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Hierdie vraestel bestaan uit 16 bladsye./ This question paper consists of 16 pages.

INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

Read the following instructions carefully before answering the questions.

- Answer ALL the questions.
- Write ALL the answers in the ANSWER BOOK.
- Start the answers to EACH question at the top of a NEW page.
- 4. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
- Present your answers according to the instructions of each question.
- Do ALL drawings in pencil and label them in blue or black ink.
- Draw diagrams, tables or flow charts only when asked to do so.
- 8. The diagrams in this question paper are NOT necessarily drawn to scale.
- Do NOT use graph paper.
- You must use a non-programmable calculator, protractor and a compass, where necessary.
- Write neatly and legibly.



SECTION A

QUESTION 1

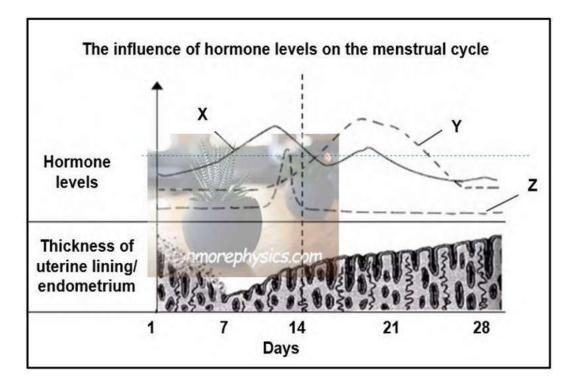
- 1.1 Various options are provided as possible answers to the following questions. Choose the answer and write only the letter (A–D) next to the question numbers (1.1.1 to 1.1.10) in the ANSWER BOOK, e.g. 1.1.11 D.
 - 1.1.1 The structure in the male reproductive system where sperms are temporarily stored is the ...
 - A testis.
 - B epididymis.
 - C vas deferens.
 - D penis.
 - 1.1.2 The part of the brain which receives impulses from the sacculus and utriculus is the ...
 - A hypothalamus.
 - B cerebrum.
 - C cerebellum.
 - D medulla oblongata.
 - 1.1.3 Reproductive strategies used by ground nesting birds, such as the ostrich, include ...
 - A external fertilisation and ovipary.
 - B ovovivipary and no parental care.
 - C vivipary and internal fertilisation.
 - D ovipary and internal fertilisation.
 - 1.1.4 Which ONE of the following shows the correct sequence of an impulse received from the receptor in a simple reflex arc?
 - A Sensory neuron through dorsal root → motor neuron through ventral root → effector
 - B Motor neuron through dorsal root → sensory neuron through ventral root → effector
 - C Sensory neuron through dorsal root → effector → motor neuron through ventral root
 - D Effector → interneuron through dorsal root motor neuron through the ventral root



Which ONE of the following represents the correct sequence of development after fertilisation has taken place?

