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# GCSE COMBINED SCIENCE: TRILOGY

# F

Foundation Tier  
Biology Paper 2F

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## Materials

For this paper you must have:

- a ruler
- a scientific calculator.

## Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- In all calculations, show clearly how you work out your answer.

## Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 70.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- You are expected to use a calculator where appropriate.
- You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

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Question	Mark
<b>TOTAL</b>	

0 1

A human body cell contains 46 chromosomes.

0 1 . 1

How many chromosomes does a human sperm cell contain?

[1 mark]

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22

23

46

0 1 . 2

Draw **one** line from each word to the meaning of that word.

[3 marks]

**Word****Meaning**

Gene

A small ring of DNA in the  
cytoplasm

Genome

All the genetic material of  
an organism

Nucleus

A small section of DNA  
which codes for a proteinA structure which  
contains chromosomes

Some plants contain a harmful chemical called PTC.

Some people can taste PTC.

0 1 . 3

Suggest **one** advantage of being able to taste PTC.

[1 mark]

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Only people with a dominant allele **T** can taste PTC.

People with **only** the allele **t** cannot taste PTC.

0 1 . 4

A person has the genotype **Tt**.

What word describes the person's genotype?

[1 mark]

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Heterozygous

Phenotype

Recessive

0 1 . 5

Give the genotype of a person who **cannot** taste PTC.

[1 mark]

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**0 1 . 6** A woman and a man plan to have a child.

The woman and the man both have the genotype **Tt**.

Complete **Figure 1** to show the possible genotypes of the child.

**[2 marks]**

**Figure 1**

		<b>Woman</b>	
		T	t
<b>Man</b>	T	T T	
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**0 1 . 7** What is the chance of the child being able to taste PTC?

Use **Figure 1**.

**[1 mark]**

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0 2

Some students estimated the population of daisy plants in a field.

This is the method used.

1. Place a quadrat randomly on the field.
2. Count and record the number of daisy plants in the quadrat.
3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 another four times.

0 2 . 1

How could the students have made sure the quadrats were placed randomly?

[1 mark]

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0 2 . 2

Describe the piece of equipment called a quadrat.

[1 mark]

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**Table 1** shows the results.

**Table 1**

Quadrat number	Number of daisy plants
1	8
2	11
3	4
4	6
5	16
<b>Mean</b>	<b>X</b>

0 2 . 3

Calculate mean value **X**.

[1 mark]

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**X** = \_\_\_\_\_ daisy plants

**0 2 . 4** The field is a rectangle 100 m wide and 150 m long.

Calculate the area of the field.

**[1 mark]**

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Area = \_\_\_\_\_ m<sup>2</sup>

**0 2 . 5** The quadrat used by the students had an area of 1.0 m<sup>2</sup>

Estimate the population of daisy plants in the field.

Use your answers to Question **02.3** and Question **02.4**

**[2 marks]**

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Estimated population = \_\_\_\_\_ daisy plants

**0 2 . 6** More daisy plants grew in some parts of the field compared to other areas of the field.

Give **two** biotic factors that may affect where daisy plants grow in the field.

**[2 marks]**

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2 \_\_\_\_\_

**0 2 . 7** The students noticed that the daisy plants growing near a building were smaller.

Explain why smaller daisy plants grew near the building.

