

Answer **three** questions in all; **two** questions from Section A and the **only** compulsory question in **either** Section B or Section C.

No marks will be awarded for answering questions **not peculiar** to your own country.

Write your answers in **ink** in your answer booklet.

Large labelled diagrams should be used where they make an answer clearer. The names given for chosen species **must** be English or scientific and **not** vernacular.

Credit will be given for clarity of expression and orderly presentation of answers.

SECTION A

FOR ALL CANDIDATES

Answer **two** questions **only** from this section.

1. (a) (i) List **four** supporting tissues in plants. [4 marks]  
(ii) State **one** characteristic feature **each** that adapts **each** of the supporting tissues listed in 1(a)(i) to its function. [8 marks]
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- (b) Make a diagram, 6 cm to 8 cm long of the transverse section of the stem of a monocotyledonous plant and label fully. [8 marks]
2. (a) (i) What is *deficiency disease*? [2 marks]  
(ii) Name **five** nutrient deficiency diseases in humans. [5 marks]  
(iii) State **one** remedy **each** for the diseases named in 2(a)(ii). [5 marks]
- Scurvy - Night blindness  
Marasmus - Rickets  
Kwashiorkor - Goitre
- (b) Outline a chemical test for:  
(i) glucose in orange fruit; [4 marks]  
(ii) starch in a tuber of yam. [4 marks]
3. (a) Explain **briefly** food preservation in the following facilities:  
(i) silo;  
(ii) refrigerator. [6 marks]
- (b) List **four** examples **each** of food types that can be preserved in the facilities in 3(a)(i) and 3(a)(ii). [8 marks]
- (c) List **six** factors that affect population size of living organisms. [6 marks]

4. (a) Explain **briefly** the reason why blood groups **A** and **B** in humans can exist **both** in the heterozygous and homozygous forms while blood group **O** can only exist in homozygous form. [5 marks]
- (b) (i) Name the Classes of vertebrates in order of their evolutionary trend. [5 marks]
- (ii) Give **one** example **each** of the Classes of vertebrates named in 4(b)(i). [5 marks]
- (c) Explain **briefly** independent assortment of genes. [5 marks]

## SECTION B

## FOR CANDIDATES IN GHANA ONLY

Answer the questions in this section.

5. (a) (i) What is **guttation**? [2 marks]
- (ii) Explain **briefly** the biological principles underlying the process of guttation. [4 marks]
- (b) (i) List **three** organelles in the cell that are involved in protein synthesis. [3 marks]
- (ii) Name **one** source of amino acids used in protein synthesis in cells. [1 mark]
- (c) Outline the steps taken to change from viewing an object placed under a low power magnification to a high power magnification when using an optical microscope. [4 marks]
- (d) Describe **briefly** the process of dissecting a rabbit to expose its alimentary canal. [6 marks]
- (e) Name **six** life processes which living organisms are capable of performing. [6 marks]
- (f) Name the branch of Biology which is concerned with the study of:
- (i) tissues; *histology*
- (ii) plants; *botany*
- (iii) DNA; *cell biology*
- (iv) the environment. *environmental biology*

[4 marks]

## FOR CANDIDATES IN NIGERIA, SIERRA LEONE, THE GAMBIA AND LIBERIA

*Answer the questions in this section.*

6. (a) Explain **briefly** the following types of fertilization in animals:
- (i) external fertilization;
  - (ii) internal fertilization.
- [4 marks]
- (b) Name **two** groups of animals **each** that exhibit the types of fertilization in 6(a)(i) and (ii).
- [4 marks]
- (c) (i) If the placenta in a pregnant woman is detached from the uterine wall, give **three** effects this would have on the foetus.
- [3 marks]
- (ii) Name **three** other features present in the uterus of a pregnant woman useful for the development of the foetus.
- [3 marks]
- (d) Explain **briefly** how the activities of organisms bring about dynamic equilibrium in the habitat.
- [4 marks]
- (e) State **four** problems that organisms in the intertidal zone of a marine habitat could encounter.
- [4 marks]
- (f) Explain **briefly** the reason the following factors are necessary for germination:
- (i) moisture;
  - (ii) viable seed.
- [4 marks]
- (g) Explain **briefly** the reason light energy is considered a limiting factor in the production of food by autotrophs.
- [4 marks]

***END OF ESSAY TEST***



Answer **all** the questions.