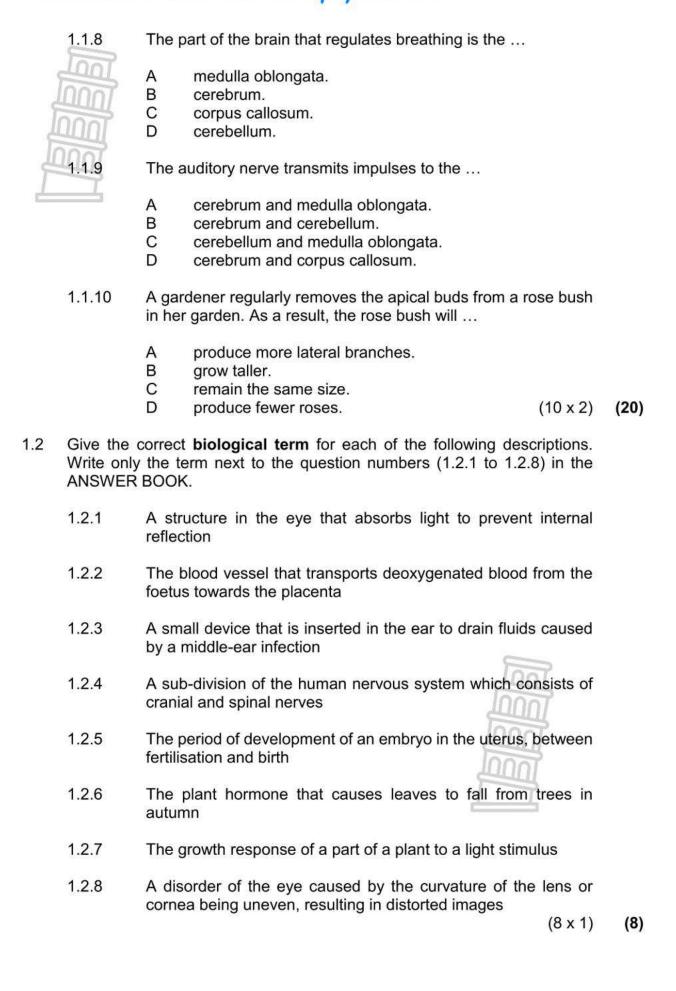
- A Ovum \rightarrow Zygote \rightarrow Blastocyst \rightarrow Morula \rightarrow Foetus
- B Zygote → Morula → Blastocyst → Foetus
- C Ovum → Zygote → Morula → Blastocyst → Foetus
- D Zygote → Blastocyst → Morula → Foetus

The graph below shows the menstrual cycle and the influence that different hormones have on it.



Which ONE of the following shows the pattern/trend of the level of hormones **X** and **Z** from days **13** to **14**?

- A X decreases and Z increases
- B Both X and Z decreases
- C X and Z are at their optimum level
- D Both X and Z increases
- 1.1.7 Damage to the dendrites of a motor neuron in a reflex arc would probably prevent ...
 - A a receptor from receiving a stimulus.
 - B synaptic contact with a sensory neuron.
 - C an impulse from being transmitted to an effector organ.
 - D an impulse from being transmitted to the spinal cord.

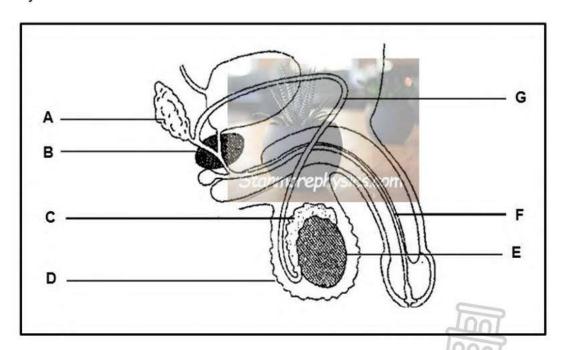


Indicate whether each of the descriptions in COLUMN I apply to A ONLY, B ONLY, BOTH A AND B or NONE of the items in COLUMN II. Write A only, B only, both A and B or none next to the question numbers (1.3.1 to 1.3.3) in the ANSWER BOOK.

Ш	COLUMN I		COLUMN II
1.3.1	Plant hormone that stimulates the germination of seeds	A: B:	Gibberellins Abscisic acid
1.3.2	Stimulates the conversion of glycogen to glucose	A: B:	Glucagon Adrenalin
1.3.3	Secretions from this gland contribute to the formation of semen	A: B:	Cowper's gland Prostate gland

(3 x 2) **(6)**

1.4 The diagram below represents the structure of the male reproductive system.



1.4.1 Identify part:

(a) B (1)

(b) **G** (1)

