

# GCSE

BIOLOGY

AQA - COMBINED SCIENCE

MARK SCHEME

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B4

PHOTOSYNTHESIS & RESPIRATION

TEST 3

## Mark schemes

- 1** (a) carbon dioxide + water → (glucose) + oxygen  
*allow reactants in either order*  
*allow correct formulae, balancing not required* 1
- (b) chlorophyll 1
- (c) glucose (produced in photosynthesis) is converted into starch 1
- (d) starch could be broken down (into sugar) 1
- (e) so the colour of the iodine solution / result can be seen 1
- (f) any **one** from:
- turn off Bunsen / flame before collecting ethanol
  - use a water bath to heat the ethanol  
*allow idea that there are no naked flames near the ethanol* 1
- (g) **A** orange / brown 1
- B** black / blue-black 1
- [8]**
- 2** (a) light is trapped / absorbed / used  
*extra answers cancel mark*  
*ignore solar / sunshine* 1
- by chlorophyll / chloroplasts  
*if no other marks awarded, allow 1 mark for photosynthesis / equation for photosynthesis* 1
- (b) (to make) starch (for storage)  
*ignore 'for growth' unqualified*  
*ignore respiration* 1
- (to make) fat / oil (for storage) 1
- (to make) amino acids / proteins / enzymes 1

(to make) cellulose / cell walls

*allow for active transport*

*allow any other correct, named organic substances (eg DNA / ATP / chlorophyll / hormone)*

*if no named examples, allow 'to make **named** cell structures' for max. 1 mark*

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(a) 5624

**allow 2 marks** for:

- *correct HR = 148 **and** correct SV = 38 plus wrong answer / no answer*

**or**

- *only one value correct **and** ecf for answer*

**allow 1 mark** for:

- *incorrect values **and** ecf for answer*

**or**

- *only one value correct*

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(b) (i) **Person 2** has low(er) stroke volume / SV / described  
*eg **Person 2** pumps out smaller volume each beat*  
*do **not** allow **Person 2** has lower heart rate*

1

(ii) **Person 1** sends more blood (to muscles / body / lungs)

1

(which) supplies (more) oxygen

1

(and) supplies (more) glucose

1

(faster rate of) respiration **or** transfers (more) energy for use

*ignore aerobic / anaerobic*

*allow (more) energy release*

*allow aerobic respiration transfers / releases more energy (than anaerobic)*

*do **not** allow makes (more) energy*

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removes (more) CO<sub>2</sub> / lactic acid / heat

*allow less oxygen debt*

**or** less lactic acid made

**or** (more) muscle contraction / less muscle fatigue

*if no other mark awarded,*

*allow person 1 is fitter (than person 2) for max 1 mark*

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(a) water + carbon dioxide → oxygen + glucose

*extra box ticked negates mark*

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(b) **Level 3 (5–6 marks):**

A coherent method is described with relevant detail, which demonstrates a broad understanding of the relevant techniques and procedures. The steps in the method are logically ordered. The method would lead to the production of valid results.

**Level 2 (3–4 marks):**

The bulk of the method is described with mostly relevant detail, which demonstrates a reasonable understanding of the relevant scientific techniques and procedures. The method may not be in a completely logical order and may be missing some detail.

**Level 1 (1–2 marks):**

Simple statements are made which demonstrate some understanding of some of the relevant scientific techniques and procedures. The response may lack a logical structure and would not lead to the production of valid results.

**0 marks:**

No relevant content

**Indicative content**

- description of how the apparatus would be used
- reference to control intensity of light / brightness
- use of ruler to measure distance of light from beaker / pondweed
- reference to varying colour of light or use of different filters
- plant releases gas / oxygen
- measure number of bubbles / volume of gas produced
- same length of time
- reference to control of temperature
- reference to control / supply of carbon dioxide in water
- do repeats and calculate a mean

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(c) rate does not increase further if light intensity increased beyond 20

*allow graph levels off after 20*

1

(d) any **one** from:

- temperature
- carbon dioxide (concentration)
- amount of chlorophyll

*allow number of chloroplasts*

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(a) anaerobic respiration

*allow phonetic spelling*

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(b) (i) 4.4

*4.2, 4.3, 4.5 or 4.6 with figures in tolerance (6.7 to 6.9 and 2.3 to 2.5) and correct working gains 2 marks*

*4.2, 4.3, 4.5 or 4.6 with no working shown or correct working with one reading out of tolerance gains 1 mark*

*correct readings from graph in the ranges of 6.7 to 6.9 **and** 2.3 to 2.5 but no answer / wrong answer gains 1 mark*

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(ii) more energy is needed / used / released

*do **not** allow energy production*

(at 14 km per hour)

*ignore work*

1

not enough oxygen (can be taken in / can be supplied to muscles)

*allow reference to oxygen debt*

*do **not** allow less / no oxygen*

1

so more anaerobic respiration (to supply the extra energy) **or** more glucose changed to lactic acid

*allow not enough aerobic respiration*

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(a) (i) chloroplast

1

(ii) cell wall

1

(b) (i) osmosis

*accept diffusion*

1

(ii) cell wall (prevents bursting)

1

- (c) (i) carbon dioxide  
*allow correct formula* 1
- glucose  
*allow sugar / starch* 1
- (ii) any **two** from:
- light sensitive spot detects light
  - tells flagellum to move towards light
  - more light = more photosynthesis
- 2
- (d) (cell has) larger SA:volume ratio 1
- short (diffusion) distance  
*allow correct description* 1
- (diffusion) via cell membrane is sufficient / good enough
- or**
- flow of water maintains concentration gradient 1
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- 7** (a) (i) 50 1
- (ii) 4  
*accept 3.9 – 4.0* 1
- (b) (i) glucose 1
- oxygen 1
- (ii) to release more energy 1

(c) correct readings from graph:

$$a = 120$$

$$b = 60$$

*allow 60 - 61*

1

calculation correct for candidate's figures:

$$\text{e.g. } a - b = 60$$

1

level of fitness correct for candidate's figures:

e.g. very fit

1

(d) any **four** from:

- higher heart rate (at 16 km / h) (so takes longer to slow to normal)
- more energy needed
- not enough O<sub>2</sub> supplied / more O<sub>2</sub> needed / reference to O<sub>2</sub>-debt
- (more) anaerobic respiration
- (more) lactic acid made / to be broken down / to remove / to oxidise
- higher blood flow needed to deliver (the required amount of) oxygen.

*'more' must be given at least once for full marks*

*do not allow more energy produced*

*allow higher blood flow to remove lactic acid / remove (additional) CO<sub>2</sub>*

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(a) LHS = water

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RHS = glucose

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(b) any **three** from:

- (measure) temperature
- to check that the temperature isn't changing
- rate of reaction changes with temperature
- temperature is a variable that needs to be controlled

*allow lamp gives out heat*

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(c) (i) 10

*correct answer = 2 marks*

*allow 1 mark for:  $\frac{(10+9+11)}{3}$*

*allow 1 mark for correct calculation without removal of anomalous result ie 15*

2

(ii) graph:

*allow ecf from (c)(i)*

label on y-axis as 'number of bubbles per minute'

1

**three** points correct = 1 mark

*allow  $\pm 1$  mm*

**four** points correct = 2 marks

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line of best fit = smooth curve

1

(iii) as distance increases, rate decreases – pro

*allow yes between 20 – 40*

1

but should be a straight line / but line curves – con / not quite pro

*allow not between 10 – 20*

*if line of best fit is straight line, allow idea of poor fit*

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(d) any **four** from:

- make more profit / cost effective
- raising temp. to 25 °C makes very little difference at 0.03% CO<sub>2</sub>
- (at 20 °C) with CO<sub>2</sub> at 0.1%, raises rate
- (at 20 °C with CO<sub>2</sub> at 0.1%) → >3x rate / rises from 5 to 17
- although 25 °C → higher rate, cost of heating not economical
- extra light does not increase rate / already max. rate with daylight

*accept ref to profits c.f. costs must be favourable*

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