

**Paper Reference(s) 4BI1/2B**  
**Pearson Edexcel International GCSE (9–1)**

**Biology**  
**UNIT: 4BI1**  
**PAPER: 2B**

<b>Total Marks</b>
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**Time: 1 hour 15 minutes**

**In the boxes below, write your name, centre number and candidate number.**

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**YOU MUST HAVE**

**Calculator, ruler**

**YOU WILL BE GIVEN**

**Source Booklet**

**Diagram Booklet**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

**Answer ALL questions.**

**Answer the questions in the spaces provided or in the separate Diagram Booklet – there may be more space than you need.**

**Show all the steps in any calculations and state the units.**

**INFORMATION**

**The total mark for this paper is 70.**

**The marks for EACH question are shown in brackets – use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.**

**There may be spare copies of some diagrams.**

**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.**

**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 Read the passage in the Source Booklet. Use the information in the passage and your own knowledge to answer the questions that follow.**

**(a) (i) Carbon dioxide is a greenhouse gas.**

**State the name of another greenhouse gas  
(lines 10 and 11).  
(1 mark)**

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**1 continued.**

- (ii) Calculate the increase in mass, in kg, of atmospheric carbon dioxide in 2020 (lines 2 to 10).**

**Give your answer in standard form.  
(3 marks)**

**[1 gigatonne = 1 000 000 000 000 kg]**

**Increase in mass = \_\_\_\_\_ kg**

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(iii) State two consequences of global warming for the environment.  
(2 marks)

1 \_\_\_\_\_  
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2 \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**1 continued.**

**(c) Which enzyme is used to remove a gene from a section of DNA?**

**(1 mark)**

**A amylase**

**B ligase**

**C lipase**

**D restriction**

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**1 continued.**

**(e) Give three reasons why the scientists use micropropagation to reproduce the transgenic crop plants (lines 35 to 37).  
(3 marks)**

**1** \_\_\_\_\_

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**2** \_\_\_\_\_

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**3** \_\_\_\_\_

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**(Total for Question 1 = 16 marks)**

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**2 A student uses this method to investigate the nitrogen cycle.**

- **take two samples of soil, each of mass 100 g**
- **sterilise one sample of soil by heating at 100 °C for one hour**
- **place the sterilised and unsterilised samples into separate filter funnels**
- **pour 25 cm<sup>3</sup> of water through each soil sample and collect the filtrate in a test tube**
- **test each filtrate for nitrates**
- **pour water through each soil sample for 5 minutes**
- **pour another 25 cm<sup>3</sup> of water through each soil sample and collect the filtrate in a test tube**
- **test each filtrate for nitrates**
- **add 1 cm<sup>3</sup> of a solution of ammonium salts to each soil and leave for three days**
- **pour 25 cm<sup>3</sup> of water through each soil sample again and collect the filtrate in a test tube**
- **test each filtrate for nitrates**

**Look at the diagram for Question 2 in the Diagram Booklet. It shows the student's apparatus.**

**Look at the table for Question 2 in the Diagram Booklet. It shows the student's results.**

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**(a) Give the independent variable in the investigation.  
(1 mark)**

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- (b) (i) Suggest why the student poured water through the soil samples for five minutes before adding the ammonium salts.  
(2 marks)**

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- 3 Look at the diagram for Question 3 in the Diagram Booklet. It shows a single-celled organism called **Chlorella** that lives in fresh water.

**Chlorella** has a chloroplast and can photosynthesise.

- (a) (i) Which of these groups of organisms contains **Chlorella**?  
(1 mark)

- A animals
- B bacteria
- C plants
- D protoctists

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**(ii) Which of these labelled structures would also be present in an animal cell?**

**(1 mark)**

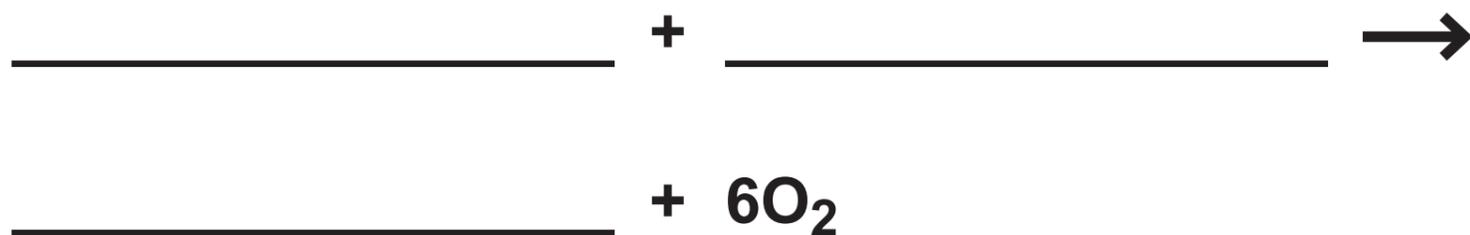
- A cell membrane and chloroplast**
- B cell membrane and mitochondrion**
- C cell wall and chloroplast**
- D cell wall and mitochondrion**

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(b) Complete the balanced chemical symbol equation for photosynthesis.