1.4.2 Give the LETTER and the NAME of the structure that:

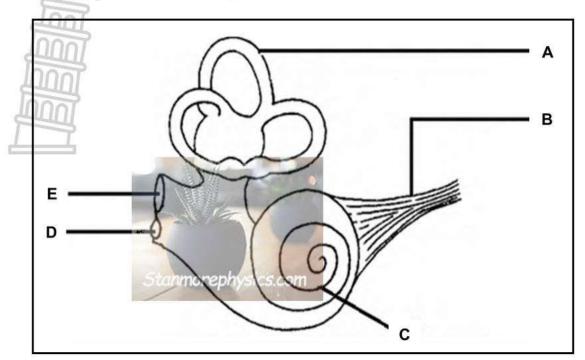
(a) Secretes the main source of nutrients for sperm cells (2)

(b) Controls the temperature for healthy sperm production (2)

(c) Secretes the hormone testosterone (2)

(8)

1.5 The diagram below shows parts of the inner ear.



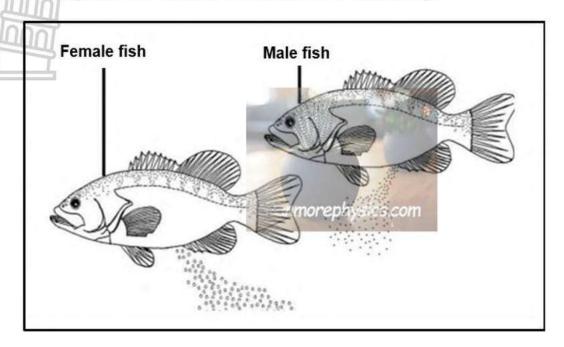
- 1.5.1 Identify part **B**. (1)
- 1.5.2 Give the name of the receptor found in part **C**. (1)
- 1.5.3 Give the LETTER and the NAME of the structure that:
 - (a) Creates pressure waves in the inner ear (2)
 - (b) Absorbs excess pressure waves from the cochlea (2)
 - (c) Detects changes in the movement of the head (2) (8)

TOTAL SECTION A: 50

SECTION B

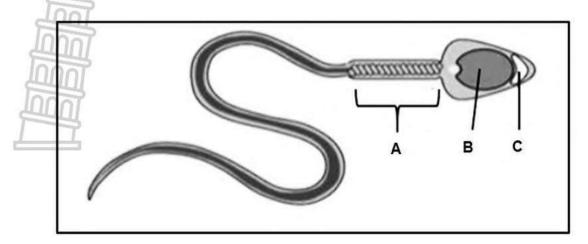
QUESTION 2

2.1 The diagram below shows a certain species of fish mating.



- 2.1.1 Identify the type of fertilisation displayed by this fish species. (1)
- 2.1.2 State TWO visible ways in which the chances of fertilisation in these fish are increased. (2)
- 2.1.3 Name the reproductive strategy used by these fish that involves the laying of eggs. (1)
- 2.1.4 Explain ONE reason why there is no need for the eggs of these fish to be covered by a hard or leathery shell. (2)
 (6)

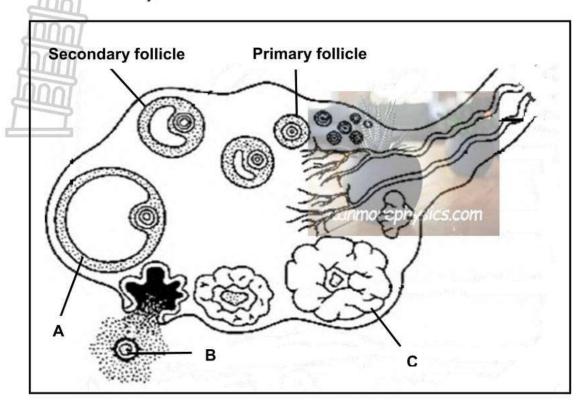
2.2 The diagram below represents a sperm.



