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## Life and Health Sciences

Assessment Unit AS 2  
assessing  
Human Body Systems



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MONDAY 30 MAY, AFTERNOON

### TIME

1 hour 30 minutes.

### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

**You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.**

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Complete in black ink only. **Do not write with a gel pen.**

Answer **all seven** questions.

Write your answers in the spaces provided in this question paper.

### INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 75.

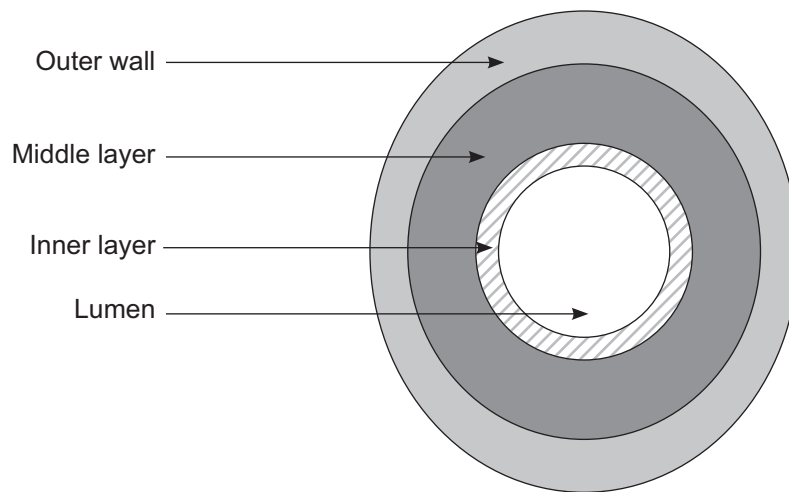
Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

You may use an electronic calculator.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in Question **5(b)**.



1 The diagram below shows a cross section of an artery.



Source: Principal Examiner

(a) (i) State and explain **one** visible feature in the diagram which enables the artery to carry blood from the heart to the body.

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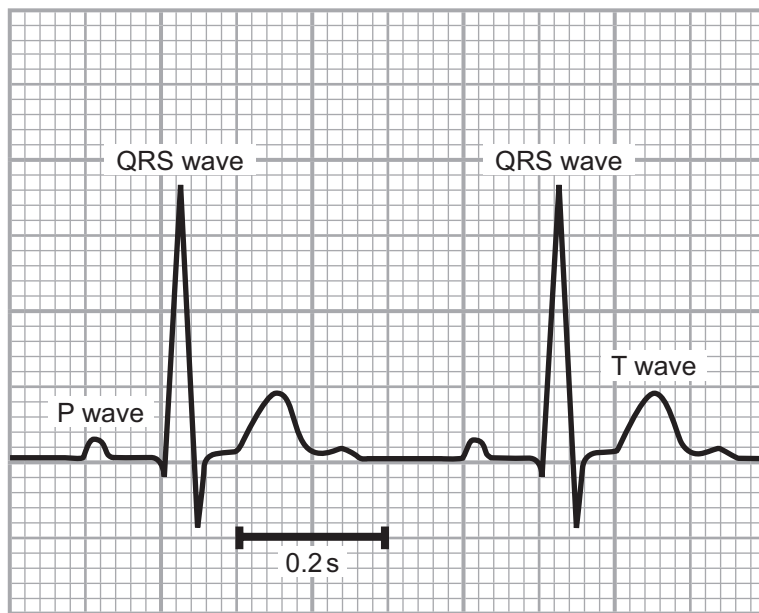
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(ii) State the pulse rate of a healthy person at rest.

\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ beats per minute [1]



The diagram below shows an enlarged electrocardiogram (ECG) trace from a heart. The P wave represents contraction of the atria.



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(b) (i) Explain why the QRS peak is larger than the P peak.

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(ii) Calculate the heart rate of the person whose ECG trace is shown in the diagram.

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\_\_\_\_\_ beats per minute [2]

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(iii) Using your answer to (b)(ii), state what condition the person whose ECG trace is shown may have. Explain your answer.

Condition: \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

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- 2 The results from a dietary survey of older adults aged >65 in the United Kingdom are shown in the table below.

