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**GRADE 12**

**LIFE SCIENCES P1**

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**MARKS: 143**

**MARKING GUIDELINES**

**These marking guidelines consist of 9 pages.**

## PRINCIPLES RELATED TO MARKING LIFE SCIENCES

1. **If more information than marks allocated is given**  
Stop marking when maximum marks are 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 the whole process is given when only a part of it is required**  
Read all and credit the 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 the 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 the sequence and links become correct again, resume credit.
9. **Non-recognised abbreviations**  
Accept if first defined in the answer. If not defined, do not credit the unrecognised abbreviation, but credit the rest of the answer if correct.
10. **Wrong numbering**  
If the answer fits into the correct sequence of questions, but the wrong number is given, it is acceptable.
11. **If the language used changes the intended meaning**  
Do not accept.
12. **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 national memo discussion meeting.

14. **If only the 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, 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 memorandum**  
No changes must be made to the memorandum. The provincial internal moderator must be consulted.

## SECTION A

### QUESTION 1

1.1	1.1.1	C✓✓		
	1.1.2	C✓✓		
	1.1.3	A✓✓		
	1.1.4	D✓✓		
	1.1.5	A✓✓		
	1.1.6	C✓✓		
	1.1.7	D✓✓		
	1.1.8	C✓✓		
	1.1.9	B✓✓		
	1.1.10	B✓✓	(10 x 2)	<b>(20)</b>
1.2	1.2.1	Choroid✓		
	1.2.2	Parasympathetic✓		
	1.2.3	Tympanic✓membrane		
	1.2.4	Meninges✓		
	1.2.5	Cervix✓		
	1.2.6	Yellow spot✓/fovea		
	1.2.7	Acrosome✓	(7 x 1)	<b>(7)</b>
1.3	1.3.1	B only✓✓		
	1.3.2	A only✓✓		
	1.3.3	A only✓✓	(3 x 2)	<b>(6)</b>
1.4	1.4.1 (a)	B✓ Prostate gland✓		(2)
	1.4.2 (b)	D✓ Urethra ✓		(2)
	1.4.2 (a)	Seminal vesicle✓		(1)
	1.4.2 (b)	Testosterone✓		(1)
	1.4.3	Spermatogenesis✓		(1)
				<b>(7)</b>
1.5.	1.5.1 (a)	C✓ Sensory neuron✓		(2)
		E✓ Interneuron✓/connector neuron		(2)
	1.5.2	Reflex action✓		(1)
	1.5.3	(a) Multiple sclerosis✓/MS		(1)
		(b) The myelin sheath✓ is damaged✓		(2)
	1.5.4	The muscle will not receive the signal✓ to contract✓		(2)
				<b>(10)</b>

**TOTAL SECTION A: 50**

## SECTION B

### QUESTION 2

2.1	2.1.1	Internal		(1)
	2.1.2	There is a gestation period✓ of 21 days before she lays her eggs✓/ after mating she builds a nest		(2)
	2.1.3	Altricial✓		(1)
	2.1.4	The young are: - Vulnerable - Blind - Hairless✓ <b>(Mark first TWO only)</b>		(2)
	2.1.5	- They feed their young by giving them concentrated milk✓ - By sweating it out✓/through their sweat glands		(2)
				<b>(8)</b>
2.2	2.2.1	A✓ Chorionic villi✓ X✓ Endometrium✓		(4)
	2.2.2	Umbilical cord✓		(1)
		- It contains two umbilical arteries✓ - which carry deoxygenated blood✓/waste products - from the foetus to the placenta✓ and - one umbilical vein✓ - that carries oxygenated blood✓ nutrients - from the placenta to the foetus✓	Any	(5)
	2.2.3	It acts as a shock absorber to protect the foetus against mechanical injury✓		(1)
				<b>(11)</b>
2.3	2.3.1	(a) LH✓✓  (b) LH✓✓		(2)
				<u>(2)</u>
	2.3.2	The female is pregnant✓✓		(2)
	2.3.3	- High levels of progesterone✓ - inhibits the release of FSH✓ which - which is responsible for the formation of a Graafian follicle✓ - which secretes oestrogen✓	Any	(3)
				<b>(7)</b>