- 2.2.1 Identify part:
 - (a) **A** (1)
 - (b) **B** (1)
- 2.2.2 Explain TWO ways in which the sperm is structurally suited to ensure effective movement towards the Fallopian tubes. (4)
- 2.2.3 Explain the consequences for reproduction if a sperm does not have part **C**. (3)
- 2.2.4 Explain how the male body ensures that the sperm cells are not killed by acidic urine as they travel through the urethra. (2) (11)



2.3 The diagram below shows events in the ovary of a human female during the menstrual cycle.



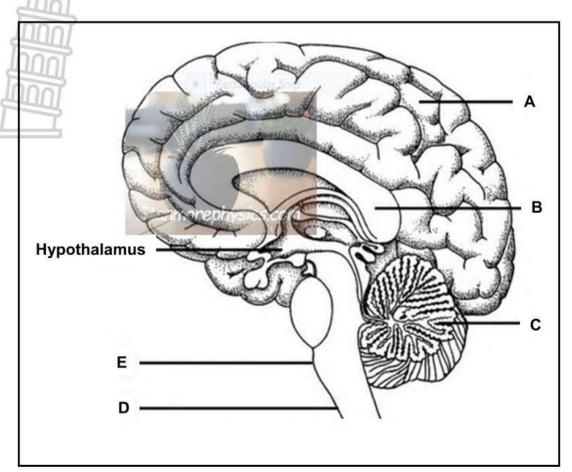
2.3.1 Name the hormone responsible for the:

- (a) Formation of structure **A** (1)
- (b) Release of structure **B** (1)
- 2.3.2 Give the number of chromosomes found in the nucleus of structure **B**. (1)
- 2.3.3 Explain the implications for the ovarian cycle if structure **C** degenerates. (3)
- 2.3.4 Ovariotomy is a term used to describe the surgical removal of only the ovaries. They can be removed due to certain illnesses such as cancer.

Explain why a female who had an ovariotomy will not menstruate. (4)

2.3.5 Draw a labelled diagram of structure **B**. (4) (14)

2.4 The diagram below represents part of the central nervous system of a human.



2.4.1 Identify part:

(a) **B** (1)

(b) **E** (1)

2.4.2 Only give the LETTER of the part responsible for a reflex action that occurs when stepping on a sharp object while barefoot. (1)

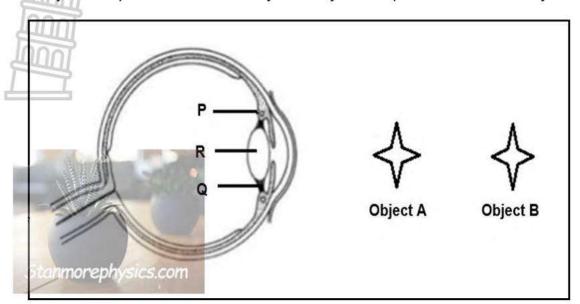
2.4.3 Name the system of membranes that surrounds the brain. (1)

2.4.4 State TWO functions of part **C**. (2)

2.4.5 Explain how the reabsorption of water of a person who injured the hypothalamus in an accident, will be affected. (3) (9)

2.5 The diagram below represents a human eye when the person is looking at two objects (**A** and **B**) at various distances from the eye.

Object A is placed 3 meters away and Object B is placed 8 meters away.



- 2.5.1 Name the area on the retina which:
 - (a) Is responsible for forming the clearest image (1)
 - (b) Has no rods and cones (1)
- 2.5.2 Name the disorder that results in the inability of the eye to focus on object **B**. (1)
- 2.5.3 What type of lens should be used to correct the disorder mentioned in QUESTION 2.5.2? (1)
- 2.5.4 Explain the role of structures **P**, **Q** and **R** to ensure a clear image if the person moves his focus from object **B** to object **A**. (6) (10) [50]

QUESTION 3

3.1 Read the extract below.

WHAT IS AN EAR INFECTION (OTITIS MEDIA)?

Ear infection, also called otitis media, is an infection in the middle ear. The middle ear is the air-filled space between the eardrum and inner ear and it houses the delicate bones that transmit sound vibrations from the eardrum to the inner ear.