Dietary Component	Daily Intake of older adults aged >65	Recommended Daily Intake
Fruit and vegetables (portions eaten per day)	4.3	5
Total Fat (% food energy)	36.4	less than 35
Saturated Fat (% food energy)	14.6	less than 11
Sugar (% food energy)	11.2	less than 5
Sugar (gday <sup>-1</sup> )	212.0	less than 30
Fibre (gday <sup>-1</sup> )	17.5	30

Source: National Diet and Nutrition Survey (2014/2015 to 2015/2016) © Crown copyright 2018. Used under the terms of the Open Government Licence v3.0

- (a) (i) Calculate the percentage that 17.5g represents of the **recommended daily fibre intake** for older adults aged >65.

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\_\_\_\_\_ % [1]

- (ii) State **one** food that contains fibre.

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(c) (i) What are normal vitamin D levels in the blood for a healthy adult?

\_\_\_\_\_ nmol L<sup>-1</sup> [1]

(ii) Describe how an adult might achieve normal vitamin D levels by making changes to diet and lifestyle.

Diet: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Lifestyle: \_\_\_\_\_  
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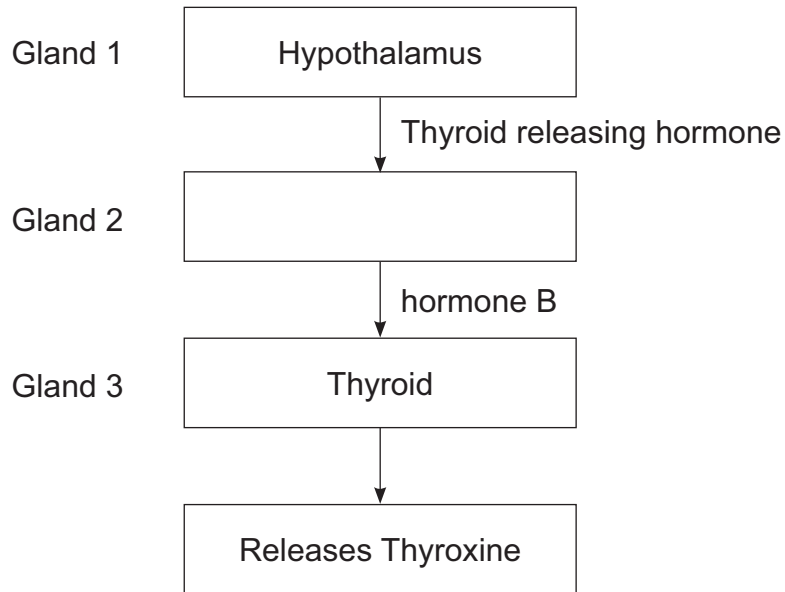
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- 3 The flow chart below shows some of the steps in controlling the level of thyroxine in the blood.



- (a) State the name of **gland 2** and the **hormone B** it produces.

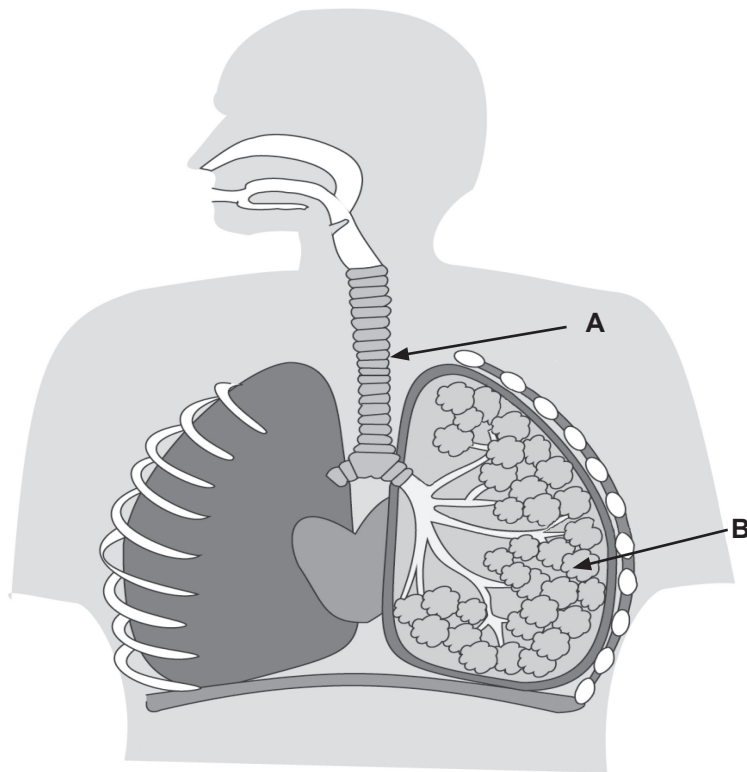
Gland 2 \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

Hormone B \_\_\_\_\_ [1]





4 A diagram of the human respiratory system is shown below.



Source: CCEA

(a) (i) Name the parts labelled **A** and **B**.

