



# basic education

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**GRADE 12**

**LIFE SCIENCES P1**

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**MARKING GUIDELINES**

**MARKS: 150**

**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 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 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.
9. **Non-recognised abbreviations**  
Accept if first defined in answer. If not defined, do not credit the unrecognised abbreviation but credit the rest of the 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.
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. Marking guidelines 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 learners' 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 consulting the provincial internal moderator who in turn will consult with the national internal moderator (and the Umalusi moderators where necessary).

**20. Official marking guidelines**

Only marking guidelines bearing the signatures of the national internal moderator and the Umalusi moderators and distributed by the National Department of Basic Education via the provinces must be used.

**SECTION A****QUESTION 1**

1.1	1.1.1	C✓✓		
	1.1.2	A✓✓		
	1.1.3	D✓✓		
	1.1.4	C✓✓		
	1.1.5	D✓✓		
	1.1.6	B✓✓		
	1.1.7	D✓✓		
	1.1.8	C✓✓		
	1.1.9	B✓✓		
	1.1.10	D✓✓	(10 x 2)	<b>(20)</b>
1.2	1.2.1	Cranium✓		
	1.2.2	Thermoregulation✓		
	1.2.3	Cataract✓		
	1.2.4	Umbilical artery✓		
	1.2.5	Hypothalamus✓		
	1.2.6	Peripheral✓ nervous system		
	1.2.7	Chorionic villi✓		
	1.2.8	Aldosterone✓		
	1.2.9	Amniotic✓ fluid		
	1.2.10	Fovea centralis✓/ yellow spot	(10 x 1)	<b>(10)</b>
1.3	1.3.1	B only✓✓		
	1.3.2	A only✓✓		
	1.3.3	Both A and B✓✓	(3 x 2)	<b>(6)</b>
	1.4.1	(a) B✓ - Iris✓		(2)
		(b) A✓ - Sclera✓		(2)
	1.4.2	(a) 2✓		(1)
		(b) 3✓		(1)
	1.4.3	(a) Circular✓ muscles		(1)
		(b) Circular✓ muscles		(1)
				<b>(8)</b>
1.5	1.5.1	Negative feedback✓ mechanism		(1)
	1.5.2	(a) Thyroid✓		(1)
		(b) TSH✓/thyroid stimulating hormone		(1)
		(c) Thyroxin✓		(1)
	1.5.3	Goitre✓		(1)
	1.5.4	Hormone A✓		(1)
				<b>(6)</b>
<b>TOTAL SECTION A:</b>				<b>50</b>

