12 th day
	13/14 <u>day(s)</u> ;	[2]	
(ii)	day 14;	[1]	
(iii)	progesterone (concentration) falls/not maintained;		
	ref. figure day 24 – 28 ;		
	progesterone needed to maintain lining/pregnancy;	[max. 2]	
(b)	FSH;	[1]	
	development of follicle/maturation/release of egg/ovum; stimulates production of oestrogen;	[max. 1]	
	oestrogen;	[1]	A oestradiol for oestrogen
	repairs/builds up/thickens/develops uterus lining; maturation of egg/ovum;		throughout
	inhibits production of FSH; stimulates production of LH;	[max. 1]	
	LH;	[1]	
	ovulation/release of egg/ovum;	[1]	
		[max. 4]	
		[Total: 9]	

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5 (a)	<pre>wilting: root hairs removed/roots damaged; stem/xylem damaged;</pre>		
	less water absorbed ;		R no water absorbed
	plant loses water/transpires; cells lose water/cells become flaccid;		allow max.3 marks for <i>wilting</i> answers
	recovery: root (hairs) regrow; (more) water absorbed;		
	cells gain water again/become turgid;	[max. 4]	
(b)	carbon dioxide + water \rightarrow oxygen;	[1]	accept words or chemical formulae or a correctly balanced symbol equation I light/chlorophyll
(c) (i)	P = (lower) epidermal cell/epidermis/epidermal layer;		
	Q = guard cell;		
	R = stoma/stomata;	[3]	
(ii)	fewer/no stomata/guard cells;		
	reduce/stop water loss/transpiration;		
	(appears) shiny/bright/ref. to cuticle;	[max. 2]	
		[Total: 10]	

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6 (a)	molecules large + must be converted to smaller;		
	insoluble + need to be converted to soluble / non-diffusible to diffusible AW;		
	to be <u>absorbed</u> ;		
	from (small) intestine/ileum;		A across intestine wall/into villi
	into blood/capillaries/lymph/lacteals;	[max. 3]	
(b)	bile from + liver/gall bladder/bile duct;		
	ref. emulsification;		
	increased surface area;		
	ref. provision of optimum pH/alkaline conditions;		
	small intestine/duodenum;		
	lipase;		
	from pancreas;		
	fatty acids;		
	glycerol;	[max. 7]	
		[Total: 10]	

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7 (a)	<u>ciliary muscles</u> ;		
	relax;		
	suspensory ligaments;		
	tighten/become taut/pulled AW;		
	increased tension/pull on lens;		
	lens long + thin/flatter/less fat/convex;		
	light refracted/bent (by lens);		R bent more
	(light) converges/(produces image) on retina/fovea;	[max. 6]	
(b)	nervous system quicker AW/hormones slower;		
	example of relevant situation;		
	electrical/impulses;		
	via neurones/nerve cells;		
	hormones are chemical;		
	carried/transported via blood;	[max. 4]	
		[Total: 10]	

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8	1	red blood cells + transport/absorb/carry oxygen AW;		A any three components named for 1 mark max. if no marks
	2	no nucleus/biconcave/'doughnut' shape AW + increased surface area;		awarded for lack of accompanying explanations
	3	(oxy)haemoglobin;		
	4	ref. (oxygen) diffusion into tissues/red blood cells;		
	5	white blood cells/named + immunity/immune system/destroy pathogens/bacteria/viruses/named pathogen;		I germs/foreign bodies
	6	phagocytes/phagocytosis;		
	7	antibodies/anti-toxins;		
	8	ref. tissue rejection;		
	9	plasma + transport/carry;		
	10	dissolved/in solution;		
	11	two named chemicals transported;		A urea, CO ₂ , vitamins, etc.
	12	heat transported;		
	13	platelets + blood clotting/plug hole;		
	14	fibrinogen + to fibrin;	[max 10]	
			[Total: 10]	

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9 (a)	removal from organism/body;		
	toxic/poisonous;		
	waste (products);		
	from metabolism ;	[max. 3]	
(b)	1 <u>blood</u> from patient to machine/returned to patient;		
	2 using partially permeable membrane/tubes AW;		
	3 ref. dialysis fluid ;		
	4 ref. relative concentrations AW;		
	5 filters/removes substances from + blood/unwanted out/wanted in;		
	6 by <u>diffusion</u> ;		
	7 urea/nitrogenous products/toxins/poisons;		
	8 salt(s)/ions/small molecules;		
	9 excess water/ref. osmoregulation;		
	10 large molecules / proteins stay in blood;		
	11 practical aspect e.g. bubble trap/repetition/frequency/duration of procedure/dialysis fluid frequently changed/temperature ref/counter flow;	[max. 7]	
		[Total: 10]	