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**BIOLOGY**  
**Paper 1**  
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**2 hours**



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**THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL****Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education****BIOLOGY****Paper 1****2 hours****0 2 3 1 5 1 4 0****Instructions to Candidates**

- (a) Write your name and index number in the spaces provided above.
- (b) Sign and write the date of examination in the spaces provided above.
- (c) Answer all the questions in this question paper.
- (d) All answers must be written in the spaces provided.
- (e) This paper consists of 11 printed pages.
- (f) Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.
- (g) Candidates should answer the questions in English.

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Question Number	Maximum Score	Candidate's Score
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*Answer all the questions in the spaces provided.*

- 1 (a) What is meant by the term binomial nomenclature? (1 mark)

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- (b) State two guidelines that should be followed when typing scientific names. (2 marks)

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- 2 During a lesson, students observed the structure of bat, cat and human forelimbs to determine their evolutionary relationship.

- (a) State the name given to the structure of the limbs observed by the students. (1 mark)

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- (b) Name the type of evolution illustrated by the structure of the limbs observed. (1 mark)

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- (c) What evidence of evolution is illustrated by the limbs? (1 mark)

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- (d) State the significance of the type of evolution illustrated by the limbs. (1 mark)

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- 3 An individual is of blood group B positive.

- (a) Name the antigens in the individual's blood. (2 marks)

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- (b) Give the reason why the individual cannot receive blood from a blood group A donor. (2 marks)

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- 4 Colour blindness is a sex linked trait controlled by a recessive gene **b**. If a mother is a carrier and the father is normal, what is the chance that their son will be colour blind? Show your working. (4 marks)

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- 5 (a) State **two** advantages of using a coverslip when preparing a specimen for observation under a light microscope. (2 marks)

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- (b) How is the low power objective lens manipulated to focus a specimen for observation under a light microscope? (2 marks)

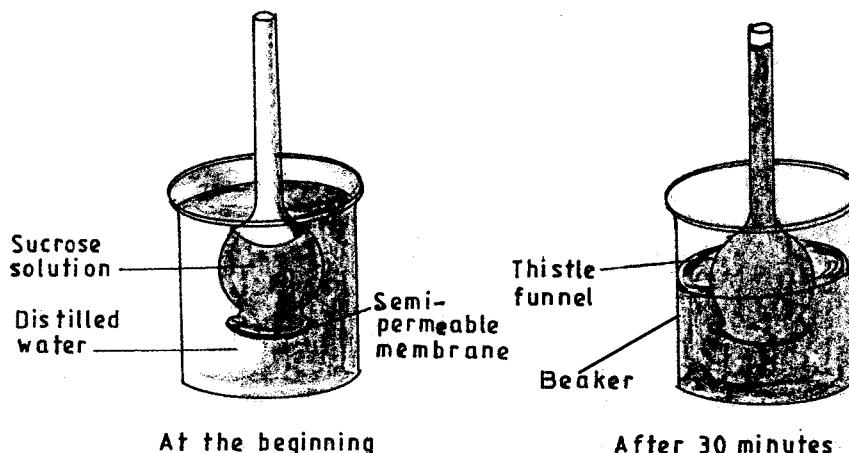
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- 6** Students set up an experiment as illustrated below.



- (a) Name the physiological process that resulted in the observations made after 30 minutes.

(1 mark)

- (b) State the importance of the physiological process investigated in plants. (1 mark)

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- (c) Explain the observations made after 30 minutes. (2 marks)

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- 7** How is a guard cell structurally adapted for gaseous exchange? (4 marks)

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8 (a) Name the organism that:

(i) causes malaria;

(1 mark)

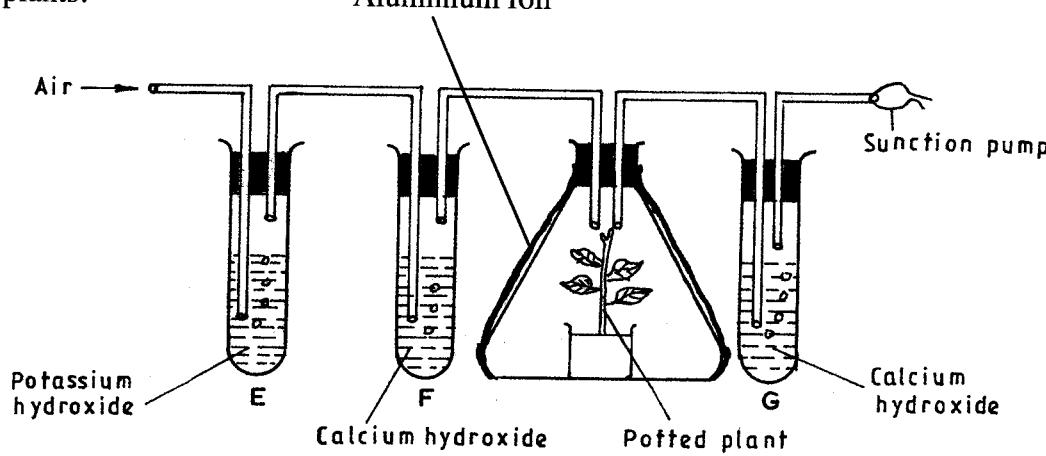
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(ii) transmits malaria.