**SECTION B****QUESTION 2**

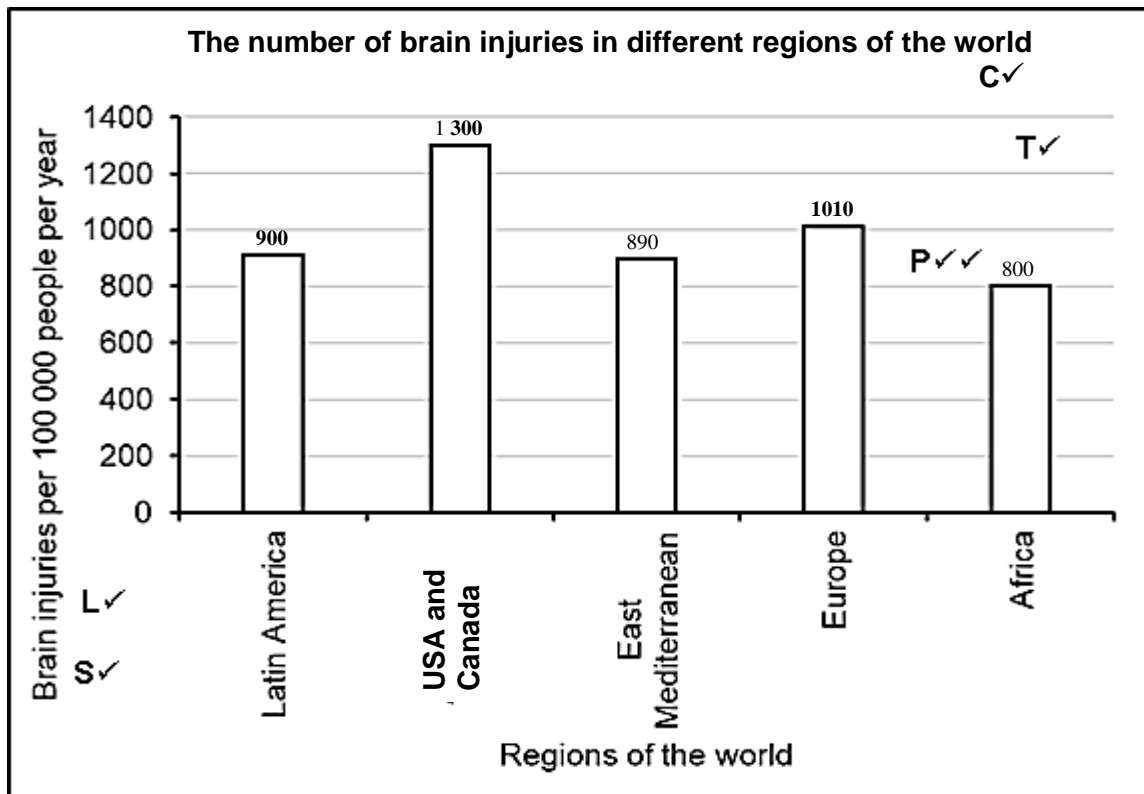
2.1	2.1.1	Seminal vesicle✓		(1)
	2.1.2	Transports semen out of the body✓ <b>(Mark first ONE only)</b>		(1)
	2.1.3	- Transports its secretions in ducts✓/ secretion not directly in blood - Does not produce a hormone✓ <b>(Mark first TWO only)</b>		(2)
	2.1.4	Spermatogenesis✓		(1)
	2.1.5	- The secretion is alkaline ✓ to neutralise the acidity of the vagina✓/ urethra - The secretion contains nutrients✓ for the sperm to generate energy for movement✓ - The secretion is a fluid✓/mucus which facilitates the movement of the sperm cells✓	Any (2 x 2)	(4) <b>(9)</b>
2.2	2.2.1	Acrosome✓		(1)
	2.2.2	- Fuses with the nucleus of the ovum✓ - Carries genetic material✓	Any	(1)
	2.2.3	- Produce energy✓/ site for cellular respiration - which is needed for movement✓ of the sperm		(2)
	2.2.4	- The oval/torpedo-shaped head✓ - will facilitate faster movement✓ - The presence of an acrosome✓/part <b>A</b> - enables the sperm to penetrate the ovum✓ - A longer tail✓ - ensures faster movement✓	Any (2 x 2)	(4) <b>(8)</b>
2.3	2.3.1	- Stimulates ovulation✓ - Stimulates the development of the corpus luteum✓ <b>(Mark the first TWO only)</b>		(2)

- 2.3.2 (a) - FSH✓/a high concentration of hormone A  
 - will stimulate follicles to develop✓  
 - Therefore, ova will be produced✓ increasing the chances to fall pregnant (3)
- (b) - A peak in hormone B✓/LH  
 - will indicate that ovulation is about to happen✓  
 - therefore, an ovum will be available for fertilisation✓ Any (2)
- 2.3.3 - The levels will remain low✓ because  
 - the high progesterone levels✓ during pregnancy  
 - will inhibit the secretion of FSH✓ /hormone A (3)  
**(10)**
- 2.4 - The Graafian follicle✓  
 - secretes oestrogen✓  
 - causing the endometrium to become thicker✓/more glandular or vascular  
 - The corpus luteum✓  
 - secretes progesterone✓  
 - which (further) increases the thickness of the endometrium✓  
 - High levels of progesterone inhibit FSH secretion✓ Any **(5)**
- 2.5 2.5.1 External✓ fertilisation (1)
- 2.5.2 - Their embryos develop inside eggs✓ that are  
 - outside the body of the female✓ (2)
- 2.5.3 - The males release semen all around the female✓  
 - A large number of gametes/ ova are produced✓ (2)
- 2.5.4 Graph X✓ (1)
- 2.5.5 - They will have a higher number of surviving embryos✓/eggs/offspring  
 - Because their fertilised eggs are attached to the vegetation✓  
 - where they are protected from predators✓/washing away (3)  
**(9)**

- 2.6      2.6.1      (a) Pancreas✓ /Islets of Langerhans (1)
- (b) Glucagon✓ (1)
- 2.6.2      (a) - The blood glucose levels will remain high✓  
                  - because the cells will not be able to absorb glucose✓ from  
                  the blood  
                  - excess glucose cannot be converted to glycogen by the  
                  liver✓/ muscles (3)
- (b) Diabetes✓mellitus (1)
- 2.6.3      - Adrenalin stimulates the liver✓  
                  - to convert glycogen to glucose✓  
                  - to increase the blood glucose levels✓ (3)
- (9)**  
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**QUESTION 3**

