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**LIFE SCIENCES P2  
MARKING GUIDELINE**

**MARKS: 150**

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This marking guideline consists of 10 pages.

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**PRINCIPLES RELATED TO MARKING LIFE SCIENCES 2017**

1. **If more information than marks allocated is given.**  
Stop marking when maximum marks are reached and put a wavy line and 'max' in the right-hand margin.
2. **If, for example, three reasons are required and five are given.**  
Mark the first three irrespective of whether all or some are correct/ incorrect.
3. **If whole process is given when only part of it is required.**  
Read all and credit relevant part.
4. **If comparisons are asked for and descriptions are given.**  
Accept if differences/similarities are clear.
5. **If tabulation is required but paragraphs are given.**  
Candidates will lose marks for not tabulating.
6. **If diagrams are given with annotations when descriptions are required.**  
Candidates will lose marks.
7. **If flow charts are given instead of descriptions.**  
Candidates will lose marks.
8. **If sequence is muddled and links do not make sense.**  
Where sequence and links are correct, credit. Where sequence and links are incorrect, do not credit. If sequence and links becomes correct again, resume credit.
9. **Non-recognised abbreviations.**  
Accept if first defined in answer. If not defined, do not credit the unrecognised abbreviation but credit the rest of answer if correct.
10. **Wrong numbering.**  
If answer fits into the correct sequence of questions but the wrong number is given, it is acceptable.
11. **If language used changes the intended meaning.**  
Do not accept.
12. **Spelling errors.**  
If recognisable accept provided it does not mean something else in Life Sciences or if it is out of context.
13. **If common names given in terminology.**  
Accept provided it was accepted at the memorandum discussion meeting.

14. **If only letter is asked for and only name is given (and vice versa).**  
Do not credit.
15. **If units are not given in measurements.**  
Candidates will lose marks. Memorandum will allocate marks for units separately.
16. **Be sensitive to the sense of an answer, which may be stated in a different way.**
17. **Caption.**  
All illustrations (diagrams, graphs, tables, etc.) must have a caption.
18. **Code-switching of official languages (terms and concepts).**  
A single word or two that appears in any official language other than the learners' assessment language used to the greatest extent in his/her answers should be credited, if it is correct. A marker that is proficient in the relevant official language should be consulted. This is applicable to all official languages.
19. **Changes to the memorandum**  
No changes must be made to the marking memoranda without consulting the provincial internal moderator.

## SECTION A

## QUESTION 1

- |     |        |                                      |          |      |
|-----|--------|--------------------------------------|----------|------|
| 1.1 | 1.1.1  | B ✓✓                                 |          |      |
|     | 1.1.2  | B ✓✓                                 |          |      |
|     | 1.1.3  | A ✓✓                                 |          |      |
|     | 1.1.4  | A ✓✓                                 |          |      |
|     | 1.1.5  | C ✓✓                                 |          |      |
|     | 1.1.6  | B ✓✓                                 |          |      |
|     | 1.1.7  | A ✓✓                                 |          |      |
|     | 1.1.8  | B ✓✓                                 |          |      |
|     | 1.1.9  | D ✓✓                                 |          |      |
|     | 1.1.10 | C ✓✓                                 | (10 x 2) | (20) |
| 1.2 | 1.2.1  | DNA profiling ✓ (DNA fingerprinting) |          |      |
|     | 1.2.2  | Uracil ✓                             |          |      |
|     | 1.2.3  | Cytokinesis ✓                        |          |      |
|     | 1.2.4  | Ribosome ✓                           |          |      |
|     | 1.2.5  | Deoxyribose ✓                        |          |      |
|     | 1.2.6  | Fossils ✓                            |          |      |
|     | 1.2.7  | Alleles ✓                            |          |      |
|     | 1.2.8  | Extinction ✓                         |          |      |
|     | 1.2.9  | Prognathous ✓                        |          |      |
|     | 1.2.10 | Locus ✓                              | (10 x 1) | (10) |
| 1.3 | 1.3.1  | Both A and B ✓✓                      |          | (2)  |
|     | 1.3.2  | A only ✓✓                            |          | (2)  |
|     | 1.3.3  | None ✓✓                              |          | (2)  |
| 1.4 | 1.4.1  | C B E ✓ F A D ✓                      |          | (2)  |
|     | 1.4.2  | In the nucleus ✓                     |          | (1)  |
|     | 1.4.3  | A ✓ D ✓ F ✓                          |          | (3)  |
|     | 1.4.4  | TGG ✓                                |          | (1)  |
|     | 1.4.5  | Leucine ✓                            |          | (1)  |
| 1.5 | 1.5.1  | Pedigree ✓ /Genetic lineage diagram  |          | (1)  |
|     | 1.5.2  | 3 ✓                                  |          | (1)  |
|     | 1.5.3  | (a) Black ✓ fur                      |          | (1)  |
|     |        | (b) Black ✓ fur                      |          | (1)  |
|     | 1.5.4  | (a) aa ✓                             |          | (1)  |
|     |        | (b) Aa ✓                             |          | (1)  |