(1 mark)

(b) State **two** control measures for malaria.

(2 marks)

9 The diagram below shows an experimental set up to investigate a certain physiological process in plants.



(a) State the aim of the experiment.

(1 mark)

(b) State the role of the following in the experiment:

(i) potassium hydroxide;

(1 mark)

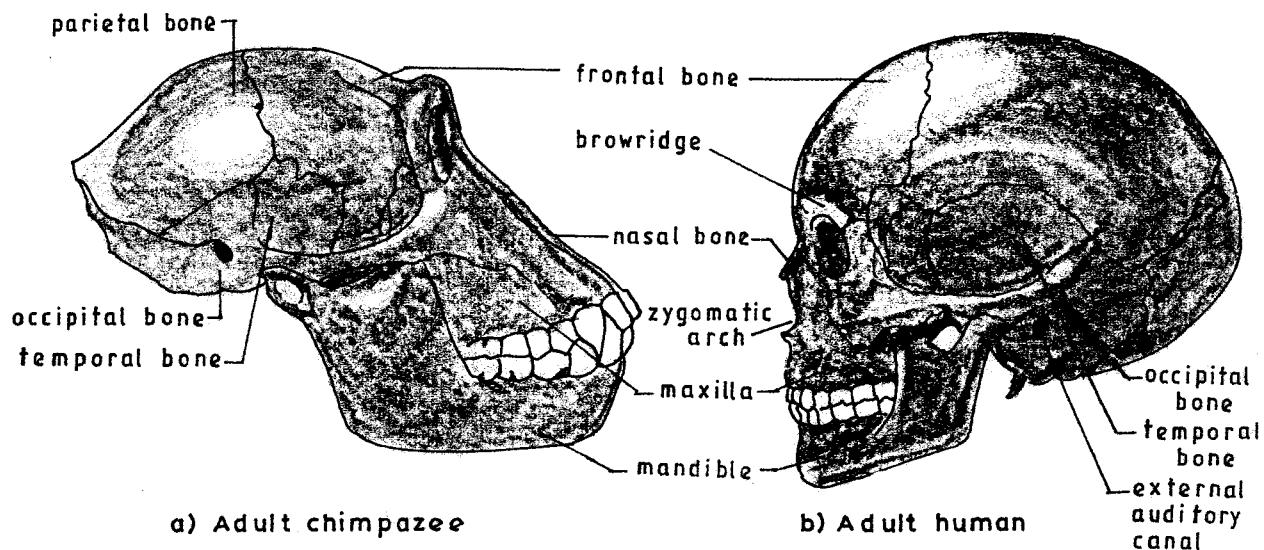
(ii) aluminium foil.

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(c) Account for the expected colour change in tube F. (2 marks)

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**10** The diagram below illustrates the skulls of adult human and chimpanzee.(a) State **one** difference between the two skulls in the following structures:

(3 marks)

	Structure	Chimpanzee Skull	Human Skull
(i)	Parietal bones		
(ii)	Mandible		
(iii)	Browridge		

- (b) State the significance of the evolution observed on the parietal bone in the chimpanzee and human skulls. (1 mark)
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- 11** Name **two** structures used for gaseous exchange in plants. (2 marks)
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- 12** (a) What is meant by each of the following:

(i) pyramid of biomass? (1 mark)

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(ii) pyramid of numbers? (1 mark)

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- (b) During an ecological visit to the Savanna Grassland, students were able to see lions, antelopes, vultures and pastoralists grazing their cattle. Construct a food chain with four consumer levels to illustrate the energy flow in the ecosystem. (2 marks)

- 13** State **three** differences between the end products of mitosis and meiosis. (3 marks)

**Mitosis**

**Meiosis**

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- 14** (a) Name **two** types of involuntary muscles in mammals. (2 marks)
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- (b) State the location of each of the muscles named in (a) above. (2 marks)

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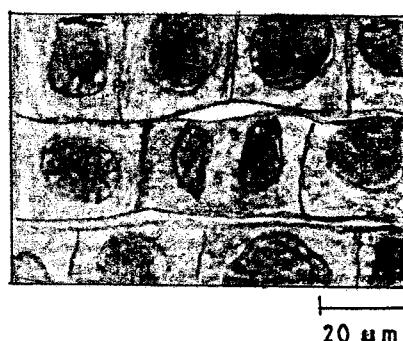
- 15 The photomicrographs below show the various stages of cell division in a certain plant.



