

**MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2011 question paper
for the guidance of teachers**

5038 AGRICULTURE

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Paper 1, maximum raw mark 100

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Section A

- 1 (a) N = nitrogen, P = phosphorus, K = potassium;;
3 correct = 2 marks, 2 or 1 correct = 1 mark
- (b) fertiliser: B
reason: high(est) proportion of potassium;
potassium promotes flower/fruit development; [2]
- (c) (i) suitable example (such as ammonium nitrate); [1]
- (ii) advantage – cost/availability/soil improver/OVP;
disadvantage – bulky to handle/store/unknown content/OVP; [2]
- [Total: 7]**
- 2 (a) (i) advantage – durability/easy to clean/doesn't harbour pests/OVP;
disadvantage – lacks insulation/cost/availability/OVP; [2]
- (ii) appropriate example, e.g. thatch – no mark
advantage – appropriate to example;
disadvantage – appropriate to example; [2]
- (b) control temperature/avoid damp conditions/discourage fungal conditions/parasites/respiratory disease/OVP; [1]
- (c) clean housing/removing dung/bedding;
clean feeders/drinkers;
clean food/water;
control flies;
use of disinfectants;
use of foot bath;
other example;
vaccination;
use of prophylactic drugs;
OVP; [max 3]
- [Total: 8]**
- 3 (a) c of g higher in **B**/lower in **A**
B has narrower wheelbase than **A**;
In **B** – (vertical line drawn from) c of g falls outside wheel base;
In **A** – (vertical line drawn from) c of g falls inside wheel base; [max 3]
- (b) availability of machinery/spares/fuel;
availability of skilled labour;
size of farm/fields; [max 2]

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- (c) any 2 examples, each with explanation
2 × 2 =
terracing;;
contour cultivation/ploughing/;;
contour drainage;;
grass bunds;;
maintaining crop cover;; [4]

[Total: 9]

- 4 (a) (i) 2000; [1]
(ii) untreated – 6600;
treated – 600; [2]

- (b) (i) natural predators/life cycle of pest/competition; [1]
(ii) *description* – (rapid) reduction in numbers for 2 weeks/minimum population reached in 2 weeks; never reaches zero;
population then begins to increase;
continues over 5 weeks; [3]
explanation - remaining pests are resistant to/pests develop resistance to insecticide/a few untouched by insecticide so can reproduce; [1]

- (iii) apply second treatment/direct spray more effectively/use greater concentration; [1]

- (c) wear protective clothing;
use respirator;
do not use in windy conditions;
do not eat/smoke when using;
OVP's related to use, **not** storage; [2]

[Total: 11]

- 5 (a) Tt; [1]
(b) cross to show Tt x Tt;
produces three genotypes TT, Tt, tt;
with two phenotypes – TT and Tt are tall, tt are short; [3]

- (c) (i) uniformity → easier harvesting/all ready at same time/known quality/OVP; [1]
(ii) reduces costs/variation may reduce pest attack/OVP; [1]

[Total: 6]

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- 6 (a) (i) crop and gizzard labelled correctly; both required for the mark
- (ii) muscular walls (to churn food);
presence of grit/stones (to break up hard food);
- (b) (i) label to rumen; [1]
- (ii) rumen; [1]
- (iii) animals can't digest/have no enzyme to digest cellulose;
cellulose forms (large) part of plant matter;
is a carbohydrate/an important source of energy;
wasted/value of food much reduced, if not digested; [max 3]
- [Total: 8]**
- 7 (a) clean and dry/dry storage to remove/avoid moisture;
oil to exclude air/oxygen and moisture;
prevents rusting/corrosion; [3]
- (b) levelling;
producing fine tilth;
so seeds are in close proximity to (moisture on) soil particles; [3]
- [Total: 6]**