**TOTAL SECTION A: 50**

SECTION B

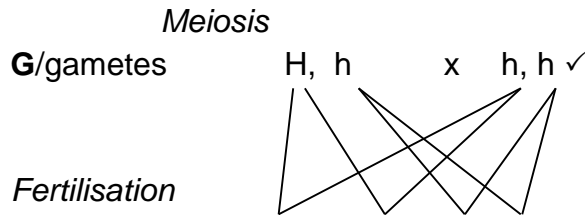
QUESTION 2

- 2.1 2.1.1 45 ✓ (1)
- 2.1.2 The are two X chromosomes ✓/ XX / The gonomes are the same. (1)
- 2.1.3 3 chromosomes present at position 21 ✓ (2)
- 2.1.4 Down's Syndrome ✓/ Trisomy 21 (1)
- 2.1.5 Nondisjunction ✓ (1)

- 2.2. - Double stranded DNA unwinds ✓
  - and unzips ✓/separate when
  - the hydrogen bonds break ✓
  - each DNA strand is used as a template ✓
  - to form a complementary DNA strand ✓/ A-T and G-C
  - using free DNA nucleotides from the nucleoplasm ✓
  - Two genetically identical DNA molecules are formed ✓
  - This process is called **DNA replication / replication\*** ✓
- (Any 6 +\*1 compulsory mark) (7)

- 2.3 2.3.1 3 ✓ (1)
- 2.3.2 (a) Blood group A ✓ (1)
- (b) I<sup>A</sup>I<sup>B</sup> ✓ (1)
- (c) I<sup>A</sup>I<sup>B</sup> ✓ I<sup>B</sup>I<sup>B</sup> ✓ I<sup>B</sup>i ✓ (3)

2.4 P<sub>1</sub>/parent Phenotype: short-haired x long-haired ✓  
 Genotype: Hh x hh ✓



F<sub>1</sub>/offspring Genotype: Hh ; Hh ; hh; hh ✓  
 Phenotype: 2 short-haired cats, 2 long-haired cats ✓

**\*50% chance of heterozygous offspring** ✓

Parents and offspring ✓/P<sub>1</sub> and F<sub>1</sub>

Meiosis and fertilisation ✓

(Any 5 + \*1 compulsory mark)

OR

**P<sub>1</sub>/parent** Phenotype: short hair x long hair ✓  
 Genotype: Hh x hh ✓

*Meiosis*

**G/gametes** H, h x h, h ✓

<i>Fertilisation</i>	Gamete	H	h
	h	Hh	hh
	h	Hh	hh
1 mark for correct gametes			
1 mark for correct genotypes			

**F<sub>1</sub>/offspring** Genotype: Hh ; Hh ; hh ; hh ✓  
 Phenotype: 2 short-haired cats, 2 long-haired cats ✓

**\*50% chance of heterozygous offspring**

Parents and offspring ✓/P<sub>1</sub> and F<sub>1</sub>

Meiosis and fertilisation ✓ (Any 5 + \*1 compulsory mark) (6)

2.5 2.5.1 Genetic modification ✓/ genetic engineering (1)

2.5.2 The Bt corn will have a higher yield than the non-Bt corn ✓✓

**OR**

The Bt corn will have a lower yield than the non-Bt corn ✓✓

**OR**

The Bt corn will have similar yield as the non-Bt corn ✓✓ (2)

2.5.3 (a) Corn variety ✓/ Type of corn (1)