The Eustachian tube regulates air pressure in the ear and prevents fluid from accumulating in the middle ear. Ear infections caused by viruses and bacteria can result in the buildup of fluid in the middle ear and often cause discomfort and hearing loss. Middle ear infections occur most often in children between 6 months and 2 years of age.

Children get ear infections more often than adults because:

- Their shorter, more horizontal Eustachian tubes let bacteria and viruses find their way into the middle ear more easily
- The tubes are also narrower, so they are more likely to get blocked
- 3.1.1 Give the collective name for the delicate bones located in the middle ear. (1)3.1.2 From the extract, state: The medical term for middle ear infection (a) (1)ONE micro-organism that can cause middle ear infection (b) (1)TWO functions of the Eustachian tube (2)(c) 3.1.3 Explain ONE reason why children get middle ear infection more often than adults. (2)3.1.4 Explain why middle ear infections can lead to hearing loss. (4)(11)

(15)

3.2 Energy drinks are very popular amongst the youth and are regularly consumed by 31% of 12- to 17-year-olds and 34% of 18- to 24-year-olds.

An investigation was carried out to determine the effect of caffeine on body temperature. A group of 200 men participated in the investigation.

The procedure was as follows:

- At the start of the investigation, each man's body temperature was measured, and the average of all the participants was calculated.
- The men each drank 100 ml of the same type of energy drink.
- Their body temperature was then measured every 15 minutes for a period of 1 hour, and an average for all the participants was calculated.
- All the participants were seated during the period of the investigation.

The table below shows the results of the investigation.

TIME (minutes)	AVERAGE BODY TEMPERATURE (°C)		
0	36,6		
15	37,2		
30	38		
45	37,6		
60	37,4		

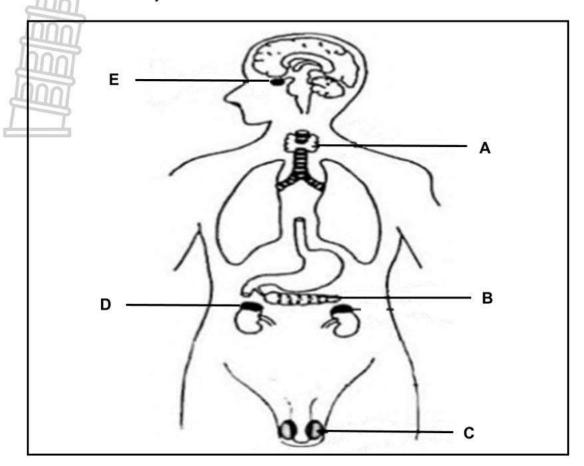
3.2.1 Identify the:

	(a) Independent variable	(1)
	(b) Dependent variable	(1)
3.2.2	State how the scientist improved the reliability of the results.	(1)
3.2.3	Mention TWO ways in which the scientist have improved the validity of the investigation.	(2)
3.2.4	State the effect that caffeine had on the body temperature after 15 minutes.	(1)
3.2.5	State how long after drinking the energy drink, the caffeine had its maximum effect.	(1)
3.2.6	Studies show that caffeine causes an increase in metabolism.	
	Explain how this effect contributes to the temperature change that occurred from 0 to 30 minutes.	(2)
3.2.7	Draw a line graph to represent the data in the table.	(6)

(3) **(9)**

(8)

3.3 The diagram below shows the position of the endocrine glands found in a male human body.



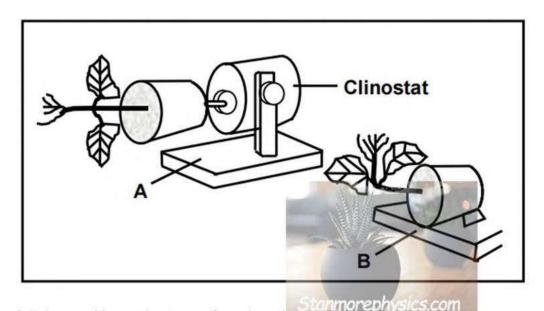
3.3.1 Identify the LETTER and NAME of the gland that secretes a hormone which:

- (a) Stimulates the growth of long bones (2)
- (b) Regulates the salt balance (2)
- (c) Controls the sugar levels in the body (2)
- 3.3.2 Explain the consequences to the body mass of a person if the hormone secreted by gland A remains abnormally high for extended periods of time.
- 3.4 Andile took part in the Comrades marathon, which is a long distance race. On the day of the race it was very cold.
 - 3.4.1 State FIVE ways in which adrenalin will enable his muscles to function efficiently during the first part of the race. (5)
 - 3.4.2 Describe how the sweat glands control his body temperature in this cold environment. (3)

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- 3.5 A group of Grade 12 learners set up the following apparatus:
 - They used two potted plants.
 - One plant was placed on a rotating clinostat (Diagram A) and the other plant was placed on a stationary clinostat (Diagram B).
 - They left the apparatus inside a dark cupboard for two weeks before making the observations as indicated in the diagram below.

NOTE: A clinostat is an apparatus that can rotate.



3.5.1 Name the type of tropism that is observed. (1)

3.5.2 Explain the results illustrated in diagram **B**. (5)

3.5.3 State ONE reason why the apparatus was placed in a dark cupboard for the duration of the investigation.

(1) (7) [50]

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These marking guidelines consist of 10 pages.

PRINCIPLES RELATED TO MARKING LIFE SCIENCES

1. If more information than marks allocated is given

Stop marking when maximum marks is reached and put a wavy line and 'max' in the right-hand margin.

2. If, for example, three reasons are required and five are given

Mark the first three irrespective of whether all or some are correct/incorrect.

3. If whole process is given when only part of it is required

Read all and credit relevant part.

4. If comparisons are asked for, but descriptions are given

Accept if the differences/similarities are clear.

5. If tabulation is required, but paragraphs are given

Candidates will lose marks for not tabulating.

6. If diagrams are given with annotations when descriptions are required

Candidates will lose marks.

7. If flow charts are given instead of descriptions

Candidates will lose marks.

8. If sequence is muddled and links do not make sense

Where sequence and links are correct, credit. Where sequence and links are incorrect, do not credit. If sequence and links become correct again, resume credit.

Non-recognised abbreviations

Accept if first defined in answer. If not defined, do not credit the unrecognised abbreviation, but credit the rest of answer if correct.

10. Wrong numbering

If answer fits into the correct sequence of questions, but the wrong number is given, it is acceptable.

11. If language used changes the intended meaning

Do not accept.

Spelling errors

If recognisable, accept the answer, provided it does not mean something else in Life Sciences or if it is out of context.

13. If common names are given in terminology

Accept, provided it was accepted at the provincial memo discussion meeting.

14. If only letter is asked for, but only the name is given (and vice versa)

Do not credit.

15. If units are not given in measurements

Candidates will lose marks. Memorandum will allocate marks for units separately.

16. Be sensitive to the sense of an answer, which may be stated in a different way.

17. Caption

All illustrations (diagrams, drawings, graphs, tables, etc.) must have a caption.

18. Code-switching of official languages (terms and concepts)

A single word or two that appear(s) in any official language other than the learner's assessment language used to the greatest extent in his/her answers should be credited, if it is correct. A marker that is proficient in the relevant official language should be consulted. This is applicable to all official languages.

19. Changes to the marking guidelines

No changes must be made to the marking guidelines without consent of the examiner and internal moderator.



