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INSTRUCTIONS T O CANDIDATES

1. Write your name and index number in the spaces provided above.
- 2.. Sign and write the date of the examination in the spaces provided .
3. Answer all the question in the spaces provided above.
4. T his paper consist of two sections A and B.
5. In section B,answer question 6 (compulsory) and either question 7 or 8 in the spaces provided after question 8.
6. This paper consist of 12 printed pages.
7. Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.

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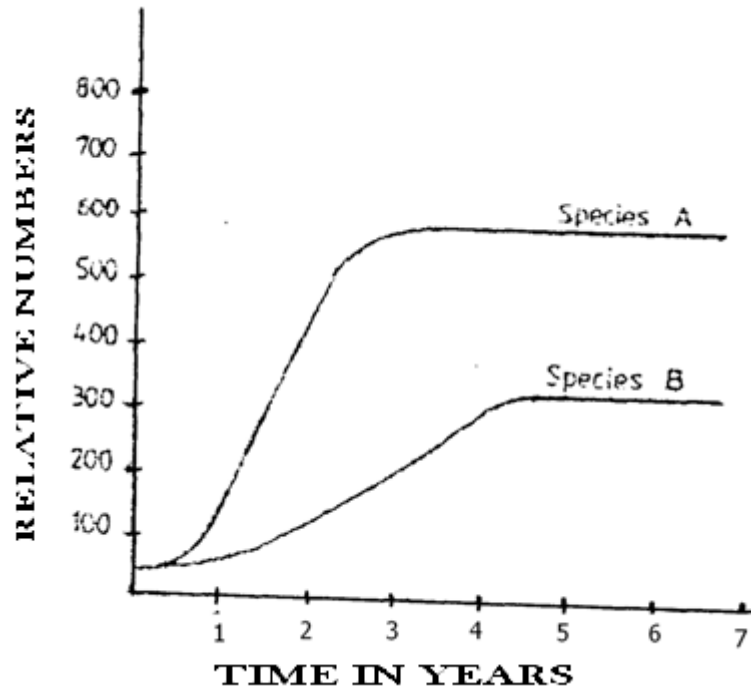
SECTION	QUESTIONS	MAXIMUM SCORE	CANDIDATE'S SCORE
A	1	08	
	2	08	
	3	08	
	4	08	
	5	08	
B	6	20	
	7	20	
	8	20	
TOTAL SCORE		80	

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SECTION A (40 MARKS)

Answer All questions in this section

1. Two herbivorous mammalian species were introduced into an ecosystem at the same time and in equal numbers. The graph below represents their populations during the first seven years. Study the graph and answer the questions that follow.



- a) i) Which species has a better competitive ability? (1 mark)

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- ii) Give reason for your answer (1 mark)

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- b) Account for the shape of the curve of species A between

- i) One year and three years (2 marks)

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- ii) Three years and seven year (2 marks)

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- c) A natural predator for species A was introduced into the ecosystem.
 With a reason state how the population of each species will be affected (2 marks)

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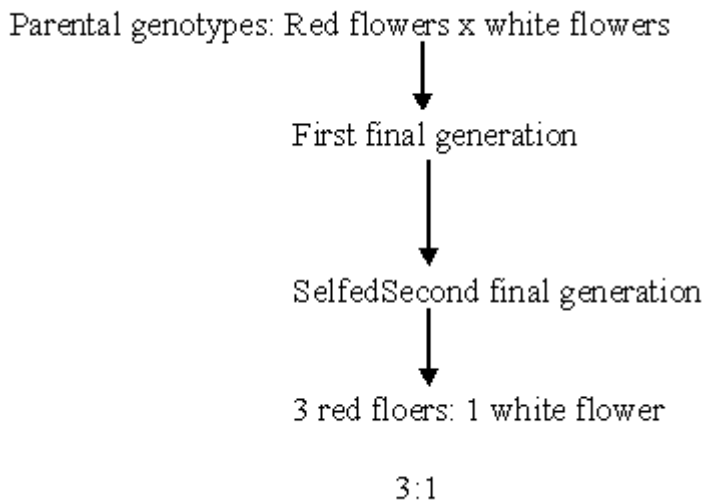
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- 2 The chart below represents the result of successive crosses, starting with red flowered plants and white flowered plants in which both plants are pure breeding



- a) What were parental genotype ? Use letter R to represent the gene for red colour and r for white colour (1 mark)

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- b) i) What was the colour of the flowers in the first filial generation? (1 mark)

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

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- c) If 480 red flowered plants were obtained in the second filial generation, how many F2 plants had white flowers? Show your working (5 marks)

3. A form 1 student placed a red blood cell in a solution and made an observation as follows.
Start of experiment/ end of experiment

- a) i) In what solution was the red blood cell placed? (1 mark)
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- ii) Explain the observation above (2 marks).
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b) If the red blood cell was replaced by a plant cell what would be the observation (2 marks)

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c) Why don't the red blood cell undergo the same changes as above while in the body. (3 marks)