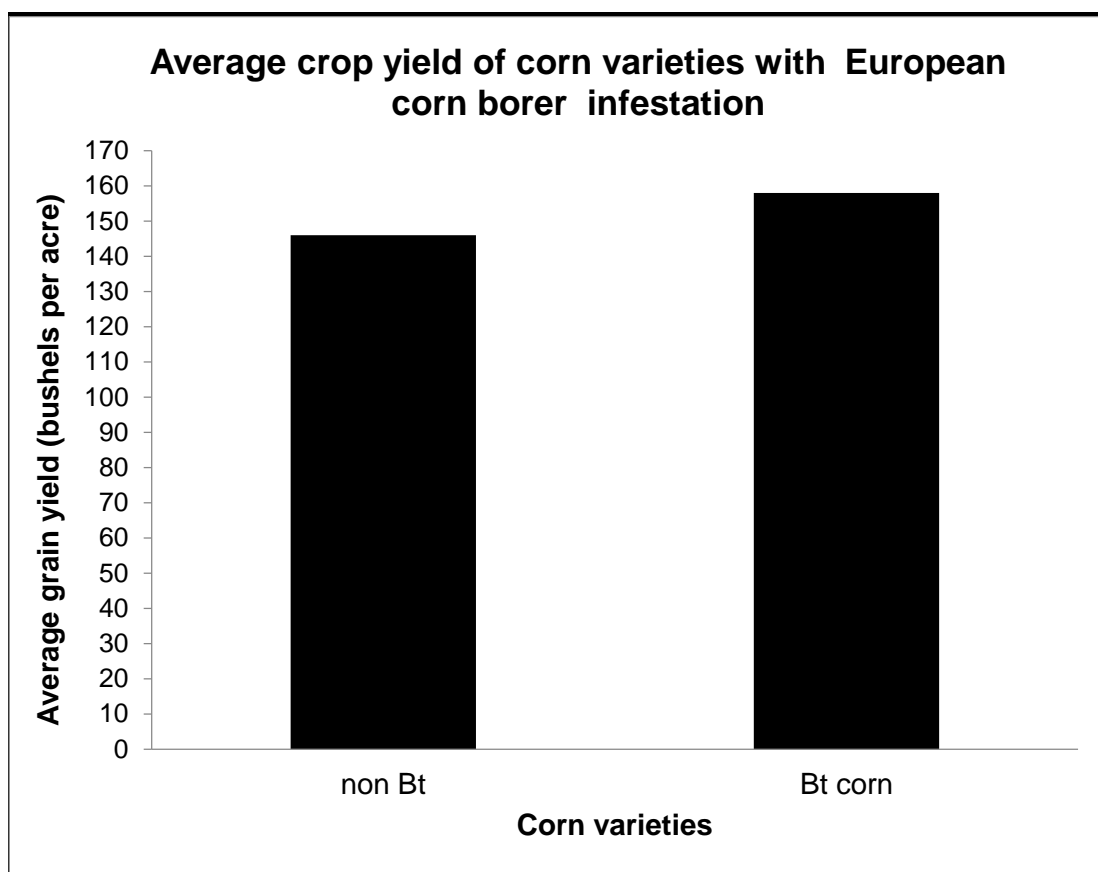
(b) Average crop yield ✓ (1)

2.5.4 The experiment was repeated four times. ✓  
**(MARK FIRST ONLY)** (1)

2.5.5 Bt corn effectively increased crop yield ✓ as it produced poison which killed the ECB worm. ✓ (2)

2.5.6 - Less use of pesticides/herbicides ✓ therefore save money ✓  
 - Better yields ✓ to create more efficient use of land ✓  
 - Foods with better texture ✓ therefore reduces wastage ✓  
 - Food with longer shelf life ✓ can be easily exported ✓  
**(MARK FIRST ONLY)** (Any 1 x 2) (2)

2.5.7

**Mark allocation of the graph**

Criterion	Elaboration	Mark
Type of graph (T)	Bar graph drawn	1
Caption (C)	Includes both variables: average crop yield of two corn varieties with European corn borer infestation	1
X-axis	Equal width of bars AND correct label	1
Y-axis	Appropriate scale, correct label and unit	1
Plotting (P)	1 bar plotted correctly	1
	2 bars plotted correctly	2

**NOTE:**

If a line graph is drawn – marks will be **awarded** for the ‘title and label for X-axis. and Y-axis only.

If axes are transposed – marks will be **lost** for the label for the X-axis. and Y-axis.

