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Sample assessment 2020

Question and response book

Biology

Paper 1

Time allowed

- Perusal time — 10 minutes
- Working time — 90 minutes

General instructions

- Answer all questions in this question and response book.
- QCAA-approved calculator permitted.
- Planning paper will not be marked.

Section 1 (25 marks)

- 25 multiple choice questions

Section 2 (25 marks)

- 5 short response questions



Section 1

Instructions

- Choose the best answer for Questions 1–25.
- This section has 25 questions and is worth 25 marks.
- Use a 2B pencil to fill in the A, B, C or D answer bubble completely.
- If you change your mind or make a mistake, use an eraser to remove your response and fill in the new answer bubble completely.

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Section 2

Instructions

- Write using black or blue pen.
 - Respond in paragraphs consisting of full sentences.
 - If you need more space for a response, use the additional pages at the back of this book.
 - On the additional pages, write the question number you are responding to.
 - Cancel any incorrect response by ruling a single diagonal line through your work.
 - Write the page number of your alternative/additional response, i.e. See page ...
 - If you do not do this, your original response will be marked.
 - This section has 5 questions and is worth 25 marks.
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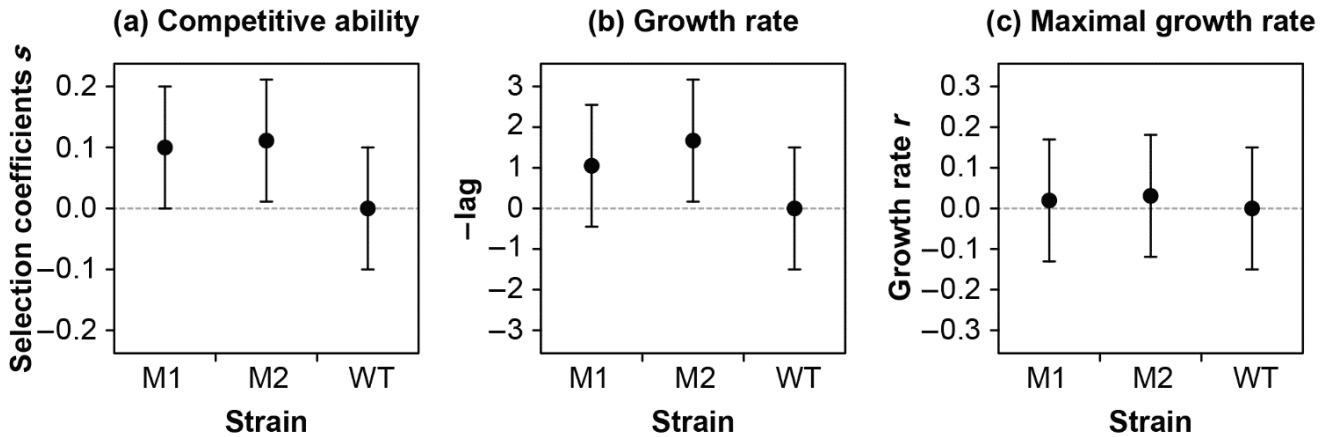
QUESTION 26 (4 marks)

Explain microevolutionary change through mutation.

QUESTION 27 (4 marks)

An experiment compared different strains of bacteria. A wild type (WT) of bacteria and two mutant strains, mutant 1 (M1) and mutant (M2), that had different disrupted genes were investigated. Maximal growth rate was used as a determinant of success rate.

The results of the experiment are shown below.