**A** \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

**B** \_\_\_\_\_ [1]



(ii) State and explain how the structure of part **A** is adapted for its function.

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Red blood cells contain haemoglobin which binds oxygen.

(b) State **and** explain **one additional** way in which the red blood cells increase oxygen transport.

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(c) (i) Describe the function of a buffer in the blood.

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(ii) Explain why this function is important in the blood.

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(iii) Name **two** biological buffers in the blood.

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(iv) Describe how the body detects an increase in carbon dioxide levels in the blood and brings about carbon dioxide removal.

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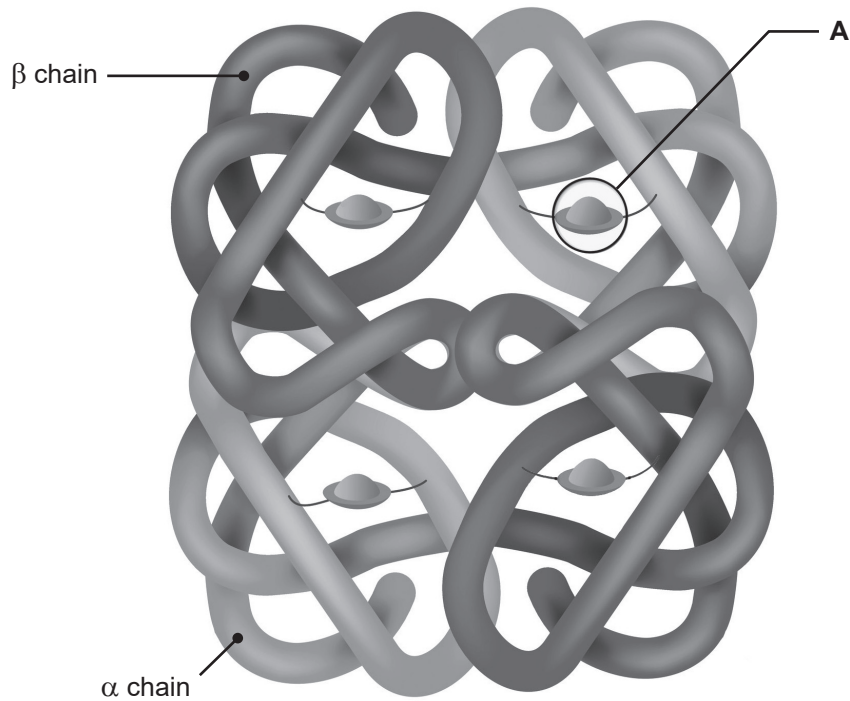
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6 The diagram below shows the haemoglobin molecule.



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(a) (i) Name the type of molecule that the  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  chains are composed of.

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(ii) Name part **A** and state the **mineral** it contains.

**A** \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

**Mineral** \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

(iii) What name is given to the molecule formed when oxygen binds with haemoglobin?

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(iv) How many molecules of oxygen bind to each molecule of haemoglobin when fully saturated?

