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SECTION A: ANIMAL BEHAVIOUR

Question 1: Ecological Niche

The picture below shows a Wolf spider, which is a member of the family Lycosidae. Wolf spiders have excellent adaptation to be robust, agile hunters. They have excellent eyesight and live mostly in solitude and hunt alone, and do not spin webs. Wolf spiders rely on camouflage to hide them in the leaf litter where they roam.

Figure 1: Wolf spider

a. Define adaptation.

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b. Describe the structural adaptation of the wolf spider.

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Question 2: Orientation and Navigation

The female silk moth releases a pheromone called pombykol which induced the male silk moth to fly in the direction of the female in order to mate with her.

a. Define the orientation features of this female silk moth behavior.

b. Describe the navigation features of the monarch butterflies.

c. Discuss how this migration is beneficial for the monarch butterflies.
Question 3: Timing Responses

Humans have a master circadian clock in our brain.

**Figure 2:** The human brain

Describe how the biological clock in our brain provides endogenous control of the circadian rhythms.

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Question 4: Responses to biotic environmental factors

Lions are sociable creatures and live together in prides, consist related females and a coalition of males.

Figure 3: Pride of lions

a. Explain the advantages of lions living in groups.

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Hawks are aggressive and will always battle with neighbors over resources. Doves are passive and will never fight with neighbors over resources.

![Figure 4: Hawk](image1.png) ![Figure 5: Dove](image2.png)

If a population of 100% doves is unstable, a mutation caused the introduction of a single hawk. On the other hand, if a population of 100% hawks is also unstable, a mutation caused the introduction of a single dove.

b. Discuss the impact of interactions between the hawk and the dove on the overall survival of these birds populations.

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SECTION B: GENE EXPRESSION

Question 1: DNA Structure and Replication

Explain the importance of structure and replication of DNA for gene expression.

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Question 2: Protein structure, function and synthesis.

A human being has 20,000 to 25,000 genes located on 46 chromosomes (23 pairs). These genes are known, collectively, as the human genome.

a. Define genome.

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b. Describe the main functions of proteins in the body.

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Question 3: Mutations

Scientists estimate that every one of us has between 5 and 10 potentially deadly mutations in our genes. Since there is only one copy of the bad gene, these diseases don't manifest.

a. Define genetic mutation.

b. Discuss how marriage between close relatives can possibly cause gene mutations.
Phenylketonuria (commonly known as PKU) is an inherited disorder that increases the levels of phenylalanine in the blood obtained through the diet.

The diagram below represents part of the normal metabolic pathway involving the amino acid phenylalanine within human cells. The gene controls the synthesis of the enzyme and the enzyme converts the amino acid phenylalanine to tyrosine.

**Figure 6: Metabolic Pathway**

a. Describe the features of the part of the metabolic pathway shown in the diagram above.

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b. If a gene mutation occurs, discuss the effects on the enzyme control of metabolic pathway illustrated above.

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Question 5: Gene – gene interaction

In pumpkins, *Cucurbita pepo* there are 3 types of fruit colour, White, Yellow and Green.

**Figure 7: Cucurbita Pepo**

The colour of the fruit is governed by 2 pair of genes, ‘\(W\)’ for White dominant and ‘\(Y\)’ for its recessive. White is found dominant over yellow as well as green colour. When yellow is crossed with green, yellow is found to be dominant.

a. Describe the features of this gene-gene interaction if a white pumpkin is crossed with a yellow one.

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b. Give the genotypes that can produce a green colour from this cross.

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Question 6: Linkage and sex linkage

The diagram below shows chromosomes with linked and unlinked genes:

**Figure 8: Chromosome**

a. Define ‘link genes’ using the chromosome illustrated above.

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A tortoiseshell cat is one with black and orange patches. One of several genes controlling fur color is located on the X chromosome. The gene has two versions, or alleles. One form of the gene codes for orange fur (X^B) and is dominant over the other form codes for black fur (X^b).

**Figure 9: Tortoiseshell cat**

b. Describe the inheritance of tortoiseshell colour in male cats.

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SECTION C: BIOTECHNOLOGY APPLICATIONS

Question 1: Gene Cloning

The diagram below illustrates the process of gene cloning.

Figure 10: Molecular Cloning

a. Define gene cloning.

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b. Explain the medical advantages of using bacterial plasmids to produce multiple copies of the desired gene.

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c. Discuss potential advantages of gene cloning using sound arguments and specific examples.

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Question 2: Transgenesis and DNA Profiling

The diagram below illustrates the process of transgenesis process in producing transgenic animals that produce milk containing the protein coded for by the foreign gene.

**Figure 11: Transgenesis process**

a. Define trans-genesis as illustrated in the above diagram.

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b. Discuss the applications and impact of DNA profiling.

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SECTION D: PROCESSES AND PATTERNS OF EVOLUTION

Question 1: Variation

Humans reproduce through sexual reproduction, as illustrated in Figure 12.

Figure 12: Meiosis

a. Describe the role of Process B in sexual reproduction in producing variation.

b. Discuss the importance of variation in evolution, giving specific examples.
Question 2: Natural Selection

One of the most prominent examples of artificial selection finding its way into our entertainment is the selective breeding of race horses.

**Figure 13**: Artificially bred race horses

a. Define artificial selection in horses.

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b. Explain the impact of artificial selection in the selective breeding of race horses.

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Question 3: Gene pool and allele frequency

Flower colour in pea plants is controlled by a gene. This gene comes in a white allele, $w$, and a purple allele, $W$. Each pea plant has two gene copies, which may be the same or different alleles. When the alleles are different, one—the dominant allele, $W$—may hide the other—the recessive allele, $w$. A plant’s set of alleles, called its genotype, determines its phenotype, or observable features, in this case flower color.

**Figure 14**: Original and New Generation of pea plant flowers

![Image of pea flowers showing original and new generations](image)

a. With reference to this population of pea flowers, define gene pool.

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b. Describe how allele frequency contribute to the gene pool.

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c. Calculate allele frequency of the original generation of pea flowers using Hardy-Weinberg Rule.

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d. Explain how genetic drift influences changes in the pea flowers population gene pool.

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**Question 4: Speciation**

Explain the effect of geographical isolation on pre-zygotic isolating mechanism.

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