



# Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

*Scéimeanna Marcála*

*Scrúduithe Ardteistiméireachta, 2005*

*Bitheolaíocht*

*Gnáthleibhéal*

*Marking Scheme*

*Leaving Certificate Examination, 2005*

*Biology*

*Ordinary level*

**Leaving Certificate Biology  
Ordinary Level  
Marking Scheme**

**Section A.**

Any **five** questions from this section. Each question carries 20 marks.

1. any four – 2(7) + 2(3)

- (a) Biosphere – (part of earth) where life exists
- (b) Habitat – (part of environment) where organisms / plants / animals live
- (c) Consumer – organism that consumes another organism / heterotroph / end of food chain
- (d) Producer – organism producing food (organic material)/ autotroph / bottom of food chain
- (e) Niche – position of an organism in its ecosystem / functional role of organism

2. **5 + 5 (3)**

Structure	Cytoplasm	Cell Wall	Chloroplast	Nucleus	Vacuole
Animal Cell				✓	✓
Plant Cell		✓	✓	✓	✓

**N.B.** One wrong cancels one right for Cell Wall and Chloroplast.

3. **7 answers** 2(5) + 5(2)

- (a) A = Anther                      B = Filament
- (b) A
- (c) carpel / stigma / female / ovary / style / ovule
- (d) Transfer of pollen from one flower / plant to another
- (e) Wind / animal / named animal any two

4. **5 answers** 2(7) + 3(2)

- (a) A = chromosome (chromatid)    B = spindle (fibre) / thread / cord
- (b) Chromosomes (chromatids) being pulled apart (going to opposite ends of cell)/anaphase
- (c) 2
- (d) Reproduction / growth / multiply

5. **10 answers** 2(6) + 8(1)

	Carbohydrate	Protein	Fat
Oxygen	<b>Done</b>	✓	✓
Nitrogen	<b>Done</b>	✓	<b>X</b>
Hydrogen	✓	✓	✓
Carbon	✓	✓	✓

6. **10 answers** 2(6) + 8(1)

- (a) (i) A = contractile/ vacuole    B = cytoplasm / endoplasm  
C = pseudopod / false foot      D = nucleus / organelle
- (ii) Protista / Protoctista
- (b) (i) A = flagellum                      B = DNA /chromosome/ nucleoid) **not nucleus**  
C = cell wall / Membrane          D = capsule (slime layer)
- (ii) Monera (Prokaryotae)

## Section B

Answer any two questions from this section.

Each question carries 30 marks.

- |    |     |       |                                                                                                                                                              |         |
|----|-----|-------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 7. | (a) | (i)   | Movement or diffusion of water                                                                                                                               | 3       |
|    |     | (ii)  | Allows some molecules through/Visking tubing / cell membrane                                                                                                 | 3       |
|    | (b) | (i)   | Diagram (minimum = 2 solutions & membrane)                                                                                                                   | 6, 3, 0 |
|    |     |       | Label - (title may be considered a label)                                                                                                                    | 3       |
|    |     | (ii)  | water / water plus solute / membrane or tissue / observe or result / time<br><b>(If 'set up as above' – then diagram must be fully labelled accordingly)</b> | 4(3)    |
|    |     | (iii) | tissue or membrane swollen / water movement                                                                                                                  | 3       |
|    |     |       |                                                                                                                                                              |         |
| 8. | (a) | (i)   | organic/ biological/ protein catalyst                                                                                                                        | 3       |
|    |     | (ii)  | fits (substrate)/ active site / folded /can change shape                                                                                                     | 3       |
|    | (b) | (i)   | name of enzyme <b>} matching</b>                                                                                                                             | 3       |
|    |     | (ii)  | name of substrate                                                                                                                                            | 3       |
|    |     | (iii) | Diagram (minimum = beaker, solution, temp. reference)                                                                                                        | 6, 3, 0 |
|    |     |       | Label – (title may be considered a label)                                                                                                                    | 3       |
|    |     | (iv)  | no more product/colour change / no more bubbles / no more foam                                                                                               | 3       |
|    |     | (v)   | water bath/different temperature treatments / Bunsen / thermostat                                                                                            | 3       |
|    |     | (vi)  | graph (horizontal line or multi-peaked graph not acceptable)                                                                                                 | 3       |
|    |     |       |                                                                                                                                                              |         |
| 9. | (a) | (i)   | growth/sprouting                                                                                                                                             | 3       |
|    |     | (ii)  | chemical (enzyme) reactions/ dissolve stored food/swell testa / a condition of germination                                                                   | 3       |
|    | (b) | (i)   | Diagram (minimum = test tube, seeds, variable)                                                                                                               | 6, 3, 0 |
|    |     |       | Control                                                                                                                                                      | 3       |
|    |     |       | Label – (title may be considered a label)                                                                                                                    | 3       |
|    |     | (ii)  | presence of variable / absence of variable                                                                                                                   | 2(3)    |
|    |     | (iii) | results of experiment                                                                                                                                        | 3       |
|    |     |       | results of controls                                                                                                                                          | 3       |

## Section C

Answer any **four** questions from this section.

