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BIOLOGY

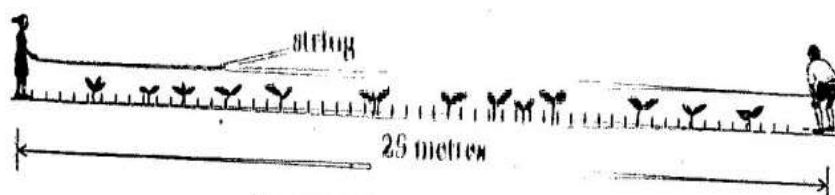
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Time Allowed: 2 hours

PAPER I (100 Marks)

1.(a) Figure 1 is a diagram showing one of the methods of sampling organisms



i) Name the method used.

(1mark)

ii) What are the two features that are determined by the methods above.

(2marks)

(b) Explain how the following assist in respiratory system.

(i) Moist surface

(2marks)

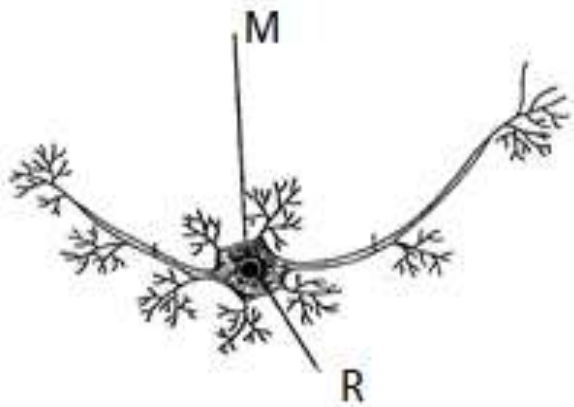
(ii) Thin surface

(2marks)

(ii) Network of blood capillaries

(2marks)

2a. Figure 2 is a diagram showing a neurone. Use it to answer the questions that follow



(i) Name the part labeled R _____

(1mark)

(ii) Give any one function of Part labeled M _____

(1mark)

b) Explain any three causes of goiter

_____ (2marks)

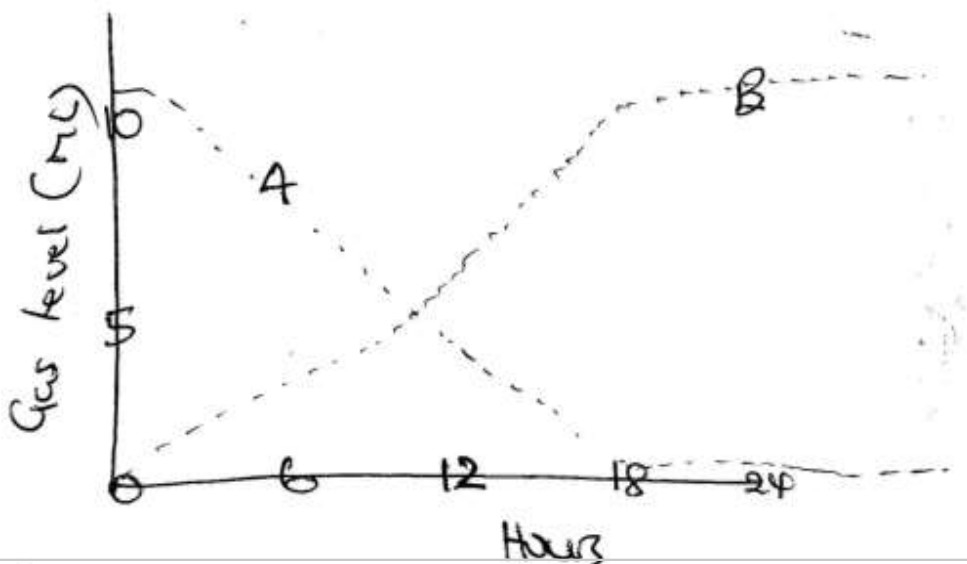
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3a. Explain why a male organism with a recessive sex-linked trait usually produce no female offspring with the trait?