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Section B

- 8 (a) (i)** name of crop [no mark]
- (ii)** ref. to land clearance; primary cultivation; purpose; secondary cultivation; purpose; incorporation of fertiliser/manure; [max 4]
- (b) (i)** weeds compete with crop; for light; moisture; nutrients; harbour pests; and disease; reduce yield; contaminate crop; reduce quality; may be poisonous; may hamper harvesting; [max 6]
- (ii)** digging/ploughing in (annual) weeds before planting; early planting; manual weeding; use of hoe/cultivator; use of herbicide; named example/detail of selective/non-selective re. timing; use of clean seed; crop rotation; mulching/cover crops; [max 5]
- [Total: 15]**
- 9 (a) (i)** growing two or more crops on one field/piece of land; in sequence over consecutive growing seasons; [2]
- (ii)** arable and livestock farming; on one farm; [2]
- (iii)** one/the same crop is grown on a piece of land; over several growing seasons; [2]

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- (b) (i) reduces depletion of soil nutrients;
incorporating a legume can improve nutrient status;
different rooting depths use nutrients at different levels;
helps prevent soil pan forming;
helps prevent soil structure deteriorating;
reduces likelihood of (soil-borne) disease;
reduces pest build up;
by breaking life cycle (of pests);
reduces weeds (associated with particular crop);
reduces costs on spraying;

- (ii) spreads risk/avoids dependence on one enterprise;
may make best use of land;
where some is unsuitable for crops/grazing/OWTTE;
economically effective;
crop residues may be used as fodder;
animal waste used on crops/as manure/soil improver;

[min 3 marks for each of (i) and (ii) to max 9]

[Total: 15]

- 10 (a) (i) stocking rate must be correct;
avoid overstocking;
to prevent overgrazing;
causes loss of/prevents rapid regeneration of palatable/nutritious grasses;
poorer grass/weeds colonise(s);
use of fertilisers;
irrigation;
re-seeding;

- (ii) avoid overgrazing/control grazing;
leads to loss of vegetative/soil cover;
soil easily eroded;
by wind/water;
and animals;

- (iii) avoid overgrazing; (only if not given in (i) or (ii))
bare patches allow weeds to establish; (only if not given in (i))
may be less nutritious than grasses;
may be poisonous;
use of burning;
herbicides;

[min 2 marks for each of (i), (ii) and (iii) to max 9]

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- (b) grazing can be controlled;
 cattle kept in paddocks/camps;
 ref. to rotational grazing;
 prevents selective grazing;
 can avoid overgrazing;
 fenced pasture can recover/be improved;
 becomes more productive;
 reduces need for grass burning;
 some can be left ungrazed to provide for dry season/make silage/hay; [max 6]

[Total: 15]

- 11 (a) (i) root hairs;
 provide large surface area;
 concentration of cell sap greater than water/solution in soil;
 ref. to osmosis;
 water moves down a concentration gradient/from high to low water potential;
 from soil to (root hair) cell;
 through partially permeable membrane;
 passive process/does not require energy;
- (ii) minerals dissolved in soil water/only absorbed from solution;
 uptake usually against a concentration gradient;
 requires energy;
 active uptake; [min 2 marks for each of (i) and (ii) to max 9]

- (b) cultivation of the soil;
 suitable depth for root penetration;
 improve aeration;
 improve drainage;
 use of humus/organic matter to open soil texture;
 improves root respiration;
 use of fertiliser;
 importance of phosphates;
 crop rotation to avoid pests/disease which may attack root system;
 suitable spacing/avoid overcrowding; [max 6]

[Total: 15]

- 12 (a) (i) name of livestock [no mark]
- (ii) product appropriate to livestock named; [1]
- (iii) as appropriate to product – storage conditions (cool/dry etc.);
 other storage detail;
 processing (method + detail);;
 grading;
 packaging; [max 4]

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- (b) identity of male and female used;
- date of mating;
- to estimate time of giving birth;
- date of birth;
- number of offspring;
- health/quality of offspring;
- mortality;
- other detail (e.g. birth difficulties, milk production);;
- to decide on use breeding animals again;
- cull if poor;
- allow comparison with other breeding stock;
- date of weaning;
- rations during gestation;
- date of next mating;

[max 10]

[Total: 15]