SECTION A

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1.1	MAA	B✓✓		
	1.1.2	C✓✓		
	1.1.3	D✓✓		
	1.1.4	A✓✓		
	1.1.5	B✓✓		
	1.1.6	B✓✓		
	1.1.7	C//		
	1.1.8	A✓✓		
	1.1.9	B✓✓		
	1.1.10	A✓✓	(10×2)	(20)
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1.2	1.2.1	Choroid✓		
	1.2.2	Umbilical artery√		
	1.2.3	Grommet		
	1.2.4	Peripheral ✓ nervous system		
	1.2.5	Gestation		
	1.2.6	Abscisic acid rephysics.com		
	1.2.7	Phototropism√		
	1.2.8	Astigmatism✓	(8 x 1)	(8)
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1.3	1.3.1	A only✓✓		
	1.3.2	Both A and B✓✓		
	1.3.3	Both A and B✓✓	(3×2)	(6)
			(45)	32 658
1.4	1.4.1	(a) Prostate gland√		(1)
		(b) Vas deferens√/Sperm duct		(1)
			Inni	16 (12)
	1.4.2	(a) A✓ - Seminal vesicle✓	1000	(2)
		(b) D✓ - Scrotum✓	444	(2)
		(c) E✓ - Testis✓	JOHNT	(2)
			Innot	(8)
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1.5	1.5.1	Auditory nerve✓		(1)
	1.5.2	Organ of Corti✓		(1)
	1.0.2	Organi of Coru-		(1)
	1.5.3	(a) E✓ - Oval window✓/Fenestra ovalis		(2)
		(b) D✓ - Round window√/Fenestra rotunda		(2)
		(c) A✓ - Semicircular canals✓		(2)
		52.5		(8)
				200

TOTAL SECTION A: 50

SECTION B

QUESTION 2

2.1	2.1.1	External✓ fertilization	(1)
	2.1.2	 A large amount of sperm are released√ A large amount of eggs are released√ The male and female swim close to each other√/the sperm is released close to the eggs Any 	(2)
	2.1.3	Ovipary✓	(1)
	2.1.4	 No danger of drying out√ as water provides support√/keep it moist 	(2) (6)
2.2	2.2.1	(a) Middle piece√/Neck(b) Nucleus√	(1) (1)
	2.2.2	 It contains mitochondria ✓ that supply energy ✓ for locomotion of the sperm cell It has a long tail ✓ which enables movement ✓ /for swimming/locomotion (of the sperm cell) It is torpedo shaped ✓ to reduce friction ✓ Any (2 x 2) (Mark first TWO only) 	(4)
	2.2.3	 No enzymes ✓ will be present (Sperm) will be unable to penetrate the ovum ✓ louter membrane of ovum cannot be dissolved therefore no fertilisation ✓ will occur 	(3)
	2.2.4	 (The prostate gland) secretes an alkaline/basic fluid√ to neutralise the acidic conditions√ of the urethra 	(2) (11)
2.3	2.3.1	(a) FSH√/Follicle stimulating hormone(b) LH√/Luteinising hormone	(1) (1)
	2.3.2	23✓	(1)

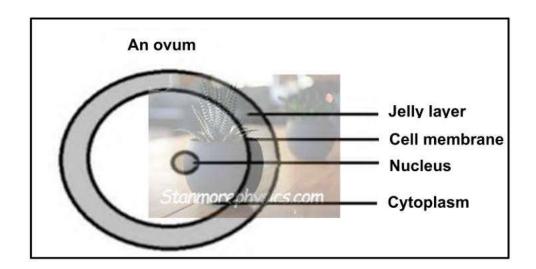
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2.3.3

- The levels of progesterone drop✓
- therefore FSH secretion is no longer inhibited√
- and a new follicle starts to develop
- No follicle will develop✓
- No oestrogen is produced✓
- and no progesterone is produced√
- Therefore, the endometrium will not develop ✓/thicken to be shed during menstruation (4)

2.3.5



Criteria for marking the diagram

Criteria	Marks	
Caption (C)	1	
Correct diagram (D)	1	
Any TWO correct labels (L)	2	