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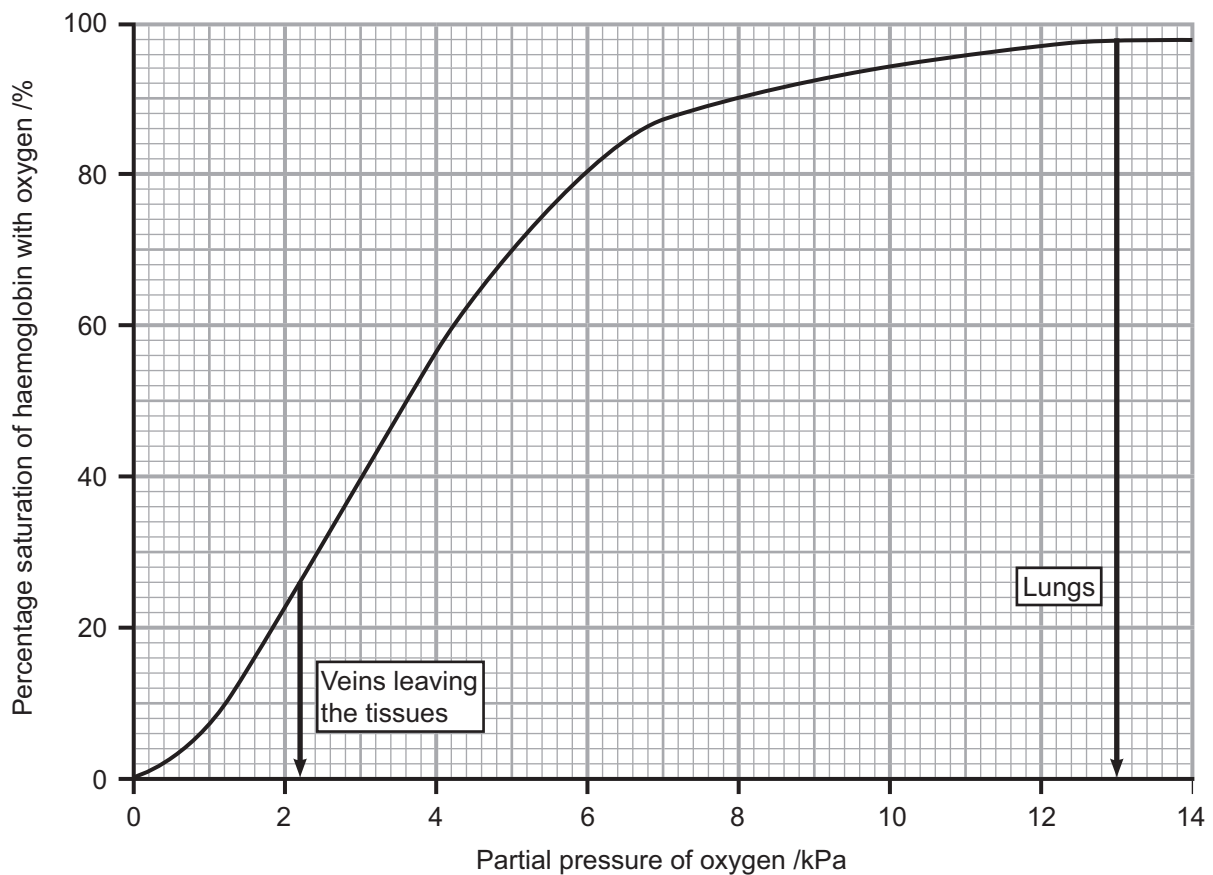
The binding of oxygen to haemoglobin is cooperative.

(v) Explain what this statement means.

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The graph below shows how the percentage saturation of haemoglobin with oxygen changes with different partial pressures of oxygen (kPa).



Source: Principal Examiner

- (b) (i) Using the graph, determine the percentage saturation of haemoglobin in the tissues when the partial pressure of oxygen is 5 kPa.