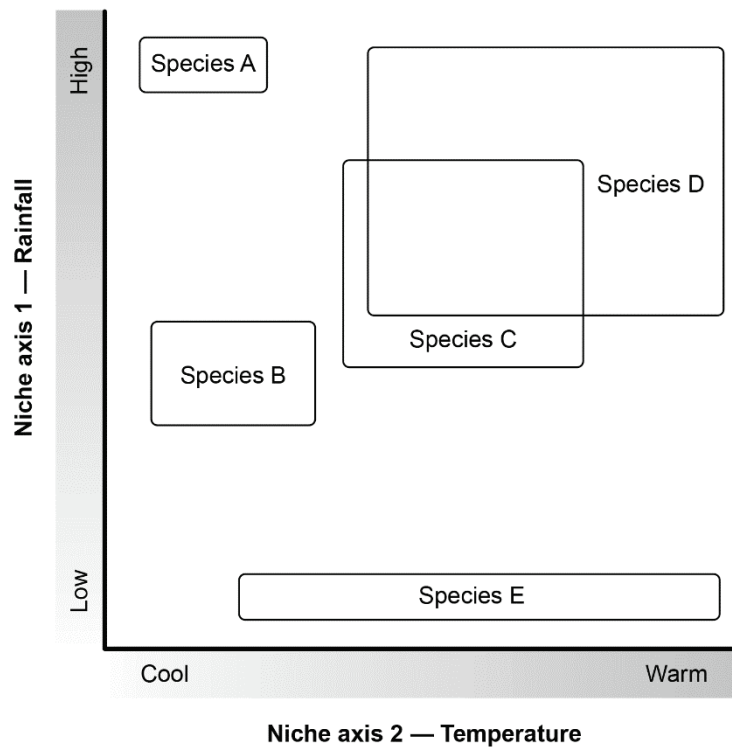
- a) Draw conclusions about the competitive ability and growth rate of the wild type of bacteria used in this experiment.

[2 marks]

b) Appraise the outcome of the data and determine the success rate of the mutations for this species. [2 marks]

QUESTION 28 (5 marks)

The figure below shows a model of ecological niche occupation by species A–E.



a) Identify which two species are occupying the same ecological niche. [1 mark]

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- b) Species A and B have a common ancestor. Which diversification pattern would have occurred between species A and species B for them to occupy these niches? *[1 mark]*

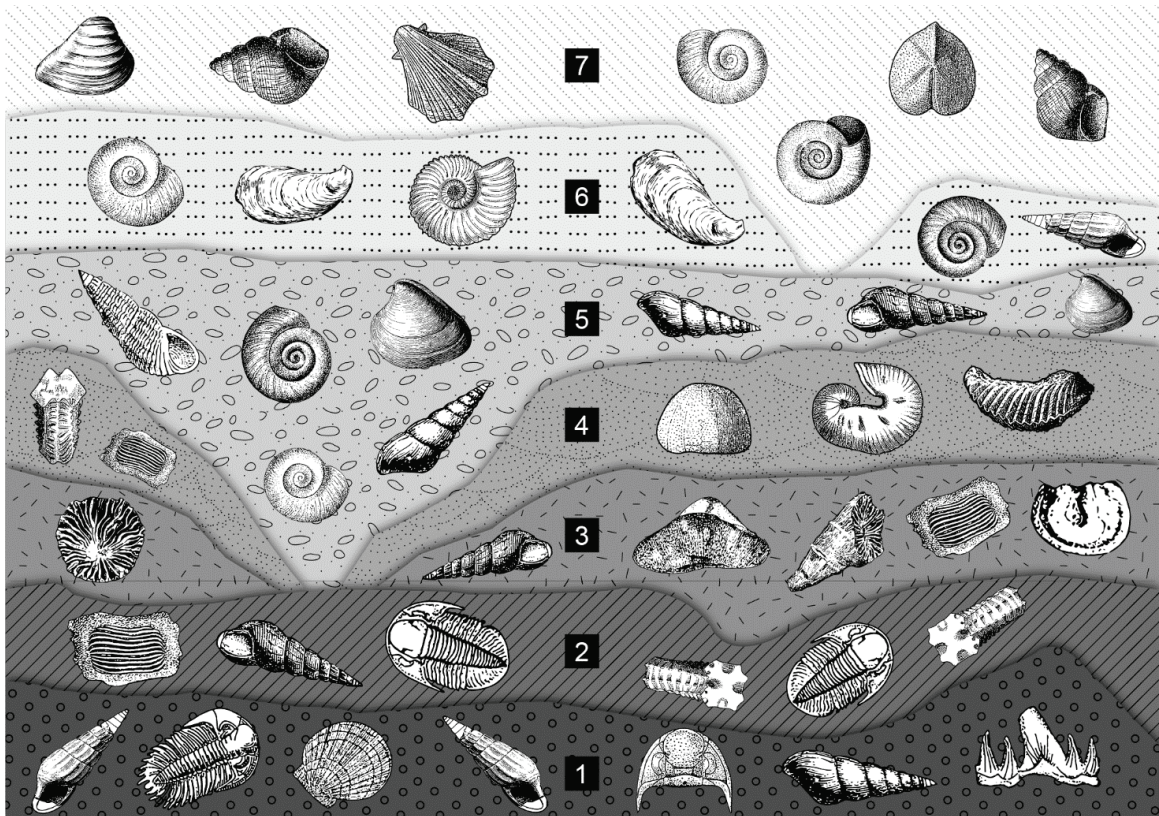
The table below shows the frequencies of genotypes and phenotypes for a particular trait in a generation of species E.