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- (a) (i) Name the type of cell division illustrated. (1 mark)

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- (ii) Give a reason for your answer in (a) (i) above. (1 mark)

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- (b) (i) Name the stage of cell division labelled K. (1 mark)

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(ii) Give a reason for your answer in (b) (i) above.

(1 mark)

**16** State **four** structural differences between millipedes and centipedes.

(4 marks)

**Millipedes****Centipedes**

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**17** (a) How is a human stomach adapted to

(i) protein digestion?

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(ii) churning?

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(b) What happens to the glucose synthesized during photosynthesis?

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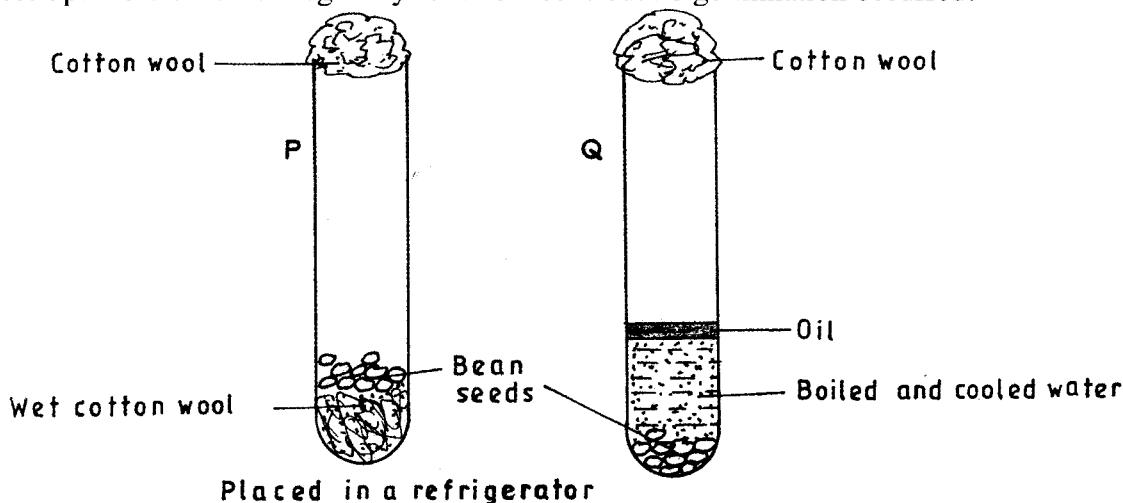
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- 18 The diagram below shows an experimental set-up to investigate the conditions necessary for germination. Test tube P was placed in a refrigerator while Q was left at room temperature. The set-ups were observed regularly for two weeks but no germination occurred.



Explain the observations in P and Q.

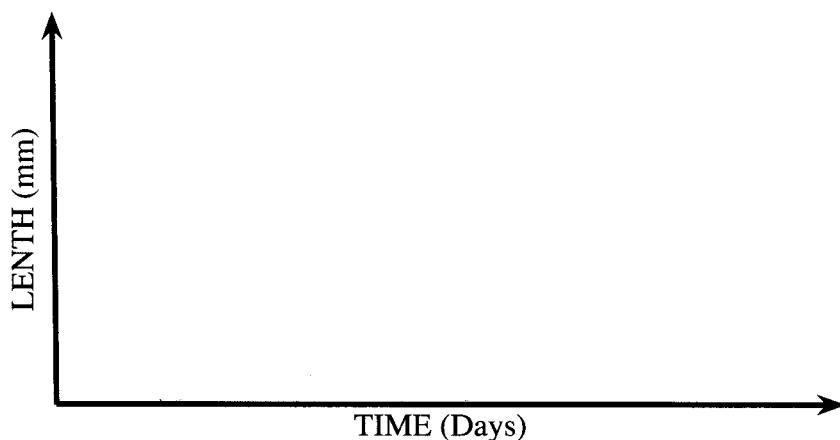
P (2 marks)

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Q (3 marks)

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- 19 (a) Using the axes provided below, sketch a curve to illustrate the growth pattern observed in the phylum arthropoda. (2 marks)



(b) Explain the growth pattern observed observed in arthropods.

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20 Below are components of a simple reflex pathway:

- interneurone;
- muscle;
- motor neurone;
- sensory neurone;
- pain receptor;
- central nervous system.

List the components in their proper sequence during the transmission of a nerve impulse.

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