**[2 marks]**

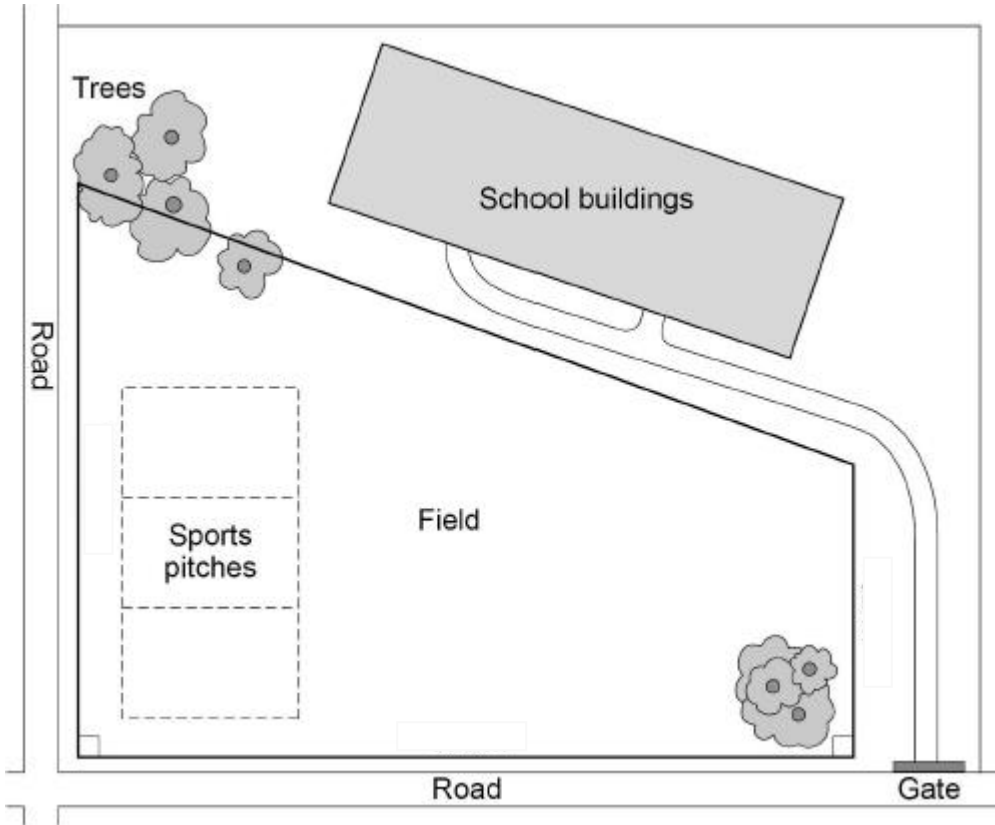
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The students noticed a very uneven distribution of daisy plants in the field.

Explain how different biotic factors **and** abiotic factors could have caused an uneven distribution of daisy plants.

Use the diagram above.

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Mineral ions are important chemicals in an ecosystem.

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Plants take in nitrate ions dissolved in water.

Which part of a plant takes in nitrate ions?

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Name **two** chemicals that are cycled between plants, the soil and the air.

Do **not** refer to nitrogen or nitrates in your answer.

[2 marks]

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2 \_\_\_\_\_

0 3 . 3

All the chemicals in a plant are recycled when the plant dies.

Describe how:

- microorganisms recycle chemicals
- the chemicals are used again by new plants.

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**0 4**

A fossil was found in rocks. The rocks were formed from mud.

The fossil is of the fungus *Ourasphaira giraldae*.

**0 4 . 1**

What is the genus of the fungus?

**[1 mark]**

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Giraldae

Ourasphaira

Ourasphaira giraldae

**0 4 . 2**

The mud around the fungus did **not** contain oxygen.

Which process did the mud around the fungus prevent?

**[1 mark]**

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Decay

Geological activity

Photosynthesis

**0 4 . 3** The fossilised fungus is estimated to be 890 000 000 years old.

What is 890 000 000 in standard form?

**[1 mark]**

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$8.9 \times 10^6$

$8.9 \times 10^7$

$8.9 \times 10^8$

$8.9 \times 10^9$

**0 4 . 4** Traditional classification divided organisms into kingdoms.

Who developed the traditional system of classification?

**[1 mark]**

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Carl Linnaeus

Carl Woese

Charles Darwin

**0 4 . 5** More recent classification methods use a three-domain system.

What is the name of the domain the fungus *Ourasphaira giraldae* is classified in?

**[1 mark]**

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Bacteria

Eukaryota

Plants

**0 4 . 6** Why has classification changed over time?

**[1 mark]**

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Electron microscopes allow more detail to be seen inside cells.

Many more types of organisms have become extinct.

Some fossils are buried so deep that they may never be discovered.