(2 marks)



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**(c) Look at the graph for Question 3(c) in the Diagram Booklet. It shows the effect of light intensity on gas exchange by *Chlorella*.**

**(i) Explain why *Chlorella* takes in oxygen at light intensities below 10 arbitrary units.  
(2 marks)**

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**(iii) The volume of oxygen released by *Chlorella* is the difference between the oxygen produced by photosynthesis and the oxygen taken in.**

**Use the graph to calculate the volume of oxygen produced in five minutes by photosynthesis at a light intensity of 45 arbitrary units.**

**(2 marks)**

**volume of oxygen = \_\_\_\_\_ mm<sup>3</sup>**

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**4 Look at the diagram for Question 4(a) in the Diagram Booklet. It shows part of the human urinary system.**

**(a) Name the structures labelled A and B.  
(2 marks)**

**A** \_\_\_\_\_

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**B** \_\_\_\_\_

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**(b) Look at the diagram for Question 4(b) in the Diagram Booklet. It shows a kidney nephron.**

**Look at the table for Question 4(b) in the Diagram Booklet. It shows the relative concentrations of glucose and protein in the areas labelled X, Y and Z on the diagram.**

**(i) Explain the difference between the concentration of protein in area X and the concentration of protein in area Y.  
(2 marks)**

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**5 Pineapple juice contains a protease called bromelain.**

**A student uses this method to investigate the digestion of solid gelatine protein by bromelain.**

- **place solid gelatine protein into a test tube up to a height of 5 cm**
- **mix 5 cm<sup>3</sup> pineapple juice with 1 cm<sup>3</sup> of pH 4 buffer**
- **place 1 cm<sup>3</sup> of the pineapple juice and buffer solution on top of the gelatine**
- **leave for one hour in a water bath set to 37 °C**
- **measure the height of the solid gelatine and use it to calculate the volume of gelatine that has been digested**

**Repeat the method three more times.**

**Look at the diagram for Question 5 in the Diagram Booklet. It shows part of the student's method.**

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**(a) Look at the table for Question 5(a) in the Diagram Booklet. It shows the student's results for the volumes of gelatine digested at pH 4.**

**(i) Calculate the mean volume of gelatine digested in  $\text{cm}^3$ .**

**Give your answer to two decimal places.  
(3 marks)**

**mean volume = \_\_\_\_\_  $\text{cm}^3$**

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- (ii) State what substances are produced when the gelatine protein is digested.  
(1 mark)**

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**(b) The student repeats the investigation with different pH buffers.**

**Look at the table for Question 5(b) in the Diagram Booklet. It shows their results.**

**(i) Give two variables the student should control.  
(2 marks)**

**1** \_\_\_\_\_

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**(c) Describe how to test for the presence of protein.  
(2 marks)**

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**(b) A new treatment for beta thalassaemia has been developed that edits the haemoglobin gene. These are the steps in the treatment.**

- **remove blood stem cells from a patient's bone marrow**
- **put a strand of RNA and an enzyme into the blood stem cells to correct the haemoglobin gene**
- **use drugs to destroy the patient's remaining bone marrow cells**
- **replace the patient's bone marrow cells with the modified stem cells**

**The modified stem cells that are in the bone marrow now produce red blood cells containing sufficient haemoglobin.**

**(i) The strand of RNA used in this treatment is complementary to one strand of the DNA in the haemoglobin gene.**

**Look at the table for Question 6(b)(i) in the Diagram Booklet. Complete the table to give the base sequence of RNA that is complementary to this sequence of DNA.  
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**(iii) The standard treatment for beta thalassaemia is a weekly blood transfusion.**

**The new treatment has so far been tested on two patients, with these results.**

- both patients started making large numbers of red blood cells with sufficient haemoglobin**
- both patients experienced serious side effects from the drugs used, needing to spend several months in isolation in hospital before recovering**
- 15 months after the treatment, neither patient required further blood transfusions**
- both patients were able to exercise normally without feeling tired**

**Evaluate the use of the new treatment compared to weekly blood transfusions.  
(4 marks)**

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**(Total for Question 6 = 12 marks)**

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