2.4	2.4.1	(a) Zinc supplement✓	(1)
		(b) Levels of testosterone✓in the blood	(1)
	2.4.2	To serve as a control to compare the results before and after the zinc supplements were given✓✓	(2)
	2.4.3	Reliability was ensured by using a <u>large sample size</u> , which is <u>60 males</u> ✓✓	(2)
	2.4.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Type of zinc supplement✓</li> <li>- Concentration of zinc</li> <li>- Volume of zinc✓</li> <li>- Way of administering the zinc✓</li> <li>- Time of administering the zinc supplement✓</li> </ul>	Any (2)
		<b>(Mark first TWO only)</b>	
	2.4.5	Zinc supplements increases the testosterone levels in the blood✓✓	(2)
			<b>(10)</b>
2.5	2.5.1	Hypermetropia✓/long-sightedness	(1)
	2.5.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The focal length of lens is too long✓ /lies behind the retina</li> <li>- Decrease in the length of the eyeball✓/short eyeball</li> <li>- Abnormally flat cornea✓</li> </ul>	(3)
		<b>(Mark first THREE only)</b>	
	2.5.3	Convex✓ lenses	(1)
	2.5.4	Binocular vision✓/stereoscopic vision	(1)
	2.5.5	(a) The pupil will become larger✓/wider /the diameter of the pupil will be larger	(1)
		(b) The iris✓	(1)
		(c) - The circular muscles✓	
		- relax✓	
		- The radial muscles✓	
		- contract✓	(4)
			<b>(12)</b>
<b>TOTAL QUESTION: 2</b>			<b>48</b>

### QUESTION 3

- 3.1 3.1.1 (a) C✓ - Auditory nerve✓ (2)
- (b) A✓ - Auditory canal✓ (2)
- 3.1.2 - Air is drawn into the middle ear✓  
- through the Eustachian tube✓ to  
- equalise the pressure on either side of the tympanic membrane✓ Any (2)
- 3.1.3 - The change in the speed and direction of the head✓  
- stimulates the cristae✓ in the  
- semi-circular canals✓/ampulla  
- The stimuli are converted into impulses✓  
- and transported along the vestibular branch✓ of  
- auditory nerve✓  
- to the cerebellum to be interpreted✓  
- Impulses are send to the muscles to recover the balance Any (6)  
(12)
- 3.2 3.2.1 (a) Motor✓/multipolar (1)
- (b) Sensory✓/unipolar/monopolar (1)
- 3.2.2
- | Sensory   | Motor  |
|---|--|
| Transports the impulse from the receptor to central nervous system✓ | Transports the impulse from the central nervous system to the effectors✓ |
| Unipolar✓   | Multipolar✓  |
- (Mark first TWO only) +1 Mark for table (5)
- 3.2.3 (a) Dendrite✓ – transports impulses to the cell body✓ (2)
- (b) Axon✓ (1)  
(10)

3.3	3.3.1	Adrenal✓ gland	(1)
	3.3.2	(a) Aldosterone✓	(1)
		(b) Adrenalin✓	(1)
	3.3.3	$[(1 - 0,5) / 0,5] \checkmark \times 100 \checkmark = 100\% \checkmark$	(3)
	3.3.4	<del>Increased salt concentration in the blood✓</del> <del>Decreases the secretion of aldosterone✓</del> <del>This cause less salt to be reabsorbed✓/more salt to be excreted</del> <del>which reduces water reabsorption✓</del> <del>More water remains in the renal tubules✓</del> <del>Resulting in more urine formed✓</del>	Any
			(5)
			(6)
3.4	3.4.1	(a) Hypophysis✓ pituitary gland	(1)
		(b) Thyroid gland✓	(1)
	3.4.2	Negative feedback mechanism✓	(1)
	3.4.3	(a) TSH✓	(1)
		(b) Thyroxin	(1)
	3.4.4	(a) Thyroid gland is stimulated✓ to secrete more✓ thyroxin	(2)
		(b) Less thyroxin✓ will be secreted✓/ by the thyroid gland	(2)
			(9)



3.5	3.5.1	Hypothalamus✓		(1)
	3.5.2	10 min✓		(1)
	3.5.3	Diagram 1✓		(1)
	3.5.4	<div><div>- Due to rise in body temperature✓</div><div>- the blood vessels widen✓/vasodilation</div><div>- More blood flows to the skin surface✓</div><div>- resulting in more heat loss✓</div><div>- More blood flows to the sweat glands✓</div><div>- resulting in increased sweat secretion✓</div><div>- More sweat evaporates from skin✓/ more heat loss</div></div>	Any	(5) (8)
				45
			TOTAL SECTION B:	93
			GRAND TOTAL:	143