Each question is followed by **four** options lettered A to D. Find the **correct** option for each question and shade in **pencil** on your answer sheet, the answer space which bears the same letter as the option you have chosen.

Give only **one** answer to **each** question. An example is given below.

Which part of the gill of fish is involved in gaseous exchange?

- A. Gill slits
- B. Gill bars
- C. Gill covers
- D. Gill filaments

The correct answer is Gill filaments, which is lettered D, and therefore answer space D would be shaded.

☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D

Think carefully before you shade the answer spaces; erase completely any answers you wish to change.

Do **all** rough work on this question paper.

Now answer the following questions.

1. The cell as the basic unit of life consists of
  - A. cytoplasm and vacuole.
  - B. cytoplasm and nucleus.
  - C. nucleus and cell wall.
  - D. cell wall and vacuole.

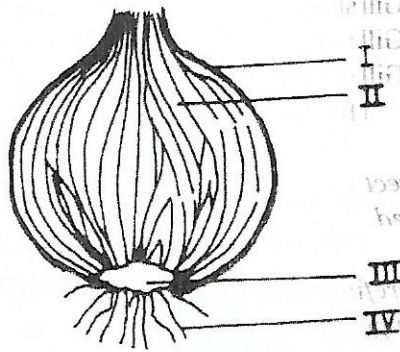
Use the following Classes of Arthropoda to answer questions 2 and 3.

- I. Crustacea
- II. Insecta
- III. Arachnida
- IV. Chilopoda

2. Which members of the Classes live **mainly** in an aquatic habitat?
  - A. I
  - B. II
  - C. III
  - D. IV
3. Which of the Classes is characterized by the possession of two pairs of antennae?
  - A. IV
  - B. III
  - C. II
  - D. I
4. The organism with spiral chloroplasts and nucleus suspended by cytoplasmic strands is
  - A. *Euglena*.
  - B. *Paramecium*.
  - C. *Spirogyra*.
  - D. *Volvox*.

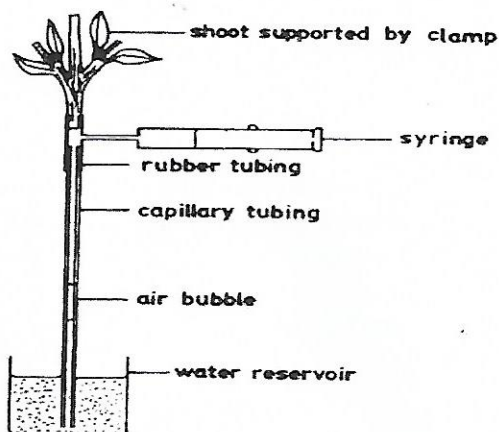
5. The network of double membrane that conveys materials through the cytoplasm is the
- endoplasmic reticulum.
  - mitochondrion.
  - nuclear membrane.
  - plasma membrane.

The diagram below is an illustration of the longitudinal section of a plant organ.  
Study it and answer questions 6 to 8.



6. Food is stored in the part labelled
- IV.
  - III.
  - II.
  - I.
7. The plant is a
- runner.
  - stolon.
  - bulb.
  - stem tuber.
8. The part labelled I is the
- fleshy leaf.
  - adventitious root.
  - scale leaf.
  - apical bud.
9. Which of the following materials is **not** a living semi-permeable membrane?
- Sheet of cellophane
  - Yam tuber
  - Unripe pawpaw fruit
  - Pig's bladder
10. In an experiment, mould and yeast cells were transferred into an environment with low oxygen concentration. After a few days, the mould died while the yeast cells did not. Which of the following statements **best** explains the above observation?
- Respiration does not occur in the mould
  - Respiration can take place in yeast cells in the absence of oxygen
  - Photosynthesis does not take place in the absence of oxygen
  - The yeast cells carried out photosynthesis while the mould did not
11. Which of the following tissues does **not** provide support in flowering plants?
- Phloem
  - Xylem
  - Parenchyma
  - Collenchyma

The diagram below is an illustration of an experimental set-up. *Study it and answer questions 12 and 13.*