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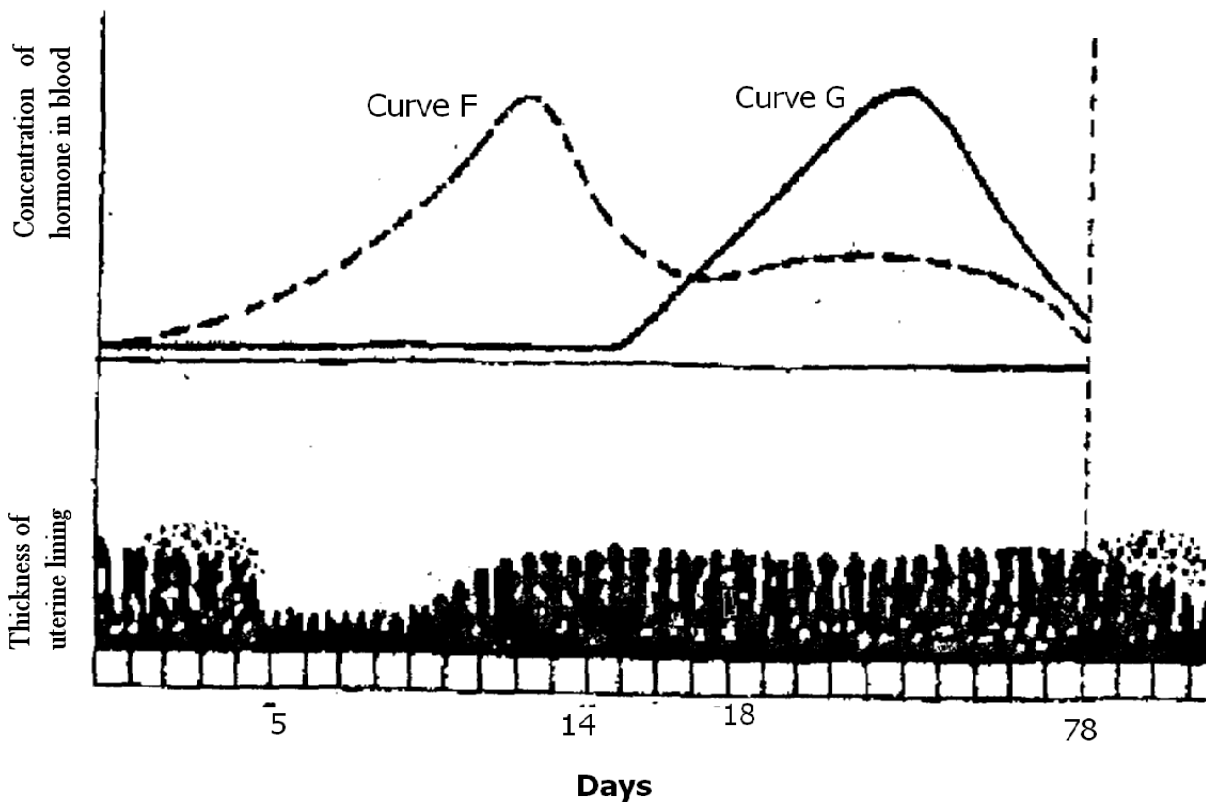
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4. The figure shows changes that take place during menstrual cycle in human



a) Name the hormone whose concentrations are represented by curves F and G (2 marks)

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b) State the effects of the hormones named in (a) above on the lining of the uterus (2 marks)

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c) i) Name the hormone which is released by the pituitary gland in high concentration on the 14th day of the menstrual cycle (1 mark)

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ii) State two functions of the hormone named in (c) (i) above (2 marks)

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d) State the fertile period during the menstrual cycle (1 mark)

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5. The diagram below represents a bone obtained from a mammal



a) Name the bone (1 mark)

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b) Name the:

i) Bone which articulate with the bone named in (a) above at the cavity labeled K;
(1 mark)

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ii) Joint formed by the two bones (1 mark)

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c) State the function of the part labeled J

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d) Explain how the pelvic girdle is adapted to its function (4 marks)

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Section B

Answer question six in the spaces provided and either question 7 or 8 in the spaces provided after question 8

6. An experiment was carried out to investigate the nutritional value of two dry powder animal feeds X and Y over a period of six months. Twenty 5 month's old castrated goats were used. The goats were divided into two equal groups A and B.

The animals in group A were fed on feed X throughout the experiment while those of group B were fed on feed Y.

The feeds were supplemented with dry hay and water. The average body weight of each group of goats and the weight of the dry powder feeds were determined and recorded each month. The faeces produced by each group was dried and weighed and the average dry faecal output per month was also recorded. The results are as shown below.

	GROUP	A		GROUP	B	
Months since commencement of the experiment	Average total weight of goats(Kg)	Average weight of total feed(Kg)	Average monthly dry faecal output(Kg)	Average total weight of goats(Kg)	Average weight of total feed(Kg)	Average monthly dry faecal output(Kg)
0	20.4	26.7	10.5	20.5	35.4	16.5
1	22.5	27.5	10.7	19.5	34.3	17.7
2	24.5	25.8	10.3	19.0	35.2	17.2
3	26.3	18.5	8.8	18.5	36.1	17.5
4	28.0	16.6	7.2	17.1	36.0	16.9
5	29.4	16.3	6.0	16.3	35.8	16.8
6	29.5	16.1	5.6	15.6	35.5	16.6

a) i) What is the relationship between the amount of feed and the faecal output(2 marks)

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ii) Work out the average increase in weight for the animal's in group A during:
 The first four months

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The last two months

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(4 marks)

- iii) Account for the average increase weight in goats in group A during:
The first four months

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The last two months

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- iv) Which of the two feeds is more nutritious? Give reason for your answer

(2 marks)

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- b) Explain the digestion of lipids in humans (8 marks)

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- 7 a) Describe how semicircular canals perform their functions (8 marks)
b) Describe how the cervical, lumbar and sacral vertebrae are suited to their functions (12 marks)
- 8 a) State four characteristics of gaseous exchange surfaces. (4 marks)
b) Explain the theories for opening and closing of the stomata (16 marks)

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