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BIOLOGY PAPER TWO MARCH SERIES KCSE TRIAL EXAMS 2016 TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

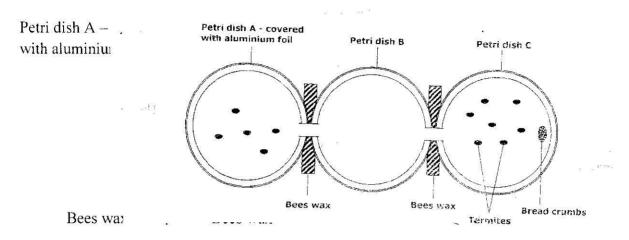
- Answer all questions in section A in the spaces provided.
- ❖ In section B, answer question 6 (compulsory) then answer either question 7 or 8.

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QUESTION	MAXIMUM SCORE	CANDIDATE'S SCORE	
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8	20		
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SECTION A

1. An experiment was done using three petridishes X, Y and Z. Petridish X was covered with aluminium foil, while C had bread crumbs placed inside. The three petridishes were joined to each other using bees wax and connected to one another through slits at the sides. A dozen termites were placed in the middle petridish (Y) The figure below shows results of the experiment. Study it and answer the questions that follow.



- (a) Name the two types of responses demonstrated by the experiment.
- (2 Mks)

(b) Which of the response is faster? Explain.

(2 Mks)

(c) Give the survival value of each of the responses.

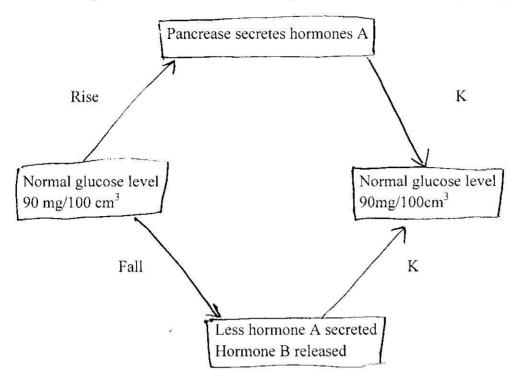
- (2 Mks)
- (d) Suppose the experiment was repeated using naphthalene in petridish Z:
- (i) Suggest the expected response if any.

(1 Mk)

(ii) Explain your answer in d (i) above.

(1 Mk)

2. The diagram below shows how blood glucose in mammalian body is regulated.



(a) (i) Name hormone A and B.

(2 Mks)

- (ii) State two ways by which hormone A lowers glucose level in blood when it rises above (2 Mks) 90 mg/100 cm.
- (b) Name the condition one would suffer from if there is failure of the pancrease to secrete (1 Mk)hormone A.
- (c) Explain why blockage of pancreatic duct hinders digestion but normal sugar regulation (2 Mks) continues.

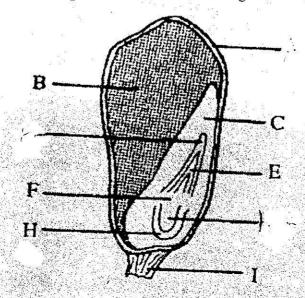
(d) Define homeostasis.

(1 Mk)

3. (a) State Mendel's first law of inheritance.

(1 Mk)

- (b) A man with normal skin colour get married to a woman with normal skin colour. They gave birth to three children, one of them is albino.
- (i) What are the possible genotypes of the parents and children? Show your working using letter A to represent gene for normal skin colour. (4 Mks)
- (ii) What is the probability that the fifth born child from the above parentage will be an albino? (1 Mk)
- (c) Define the term test cross. (1 Mk)
- (d) Explain why colour blindness is more common in males than in females. (1 Mk)
- 4. The diagram below shows longitudinal section of maize grain.



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(a) (i) Name parts labelled A and K.

(2 Mks)

(ii) State the function of part F during germination.

(1 Mk)

(b) Account for the observation made in each of the part labelled B and C when iodine solution is applied on the cut surface. (2 Mks) Part B

Part C

(c) Which type of germination is exhibited by the maize grain?

(1 Mk)

(d) State the role of water in the germination of the maize grain.

- (1 Mk)
- 5. The diagram below represents part of bones at a joint in the forelimb of a mammal.