(4)

(1)

(1)

(14)

2.4 2.4.1

- (a) Corpus callosum√
- (b) Medulla oblongata√

2.4.2 D√

(1)

2.4.3 Meninges ✓

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- 2.4.4 Coordinates all voluntary movements ✓
 - (Controls muscle tension) to maintain balance✓

(2)

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2.4.5 1001 10001	 No/less ADH will be secreted✓ resulting in renal tubules to be less permeable✓ no/less water will be reabsorbed✓ more water is lost✓/diluted urine will be excreted 	Any	(3) (9)
2.5 2.5.1	(a) Yellow spot√/Fovea centralis		(1)
	(b) Blind spot✓		(1)
2.5.2	Short-sightedness√/Myopia		(1)
2.5.3	(Bi)concave√ lens		(1)
2.5.4	 P/Ciliary muscles contract√ and ciliary body moves closer to the lens√ Q/Suspensory ligaments slacken√ and the tension on the lens decreases√ R/Lens becomes more convex√ 		

- for more refraction ✓ of the incoming light rays



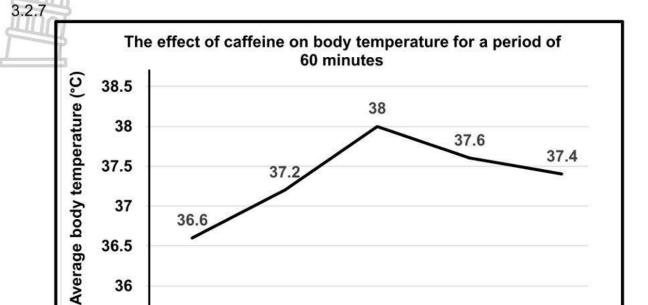
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QUESTION 3

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3.1	3.1.1	Oss	sicles✓		(1)
	3.1.2	(a) (b)	Otitis media✓ - Virus✓		(1)
	long		- Bacteria√ (Mark first ONE only)	Any	(1)
		(c)	 Regulate air pressure in the ear√ Prevent fluid from accumulating in the middle e (Mark first TWO only) 	ear√	(2)
	3.1.3	.	The Eustachain tubes are shorter√/more horizontal bacteria and viruses find their way into the middle of	10 T-71	
		•	The tubes are narrower✓ so more likely to get blocked✓ (Mark first ONE only)	Any (1 x 2)	(2)
	3.1.4		Mucus in the middle ear causes the Eustachian tube to be blocked which will not be able to equalize the pressure in The tympanic membrane/ossicles may not vibrate resulting in pressure on the tympanic membrane that may cause the tympanic membrane to burst that will lead to hearing loss		(4) (11)
3.2	3.2.1		(Effect of) caffeine✓ Body temperature✓		(1) (1)
	3.2.2		 200 men✓ participated Average bodytemperature was calculated✓ 		(1)
	3.2.3	-	ne: Amount of energy drink✓ Gender✓/men only Amount of caffeine in energy drink✓/type of drink Level of activity of participants✓/all were seated Length of time when measurements were taken✓/e (Mark first TWO only)	every 15 minutes Any	(2)
	3.2.4	(Bo	dy temperature) increases✓		(1)

3.2.5 30 minutes ✓ (1)

3.2.6 - It results in an increase in respiration ✓
which generates more heat ✓
(2)



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Time (minutes)

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Criteria for marking of the graph:

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Criteria	Symbol	Mark allocation	
Line graph is drawn	Т	1	
Caption of graph includes both variables	С	1	
Correct labels on the X - axis and Y - axis with correct units on both axes	L	Inni	
Correct scale for X - axis and Y- axis	S	TUUUL	
Plotting: 1 - 4 co-ordinates plotted correctly All 5 co-ordinates plotted correctly	Р		

(6) **(15)**

TOTAL SECTION B: 100

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