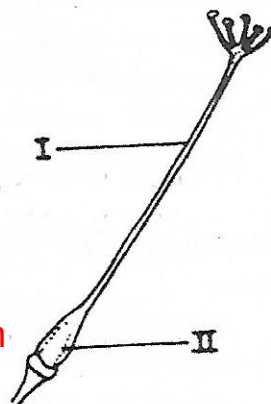


12. The set-up directly measures
  - A. loss of mineral salts from the leaves.
  - B. absorption of water by the shoot.
  - C. evaporation of water from the leaves.
  - D. transpiration of water by the shoot.
13. The set-up can measure comparatively the rate of
  - A. water uptake by roots of different plants.
  - B. transpiration of a single shoot of a plant under different experimental conditions.
  - C. salt uptake by shoots from different plants.
  - D. evaporation from leaves on a single shoot under different experimental conditions.
14. The respiratory organ of a cockroach is the
  - A. lung.
  - B. lung book.
  - C. trachea.
  - D. air sac.
15. The excretory product of some reptiles, birds and insects is
  - A. uric acid.
  - B. ammonia.
  - C. urine.
  - D. urea.
16. The part of the mammalian kidney that stores urine is the
  - A. bladder.
  - B. pelvis.
  - C. medulla.
  - D. capsule.
17. The properties of endocrine system include the following **except**
  - A. release of secretions into ducts.
  - B. having specific effect.
  - C. transportation by blood to target organs.
  - D. secretion of hormones.

18. The part of the central nervous system that controls unconscious actions in humans is the
- optic nerves.
  - spinal cord.
  - cerebrum.
  - cerebellum.

19. What happens when the ciliary muscles of the eye contract? The
- suspensory ligament becomes tight.
  - lens gets a longer focal length.
  - lens becomes more convex.
  - lens becomes more concave.

The diagram below is an illustration of a part of a flower.  
Study it and answer questions 20 and 21.



20. The function of the part labelled I is
- site for double fertilization in the plant.
  - germination of the pollen grain.
  - passage for the male gamete to the ovary.
  - receiving the pollen grain.
21. The part labelled II is the
- unfused anthers.
  - fused ovaries.
  - fused style.
  - unfused stigma.
22. The reagent used in testing for carbon (IV) oxide is
- copper sulphate solution.
  - lime water.
  - hydrochloric acid.
  - sodium hydroxide solution.
23. Oxygen comes out of the stomata during photosynthesis through the process known as
- active transport.
  - osmosis.
  - transpiration pull.
  - diffusion.



24. The first stable product of photosynthesis is

- A. sucrose.
- B. glucose.
- C. fructose.
- D. starch.

25. An example of a trace element is

- A. copper.
- B. magnesium.
- C. calcium.
- D. potassium.

26. Which of the following statements about a mixture of a protein-digesting enzyme and starch solution would be **correct**? The protein digesting enzyme

- A. digests the starch.
- B. leads to the production of glucose.
- C. leads to the production of amino acids.
- D. has no effect on the starch solution.

27. A mutualism type of relationship is different from a parasitic relationship because in mutualism,

- A. only one of the organisms is harmed.
- B. both organisms harm each other.
- C. none of the organisms benefits or harms each other.
- D. both organisms involved benefit.

The table below shows the number of some organisms in habitats *W* and *Y*. Study it and answer questions 28 to 30.

Organism	Number in the habitat	
	habitat <i>W</i>	habitat <i>Y</i>
Plankton	126	0
Antelope	0	51
Water flea	10	0
Tilapia	23	0
Lion	0	6
Frog	6	0
Grass	0	250

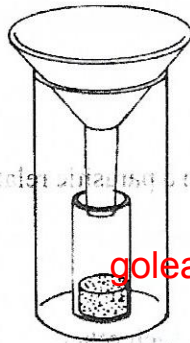
28. What type of habitat is *W*?

- A. Ocean
- B. Desert
- C. Pond
- D. Rainforest



29. Which of the following statements about habitat *W* is **correct**? The
- absence of grasses indicates the habitat is terrestrial.
  - type of organisms present indicate the habitat is aquatic.
  - presence of tilapia and planktons shows the habitat is not aquatic.
  - absence of lions and antelopes shows the habitat is terrestrial.
30. The number of lions and antelopes in habitat *Y* shows that the lion
- and the antelope are predators.
  - and the antelope are preys to each other.
  - is the predator while the antelope is the prey.
  - is the prey while the antelope is the predator.