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Homeostasis regulates the internal conditions of the human body.

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Which **two** processes are regulated by homeostasis?

**[2 marks]**

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Controlling water output in urine

Defending the body against pathogens

How quickly you walk

Keeping cool on a hot day

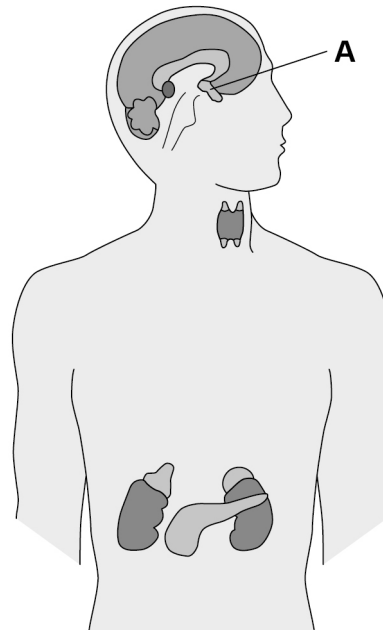
Waking up in the morning

Hormones are produced by glands in the endocrine system.

Each hormone has an effect on a target organ.

**Figure 6** shows glands of the endocrine system.

**Figure 6**



**0** **5** **2** What is the name of gland **A**?

**[1 mark]**

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Pancreas

Pituitary

Thyroid



Before eating a sugar-coated cereal a person had a blood glucose concentration of  $5.2 \text{ mmol/dm}^3$

Soon after eating the cereal the person had a blood glucose concentration of  $8.4 \text{ mmol/dm}^3$

**0** **5** **3** Calculate the increase in the blood glucose concentration.

**[1 mark]**

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Increase = \_\_\_\_\_  $\text{mmol/dm}^3$

**0** **5** **4** The person needed medication to decrease their blood glucose concentration.

Suggest what disorder the person has.

**[1 mark]**

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**0** **5** **5** There is a problem with the hormone control of the person.

What is the problem?

**[1 mark]**

Tick (✓) **one** box.

The blood is not taking hormones to target organs.

The pancreas is not releasing insulin.

The pituitary gland is not being stimulated.

0 5 . 6

The person:

- works in an office
- drives to work
- is overweight
- watches the television and reads every night
- drinks a hot chocolate every night.

Suggest **two** lifestyle changes the person could make to help treat their disorder.**[2 marks]**

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2 \_\_\_\_\_

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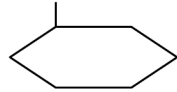
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**0 6** This question is about DNA and genes.

**0 6 . 1** Which diagram represents a DNA molecule?

**[1 mark]**

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**0 6 . 2** Describe the structure of a DNA molecule.

**[1 mark]**

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**0 6 . 3** A gene is a small section of DNA on a chromosome.

Complete the sentences.

**[2 marks]**

A gene codes for a particular sequence of \_\_\_\_\_.

This sequence makes a specific \_\_\_\_\_.

**0 6 . 4** What is meant by the term genome?

**[1 mark]**

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**0 6 . 5** The complete human genome is now known.

Which important scientific advance was made using knowledge of the human genome?

**[1 mark]**

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Discovering antibiotic resistant bacteria

Finding more foods to eat from tropical forests

Tracing how aboriginal people spread across Australia

Working out when the last ice age ended

**Q7** .The photographs show two breeds of cow.

**Friesian cow**



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**Jersey cow**



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(a) Friesian and Jersey cows can both be used for meat or to produce milk.

The information shows features of Friesian and Jersey cows.

<b>Friesian cows</b>	<b>Jersey cows</b>
Body mass up to 600 kg	Body mass up to 400 kg
Milk contains 3.4% protein	Milk contains 3.8% protein
Can be milked for 325 days after giving birth	Can be milked for 250 days after giving birth
Produce no milk for 55 days before having a calf	Produce no milk for 45 days before having a calf
Produce > 30 litres of milk per day	Produce < 30 litres of milk per day

Use **only** the information above to answer these questions.

In your answers you must make comparisons between the two breeds of cow.