_____ (2marks)

b) Yeast cells and sucrose were placed into a test tube , then the tube was plugged, the yeast – sucrose mixture incubated for 24 hours. Gas bubbles began to rise to the top of the tube .After 24 hours no sucrose was left in the solution shown graphically below.



i. What process was Yeast using to digest the sucrose

(ii) Identify gas A _____ (1 mark)

(iii) Why do muscles become tired after running or lifting heavy objects

_____ (1 mark)

(iv) How do you overcome the problem in 3(iii)

_____ (1 mark)

4(a) State any two aims of treating cholera in a patient

_____ (2 marks)

(b) Study the equation below



(I) In what organism does this chemical process take place

_____ (1 mark)

(ii) Complete part labeled X

_____ (1 Mark)

5a. Both carriers of Albinism of different sex married to each other. Come up with the crossing and answer the question below

(ii) What is the ratio of normal child in the crossing

_____ (1 marks)

5 b.(I)Define serum

_____(1mark)

(ii)State one of the uses of fibrinogen

_____(1mark)

c. State two effects of global warming on the environment

_____(2
marks)

6a(i)Name two group of vertebrates animals that have loop of Hence

_____(2
marks)

(ii)Why do kidneys undergo a process of selective reabsorption

_____(1 marks)

(iii)What is the effect of aldosterone in osmoregulation

_____(1 mark)

B. Why is it unhealthy to sit in a traffic jam with the windows open

_____(1 mark)

(ii)Which part of mitochondria help to increase the surface area for respiration

_____(1 mark)

7 a. Define each of the following terms

(ii) Uremia

_____(1
marks)

(ii)Blood typing

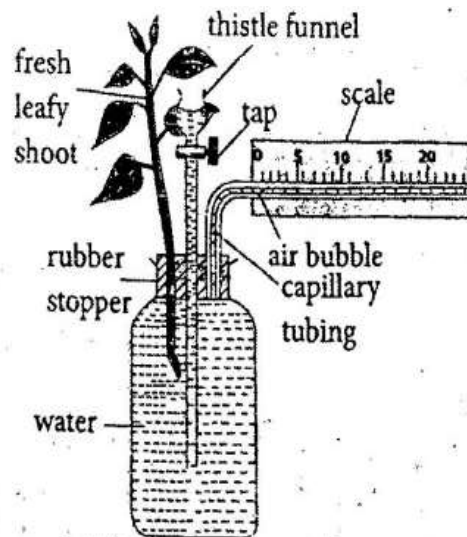
_____ (1 mark)

b. What is the difference between reduction reaction and condensation reaction in photosynthesis

_____ (2

marks)

C. A student set up an experiment show below using a freshly obtained leafy shoot. The shoot was cut and mounted on the capillary tube under water.



(a) Suggest a possible aim of this experiment

_____ (1 mark)

(b) Explain why the leafy plant was cut and mounted under water

_____ (1 mark)

(iii) Give the name for the apparatus used in the above experiment

_____ (1 mark)

(iv) State two of the environment factors that would influence the movement of the air bubble along the scale.

_____ (2 marks)

8a. State the effects of the following in Nitrogen cycle

(i) Lightning _____

(1 mark)

(ii) Symbiotic bacteria _____

(1 marks)

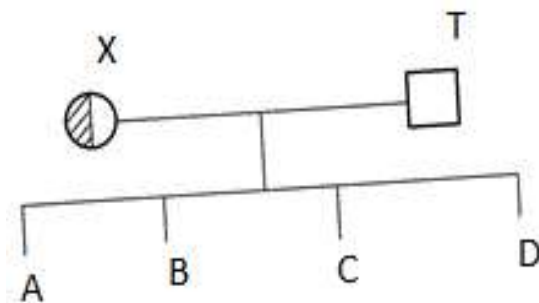
b. Why is sodium pump Mechanism significant in transmission of impulse

(1 mark)

c. Explain two changes that occur in the plant cell during plasmolysis

(2 marks)

9a. Complete the following pedigree showing inheritance of haemophilic in the royal family



What do X _____ and T represent?

X _____

T _____ (2 mark)

b. Complete the outcomes at

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

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D. _____ (4 marks)

C. Why are pedigree used

_____ (1 mark)

10a. Mwachilinda and Mangazi as students of Temwamukonda Private Secondary School mixed four table spoons of sugar in 1 litre of water and the same four table spoons of sugar in 20ml of water respectively .

In whose mixture

(i) Had the osmotic potential high

_____ (1 mark)

(II) Had the osmotic potential low

_____ (1 mark)

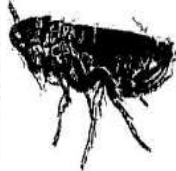
(iii) Explain the reasons in 10 (i) and (ii)

_____ (2 marks)

5b. The figures below represent some animals. Use the dichotomous key to identify organisms



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____(10 marks)

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_____ (10 marks)

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