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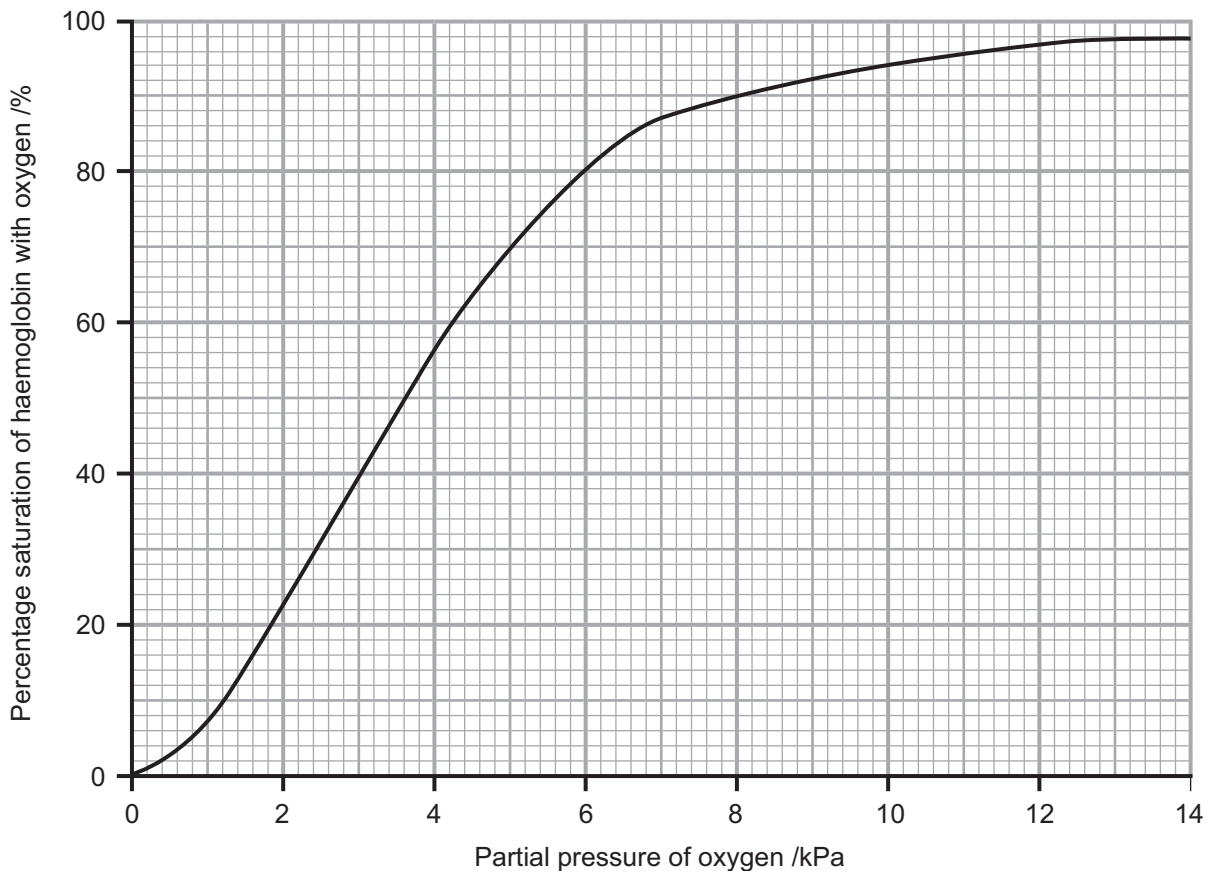


(ii) Calculate the difference in percentage saturation of haemoglobin between the lungs and the veins leaving the tissues.

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\_\_\_\_\_ % [2]





Source: Principal Examiner

(c) (i) Draw a dashed line on the graph above to show how increased physical activity affects the percentage saturation of haemoglobin at different partial pressures of oxygen (kPa). [1]

(ii) State **one** way increased physical activity causes its effect on the percentage saturation of haemoglobin at different partial pressures of oxygen (kPa).

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(iii) Describe how this change in the percentage saturation of haemoglobin with increased physical activity assists the body.

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- 7 When one mole of glucose is burned in a calorimeter in a laboratory, 670 kcal of energy are released.

However, when one mole of glucose undergoes aerobic respiration in muscle cells, only 40% of the energy released is incorporated into ATP.

- (a) (i) If each mole of glucose which undergoes aerobic respiration in a muscle cell produces 38 moles of ATP, calculate how much energy is incorporated into each mole of ATP.

**You are advised to show your working.**  
Give your answer to **two decimal places.**

\_\_\_\_\_ kcal [2]

- (ii) Suggest what happens to the energy which is **not** incorporated into ATP when glucose undergoes aerobic respiration in a muscle cell.

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]

- (iii) How many molecules of ATP are produced when one molecule of glucose undergoes anaerobic respiration in a muscle cell?

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]

- (iv) Explain why less energy is released in anaerobic respiration than aerobic respiration.

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\_\_\_\_\_ [1]



Lactate is the waste product of anaerobic respiration in muscles.

**(b) (i)** Describe the relationship between the intensity of exercise and the concentration of lactate in the blood.

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At the end of an intense session of vigorous exercise, an athlete will continue to have an increased breathing rate for several minutes.  
This allows conversion of lactate back to pyruvate.

**(ii)** State why more ATP molecules can now be produced.

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