(i) Give **two** advantages of a farmer keeping Friesian cows and **not** Jersey cows.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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- (ii) Give **two** advantages of a farmer keeping Jersey cows and **not** Friesian cows.

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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- (b) Cow's milk is different from human milk. Cow's milk should **not** be given to young human babies.

Scientists in China have *genetically engineered* cows to produce human milk. Milk from these cows can be fed to young human babies.

- (i) What is *genetic engineering* ?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Genes from one organism are transferred to a different organism

Cells are separated from an embryo and are transferred to host mothers

The nucleus from a body cell is transferred to an egg cell

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- (ii) Some people are worried about using milk from genetically engineered cows, to feed human babies.

Give **one** reason why.

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(1)

0 8

Figure 4 shows a food chain in a garden.

Figure 4



bean plant

→



blackfly

→



spider

→



blackbird

0 8. 1

Which term describes the spider in this food chain?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Primary consumer

Producer

Secondary consumer

Tertiary consumer

0 8. 2

Many of the spiders in the garden died.

What is likely to happen to the number of blackflies in the garden?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Decrease

Increase

Stay the same

0 8. 3

Give a reason for your answer to Question 05.2

[1 mark]

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**Table 2** shows the estimated biomass of organisms in the garden.

**Table 2**

<b>Organism</b>	<b>Biomass in g</b>
Bean plants	225
Blackflies	115
Spiders	65
Blackbirds	10

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What conclusion can be made about biomass in food chains?

**[1 mark]**

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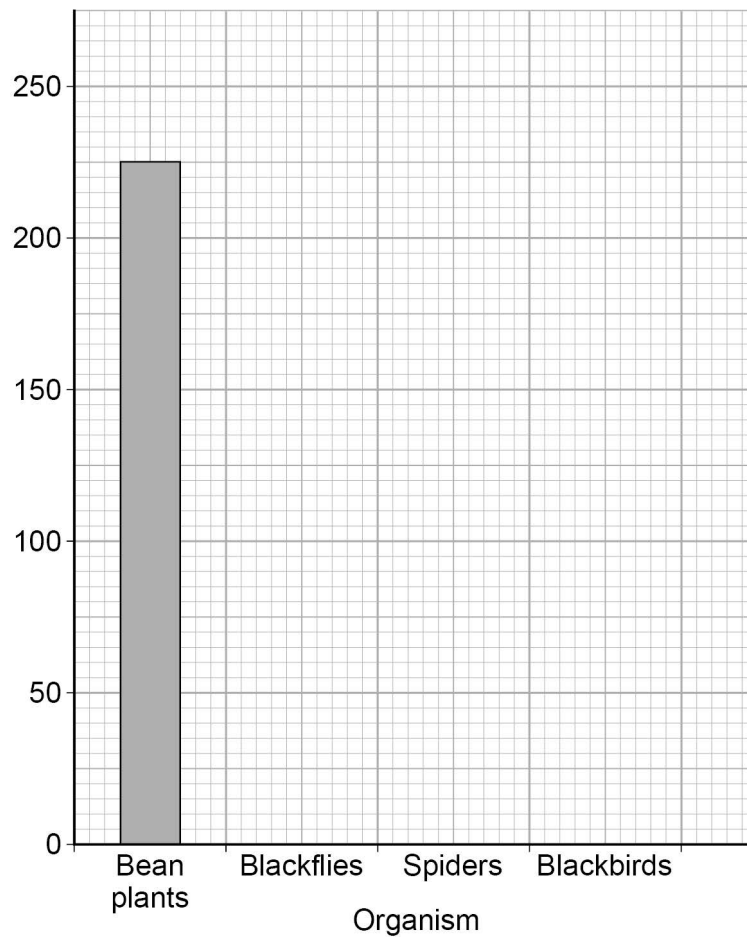
**0** **8** **5** Complete **Figure 5**.

You should:

- label the y-axis
- plot the data from **Table 2**.

**[3 marks]**

**Figure 5**



**0** **8** **6** Explain why a garden is **not** a stable community.

**[2 marks]**

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