Each question carries 60 marks.

- 10.** (a) (i) organisms and their (non-living) environment **3**
- (ii) any 2 named ecosystems (e.g. sea-shore / hedgerow / forest / grassland / lake / terrestrial / land/ aquatic **2(3)**
- (b) (i) A = Diving beetle      B = Water mite      C = *Hydra*      D = Pond snail  
E = Nematode      F = Planarian      G = Leech **7(3)**  
**(NB – Check exam book for answers)**
- (c) (i) an undesirable change in the environment **6**
- (ii) any valid activity **6**  
prevention **3**
- (iii) conservation – protection / preservation /management of the environment **6**
- (iv) food source/ balance of nature/ biodiversity/ prevention of extinction/ health of planet/  
aesthetic / recreational /O<sub>2</sub> / CO<sub>2</sub> (not “for clothes”) any three **3(3)**
- 11.** (a) (i) C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub> + (6)O<sub>2</sub>      (or words) **2(3)**
- (ii) chloroplast **3**
- (b) (i) hydrogen (proton) /oxygen/ electron or energy or ATP **3(3)**
- (ii) Hydrogen /protons (released into pool & combine with CO<sub>2</sub>) to form glucose) /  
oxygen used in respiration OR released / electrons are passed to chlorophyll/ **3(3)**
- (iii) stoma / guard cells **3**
- (iv) increase day length / artificial light/ increase carbon dioxide level / increase in  
temperature level **3**
- (c) (i) release of energy/ oxidation of food **6**
- (ii) to provide energy or named metabolic activity **6**
- (iii) respiration in presence of oxygen **6**
- (iv) aerobic **3**
- (v) allow any example of “industrial fermentation” **2(3)**

Organism	<u>3 marks</u>	Product	<u>3 marks</u>
bacteria		beer/ wine/ yoghurt/ enzymes/ drugs/ hormones/ antibiotics/ methane (biogas)/ etc.	
Fungus / yeast		carbon dioxide/ wine/ beer/ single cell protein/ antibiotics	

12. (a) (i) 1. Pulmonary artery 3  
2. Pulmonary vein 3  
(ii) carbon dioxide 3
- (b) (i) A = larynx (voice box) B = trachea (wind pipe) C = bronchus D = bronchiole 4(3)  
(ii) Alveolus 3  
(iii) To produce sound or speech 3  
(iv) To keep trachea open / prevent collapse of trachea / protection of trachea 3  
(v) At the back of the throat / top of windpipe / oesophagus 3  
(vi) To prevent food entering trachea / wrong way / prevent choking 3
- (c) (i) diaphragm/ intercostal 6 + 3  
(ii) diaphragm contracts (lowers) / intercostal muscles contract / ribs move up and out / increased volume of thoracic cavity / pressure decreases / intercostals relax / air rushes in / diaphragm relaxes / volume decreases / pressure increases / air pushed out / inhale / exhale any two 2(3)  
(iii) name/cause/prevention or treatment 3(3)  
asthma/ allergic response or genetics or smoking or narrowing of bronchioles or infection or anxiety / use of inhaler or avoidance of allergens / exercise .  
bronchitis/ infection or narrowing of bronchi/ antibiotics (for bacterial infection) / cancer of the lungs / MS effecting diaphragm.
13. (a) (i) A and a }  
(ii) AB Ab aB ab } Any two points 6 + 3
- (b) (i) adenine, thymine, guanine, cytosine or letters A,T,G,C 4(3)  
(ii) three bases / code for one amino acid 3  
(iii) information (code) is copied to RNA molecule 3  
(iv) ribosome 6
- (c) (i) organisms now existing/ have descended from previous types/ by (genetic) change / natural selection / response to environmental change /over time any two 2(3)  
(ii) organisms best suited to environment/ have greater chance of breeding/ and survive [ 'survival of the fittest' = 2(3)] any two 2(3)  
(iii) Darwin / Wallace 3  
(iv) • Fossil/series showing change or example/ change related to environment /common descent or ancestry or explained OR  
• Anatomy / homologous structure or bones (or explained)/example of/adaptive radiation (or explained)/example of /common descent or ancestry OR  
• Embryology/similarity between embryos/ two examples from fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds, mammals/ adult forms different /common descent or ancestry  
any two points from one of the above 6 + 6