(6)  
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## QUESTION 3

- 3.1 3.1.1 Meiosis I ✓ (1)
- 3.1.2 - Haploid cells produced ✓/ Cells produced have half of the original number of chromosomes  
 - Homologous chromosomes separate and move to opposite poles at C ✓ (Any 2 x 1) (2)
- 3.1.3 C – Anaphase 1 ✓ D – Telophase1 ✓ (2)
- 3.2 3.2.1 - After application of the insecticide in 1995 to 1998 there was an increase in the percentage of resistant insects, ✓ from 0,15% in 1995 to 99,10% in 1998. ✓  
 - The percentage of the non-resistant insects decreased ✓ from 99,85% to 0,90% ✓ (Any 3 x 1) (3)
- 3.2.2 - There is variation in the insect population ✓  
 - Some were resistant and some were not. ✓  
 - When the insecticide was first used, it killed off a large number of non-resistant insects ✓  
 - Some insects were resistant to the insecticide ✓ and survived ✓  
 - Those that survived were able to reproduce ✓  
 - thereby passing on the allele (gene) for resistance to offspring ✓  
 - Continued use of the insecticide had little effect on the resistant insects ✓  
 - Hence the resistant insects increased ✓ and non-resistant insects decreased. ✓ (Any 6 x 1) (6)
- 3.3 3.3.1 Speciation ✓ (through geographic isolation) (1)
- 3.3.2 - The original population ✓ of salamanders  
 - became separated ✓ into two sub- populations  
 - **\*by the central valley** ✓  
 - No gene flow ✓ occurred between the two sub-populations  
 - Each population was exposed to different environmental conditions ✓/selection pressures  
 - Natural selection occurred independently in each sub-population ✓  
 - The individuals of each sub-population became different ✓  
 - genotypically and phenotypically ✓ from each other.  
 - Even if the two sub-populations were to mix ✓  
 - they would be unable to interbreed ✓/ reproduce  
 - resulting in the formation of species B. (Any 5 + 1\* compulsory) (6)
- 3.3.3 In punctuated equilibrium:  
 - Evolution involves long periods of time where species do not change ✓/ very little change occurs  
 - This alternates with short periods of time when rapid changes occur ✓  
 - New species are formed in a short period of time ✓/ relative to the long periods of no/little change.  
 - Supported by the absence of transitional fossils ✓ (Any 3 x 1) (3)



- 3.4 3.4.1 (a) 3 ✓ (1)
- (b) 1 ✓ (1)
- (c) 2 ✓ (1)

3.4.2 Pelvis B ✓ and skull 1 ✓ (2)

3.4.3

Feature	Skull 1	Skull 3
X-foramen magnum	Located in a backward position ✓	Located in a more forward position ✓
Y-brow ridge	Less pronounced ✓	More pronounced ✓

(MARK FIRST TWO ONLY) (2 x 2 + 1 mark for table) (5)

3.4.4 It has the most developed canines. ✓ (1)

- 3.4.5 - The mitochondrial DNA in the zygote is inherited from the mother. ✓
- Any mutation ✓
- in the mitochondrial DNA ✓ can be traced back
- to a female from Africa ✓ (mitochondrial Eve)
- This proves that all women originated from Africa ✓
- and from there her offspring covered the earth. ✓ (Any 5 x 1) (5)

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**TOTAL SECTION B: 80**

**SECTION C****QUESTION 4****Sources of genetic variation: meiosis ✓**

- Gametes produced by meiosis are different because of:
- crossing over ✓ during first prophase ✓
- random arrangement of chromosomes ✓ during first metaphase ✓ and
- second metaphase

**Random mating as a source of variation ✓**

- In humans and some other mammals, mating takes place between individuals who select mating partners of a particular kind. ✓
- In most other species, mating takes place randomly amongst all individuals within the population ✓ / more than one mating partner

**Chance fertilisation of egg cells by sperm cells ✓**

- Usually more than one egg cell and sperm cells are produced ✓ and these are all different. ✓
- Fusion of many types of sperm cells and egg cells ✓ can produce many different types of offspring. ✓

**Mutations ✓**

- Mutations are sudden, random changes in the genetic code of an organism ✓
- A gene ✓ mutation occurs
- as a result of a change in the sequence of nitrogen bases ✓ in the DNA molecule
- can result in the formation of a different protein ✓
- leading to new/different characteristics ✓
- A chromosome ✓ mutation occurs
- as a result of a change in the structure / number of chromosomes ✓
- Mutations occurring in sex cells ✓
- are passed on to offspring and new generations ✓
- resulting in new characteristics being formed ✓

**Content:** (17)  
**Synthesis:** (3)

**ASSESSING THE PRESENTATION OF THE ESSAY**

Criterion	Relevance (R)	Logical sequence (L)	Comprehensive (C)
<b>Generally</b>	All information provided is relevant to the topic	Ideas are arranged in a logical / cause-effect sequence	All aspects required by the essay have been sufficiently addressed
<b>In this essay</b>	Only information relevant to the description of sources of genetic variation is given	Information regarding description of sources of genetic variation is given in a logical and sequential manner within each sub-heading.	At least <b>12/17</b> correct points on sources of genetic variation are given.
<b>Mark</b>	1	1	1

**TOTAL SECTION C:** 20  
**GRAND TOTAL:** 150