Genotype (% frequency)	Phenotype (% frequency)
TT (0)	Phenotype 1 (100)
Tt (100)	
tt (0)	Phenotype 2 (0)

- c) Predict the next generation's genotype and phenotype frequency. Which type of inheritance pattern is represented for Phenotype 1? *[3 marks]*

QUESTION 29 (6 marks)

The diagram below shows fossilised marine organisms found in a site across seven stratum layers.



- a) Analyse the data above to identify three relationships that provide evidence of changes in past ecosystems. Identify at least one biotic change and at least one abiotic change.

[3 marks]

- b) From the given information, determine the species richness (D) for strata 2.
Use the following formula:

$$D = \frac{s}{\sqrt{N}}$$

Where s = the number of different species represented in the sample and N = the total number of individual organisms in the sample

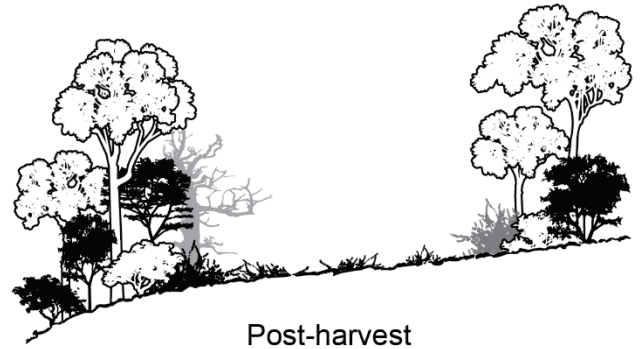
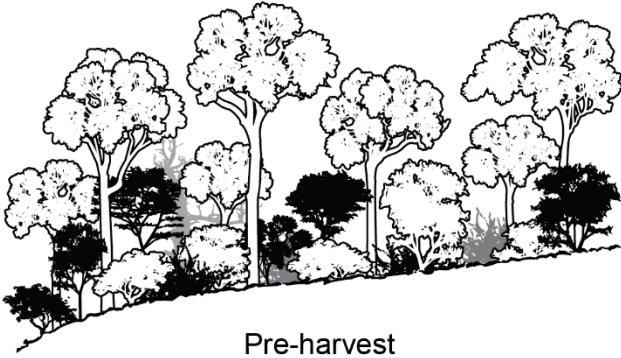
[2 marks]

- c) Identify one limitation of using fossil evidence to determine species richness.

[1 mark]

QUESTION 30 (6 marks)

The figures below show a forest before harvesting (pre-harvest) and after harvesting (post-harvest).



Identify an ecological surveying technique and sampling method that could be used to effectively analyse the change in species diversity between the two ecosystems. Identify a strength and a limitation of each of your choices.

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References

Question 27

Graphs derived from Vale, PF, Lafforgue, G, Gatchitch, F, Gardan, R, Moineau, S & Gandon, S 2015, 'Costs of CRISPR-Cas-mediated resistance in *Streptococcus thermophilus*', *Proceedings of the Royal Society B*, vol. 282, 'Figure 2' at p. 4, <https://doi.org/10.1098/rspb.2015.1270>.

Question 29

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- White, CA 1883, *A Review of the Non-marine Fossil Mollusca of North America*, United States Government Printing Office, Washington, <https://doi.org/10.5962/bhl.title.58954>.

Question 30

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