Practice Question Set For GCSE
Subject : Biology
Paper-1 Topic: B1 Cell Biology

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Name of the Student:_____
Max. Marks : 20 Marks **Time : 20 Minutes**

Mark Schemes

Q1.

(a) diffusion

1

active transport

1

this order only

(b) (i) concentration (of sugar) in the bag was higher (than in the drink)

allow concentration (of sugar) in the drink was lower (than in the bag)

or

higher concentration of water outside the bag **or** in the drink / boiling tube

*allow higher water potential outside the bag **or** lower water potential inside the bag*

1

(so) water moved in (to the tubing)

*allow water moves down **its** concentration gradient*

*do **not** allow sugar moving*

1

by osmosis

allow diffusion (of water)

*do **not** allow sugar moving by osmosis **or** water moving by active transport*

1

(ii) **B**

1

(iii) close(st) to the concentration in the bag **or** to 5%

*allow small(est) diffusion gradient **or** close(st) to an equilibrium*

1

(so rate of) diffusion / osmosis is slow

allow (so) less water moves in (to the bag)

ignore ref. to sugar

1

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Q2.

(a)

	Mitosis only	Meiosis only	Both mitosis and meiosis
How cells are replaced	✓		
How gametes are made		✓	
How a fertilised egg undergoes cell division	✓		
How copies of the genetic information are made			✓
How genetically identical cells are produced	✓		

if more than one tick per row then no mark

ignore first row

1
1
1
1

(b) (i) (adult) bone marrow

accept (umbilical) cord blood, skin, amniotic fluid / membrane

1

(ii) cells will not be rejected by the patient's body (if they have been produced by therapeutic cloning)

allow easier to obtain linked to embryo stem cells

or

(embryo stem cells) can develop into many different types of cells

allow doesn't need an operation linked to bone marrow

or

(embryo stem cells) not yet differentiated / specialised or undifferentiated

accept embryo cells are pluripotent

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Q3.

Marks awarded for this answer will be determined by the Quality of Written Communication (QWC) as well as the standard of the scientific response.

Level 3 (5–6 marks):
Processes used for obtaining specified materials are given.
and
correctly linked to the vessels that the materials are transported in
or
correctly linked to a description of the direction of movement of the materials.
For full credit, in addition to the above descriptors at least **one** of the processes must be linked to the vessel that the material is transported in **and** the direction of the movement of the material.

Level 2 (3–4 marks):
At least **one** process for obtaining a specified material is given
and
is correctly linked to the vessel that the material is transported in
or
correctly linked to a description of the direction of movement of the material

Level 1 (1–2 marks):
At least **one** process (P) for obtaining a material is given
or
at least **one** vessel (V) and the material it carries is given
or
there is a description of the direction of movement (M) for at least **one** material

0 marks:
No relevant points are made

examples of points made in the response Ions:
(P) taken up by diffusion or active transport
- from an area of high to low concentration (diffusion) **or** an area of low to high concentration (active transport)
  (V) travels in the xylem
  (M) to the leaves **or** from the roots / soil

Water:
(P) taken up by osmosis
- from an area of low to high concentration
  allow high concentration of water to low concentration of water
  allow from high water potential to low water potential
  ignore along a concentration gradient
  (V) travels in the xylem
  (M) to the leaves **or** from the roots / soil
  (P) transpiration stream
- movement replaces water as it evaporates from leaves
  (V) in the xylem

Sugar:
(P) made during photosynthesis
(V) travels in the phloem
(M) to other parts of the plant **or** to storage organs **or** travels up and down

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