The diagram below is an illustration of an ecological instrument. *Study it and answer questions 31 and 32.*



31. A disadvantage of the abiotic factor measured by the instrument is that it
- is used for irrigation.
  - leads to flooding when in excess.
  - is necessary for germination.
  - is an agent of pollination.
32. When the instrument is in use, it is usually
- suspended on moving water.
  - suspended in air.
  - placed on a table.
  - placed slightly above soil level.
33. Soil with the finest texture is
- gravel.
  - sand.
  - clay.
  - silt.
34. The position occupied by an organism in a food chain is the
- energy level.
  - niche.
  - trophic level.
  - biomass.

35. The depletion of the ozone layer will result in the earth surface receiving more
- X-rays.
  - ultraviolet rays.
  - Infra-red rays.
  - gamma rays.

Use the list of insects below to answer questions 36 and 37.

- Cotton stainer
- Honeybee
- Termite
- Weevil

36. The insects whose activities are **both** beneficial and harmful to humans are
- III** and **IV**.
  - II** and **IV**.
  - II** and **III**.
  - I** and **II**.

37. Which of the insects destroys grains?

- IV**
- III**
- II**
- I**

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38. Conservation of natural resources does **not**

- threaten the survival of species.
- attract tourists.
- preserve the beauty of nature.
- maintain a balanced ecosystem.

39. A company was prohibited from producing bags made from natural leopard skin. This is an attempt to conserve

- minerals.
- wildlife.
- water.
- land.

40. Which of the following substances is **not** a conservable natural resource?

- Water
- Soil
- Air
- Mineral

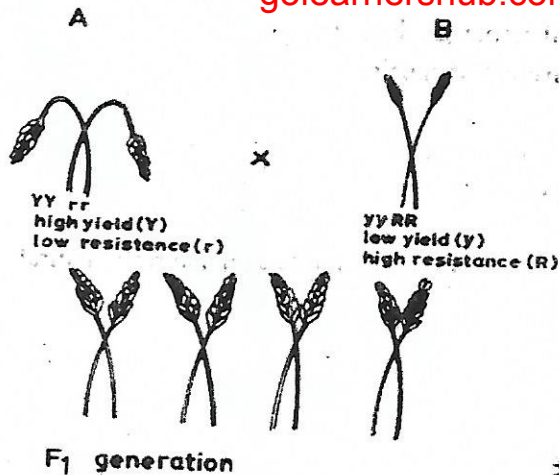
41. A child that can receive blood from anybody belongs to the blood group

- AB**.
- B**.
- A**.
- O**.

42. Variation which exhibits a wide range from one extreme to the other is
- genotypic variation.
  - continuous variation.
  - discontinuous variation.
  - phenotypic variation.
43. Measurements of height and weight of students in a class show
- fatness is less prevalent.
  - shortness is more prevalent.
  - continuous variation.
  - discontinuous variation.
44. Which of the following statements about chromosomes is **correct**?
- They bear ribosomes on their outer membranes.
  - They are neatly arranged in the cytoplasm.
  - The number present in a species is constant.
  - All the chromosomes of a species are the same in shape.
45. Which of the following diseases can be inherited?
- Malaria
  - Sickle cell anaemia
  - Whooping cough
  - Pneumonia

The diagram below is an illustration of a cross between plants A and B of the same species. Study it and answer questions 46 and 47.

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46. If the  $F_1$  generation are plants with high yield and high resistance, the genotype of the  $F_1$  generation plants would be
- yyrr.
  - yyRr.
  - YyRr.
  - YYRR.
47. The process that gave rise to the  $F_1$  generation is
- test cross.
  - out-breeding.
  - cross fertilization.
  - self fertilization.



48. Replication of DNA molecules is catalysed by an enzyme called
- A. amylase.
  - B. pepsin.
  - C. ptyalin.
  - D. polymerase.
49. Who proposed the theory of evolution by natural selection?
- A. Linnaeus
  - B. Aristotle
  - C. Lamarck
  - D. Darwin
50. Which of the following statements **best** explains the reason why termites swarm at night?
- A. They can only see in the dark
  - B. Light destroys their wings
  - C. They avoid day-flying birds
  - D. Light is not necessary for swarming

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