- 3.1 3.1.1 Corpus callosum✓ (1)
  - 3.1.2 - It controls vital processes✓/heartbeat/breathing (2)  
- which will stop✓ when it is damaged
  - 3.1.3 (a) Spinal cord✓ (1)
  - (b) - The impulses from the cerebrum✓ (2)  
- are not transmitted✓ to the skeletal muscles (2)
- (6)**
- 3.2 3.2.1 Africa✓ (1)
  - 3.2.2 - Not all brain injuries are recorded✓ (2)  
- due to poor health facilities✓
  - 3.2.3



**Criteria for marking graph:**

Criteria	Mark allocation
Bar graph is drawn (T)	1
Caption of the graph includes both variables (C)	1
Correct labels on X-axis and Y-axis (L)	1
Correct scale for Y-axis Equal spaces between bars and equal width of bars for X-axis (S)	1
Plotting: (P)	
1-4 co-ordinates plotted correctly	1
All 5 co-ordinates plotted correctly	2

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3.3	3.3.1	Cochlea✓		(1)
	3.3.2	(a) Absorbs excess pressure waves✓/releases pressure from the inner ear/ prevents an echo <b>(Mark first ONE only)</b>		(1)
		(b) It converts stimuli/pressure waves into impulses✓ <b>(Mark first ONE only)</b>		(1)
	3.3.3	- Part A/tympanic membrane will not be able to vibrate✓/vibrate freely - No/less vibrations will be carried to the middle ear✓/ossicles		(2)
	3.3.4	- Middle ear infections cause fluid build-up in the middle ear✓ - which can block the Eustachian tube✓ - The grommet will release the pressure✓ that will build up in the middle ear/ drain the fluid from the middle ear - The pressure on either side of the tympanic membrane is equalised✓ - preventing the tympanic membrane from rupturing✓ and - allowing the ossicles to vibrate freely✓	Any	(4)
	3.3.5	- The cristae are stimulated✓ and - convert the stimuli into impulses✓ - The impulses are sent via the auditory nerve✓ - to the cerebellum✓ - which interprets the information✓ and - sends impulses to the skeletal muscles✓ to restore balance	Any	(4) <b>(13)</b>
3.4	3.4.1	(a) Wearing of a facemask✓ (b) Carbon dioxide levels in blood✓		(1) (1)
	3.4.2	- Age✓ - Healthy✓ individuals <b>(Mark first TWO only)</b>		(2)
	3.4.3	150 volunteers were used✓ <b>(Mark first ONE only)</b>		(1)
	3.4.4	- To allow the carbon dioxide levels in the blood to go back to normal✓ - so that each phase will have the same carbon dioxide level as a starting point✓		(2)
	3.4.5	- To act as a control ✓/baseline - To see if it is the facemask that affects the carbon dioxide levels and not the physical activity✓	Any	(1)

	3.4.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Receptors in the carotid artery are stimulated✓ and</li> <li>- impulses are sent to the medulla oblongata✓</li> <li>- The medulla oblongata stimulates the heart✓</li> <li>- to beat faster✓ causing</li> <li>- more carbon dioxide to be taken to the lungs✓</li> <li>- The breathing muscles✓/intercostal muscles and diaphragm</li> <li>- contract more actively✓ and</li> <li>- the rate/ depth of breathing increases✓</li> <li>- More carbon dioxide is exhaled✓</li> <li>- The carbon dioxide level in the blood decreases✓ /returns to normal</li> </ul>	Any (7) <b>(15)</b>
3.5	3.5.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- (Apical) tip of the stem✓ /apical bud</li> <li>- (Apical) tip of the root✓</li> </ul> <p><b>(Mark first TWO only)</b></p>	(2)
	3.5.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Stimulate cell division✓/mitosis</li> <li>- Stimulate cell elongation✓</li> </ul> <p><b>(Mark first TWO only)</b></p>	(2)
	3.5.3	<p>Gibberellins✓</p> <p><b>(Mark first ONE only)</b></p>	(1)
	3.5.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Increased plant growth✓</li> <li>- saves species that are facing extinction✓</li> </ul>	(2) (7) <b>[50]</b>
		<b>TOTAL SECTION B:</b>	<b>100</b>
		<b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>	<b>150</b>