



Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Specification reference
01.1	cell is growing		1	AO2
	increasing number of sub-cellular structures / ribosomes/ mitochondria		1	1.2.2
	DNA is replicating / producing two copies of each chromosome			
			1	
01.2	cell C \rightarrow cell B \rightarrow cell A \rightarrow cell D		1	AO2
				1.2.2
01.3	cytoplasm AND cell membrane divide		1	AO2
	to form two (identical) cells		1	1.2.2
01.4	2 × 24	reference to 2 cells (undergoing	3	AO2
	11	metaphase) for 1 mark		1.2.2
	4.4 hours	accept range 10–11 for 1 mark		MS1c
		accept range 4.4–4.8 hours for 3 marks		
02.1	an undifferentiated cell that can give rise to / differentiate into different		1	AO1
	cell types			1.2.3
02.2	they could replace the cells that are being destroyed / differentiate into		1	AO2
	cells that could produce insulin			1.2.3
02.3	embryonic stem cells can develop into any cell type in body		1	AO2
	adult stem cells / stem cells from bone marrow can only develop into a limited range of cell types		1	1.2.3
02.4	no or less risk of rejection / some people may not agree with using		1	AO3
	transplanted material			1.2.3





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02.5	$\frac{12}{23} \times 100 = 52\%$		1	AO2
	23 * 100 = 52%			1.2.3
				Ms1c
02.6	any one from:		1	AO3
	 successful / effective – some / 52% of patients did not need to inject insulin (2½ years later) 			1.2.3
	 unknown – as study needed to be carried out for a longer period of time 			
	unknown – as study needed to be carried out on a larger sample size			
	 not successful / ineffective – almost half / 48% of patients needed to return to injecting insulin (after 2½ years) 			
03.1	any three from:		3	AO1
	DNA is arranged into long strands called chromosomes			1.2.1
	in body cells, chromosomes are normally found in pairs			
	chromosomes contain a large number of genes			
	genes code for characteristics			
03.2	two daughter cells form (from one parent cell)		1	AO1
	each daughter cell has identical DNA / chromosomes / the same number		1	1.2.2
	of chromosomes as the original cell			1.1.4
	cells differentiate to form different types of cell		1	
	different types of cells are needed for different functions / specialised cells make different organs / parts of the body		1	





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03.3	DNA replicates / two copies of the chromosomes form one set of chromosomes is pulled to each end of the cell	full marks can be awarded for a series of labelled diagrams	1	AO1 1.2.2
	the nucleus divides cytoplasm and cell membrane divide	Ç	1	1.2.2
04.1	embryonic stem cells are able to differentiate into any type of cell stem cells are transplanted into a patient with a condition		1	AO1 1.2.3
	stem cells differentiate into healthy version of damaged / faulty cells, so curing the condition		1 1	
04.2	bone marrow		1	AO1
				1.2.3





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04.3	 possible ethical reasons against research: moral status of embryo as a potential human right to life of an unborn embryo / respect for life research could lead to reproductive cloning treating a potential life as a means of supporting an existing life, not as something to be protected / valued possible ethical reasons for research: should try to relieve human suffering through any means possible embryo has no brain and is therefore unable to feel / have an opinion many embryos naturally do not develop into full-term babies embryo is not a life until it is born at present, strict ggovernment controls prevent reproductive cloning development of points: embryos have the potential to develop into a living person; their life would be protected from the moment of birth, and this right should exist from conception clones / 'designer babies' could be developed in other countries / may have genetic abnormalities humans should not have the right to define what is or is not a life Many diseases are currently untreatable; stem cell research may offer a cure / relieve suffering / remove pain 	award 2 marks for two reasons against research award 2 marks for two reasons for research award 2 marks for explanations of points and development of a balanced argument accept other valid reasons for 1 mark each accept other valid expansion of arguments / explanation of points for 1 mark each	6	AO3 1.2.3





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05.1	meristem				1	AO1
						1.2.3
05.2	С				1	AO2
						1.2.3
05.3	DNA replication → mitosis → elongatio	n → differentiati	on		1	AO1
						1.2.3
						1.1.4
05.4				allow 1 mark for first two rows	2	AO2
		Animal stem cells	Plant stem cells	correct allow 1 mark for second two rows correct		1.2.3
	differentiation occurs at a very early stage	√				
	differentiation occurs throughout life		✓			
	differentiations produced are permanent	✓				
	differentiation can be reversed or changed		√			
06.1	meristems contain undifferentiated cell	s			1	AO1
						1.2.3
						1.1.4





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06.2	it produces genetically identical offspring / genetic material in the		1	AO1
	offspring derives from the parent plant only			1.2.3
				1.1.4
06.3	any two from:		2	AO1
	quicker			1.2.3
	cheaper			
	 plants can be transported over a large area / reproduced in a different area 			
	advantageous characteristics can be maintained			
07.1	any two from:	allow 2 marks for named adaptations	4	AO1
	 long axon – transmit impulses large distances in the body 	allow 2 marks for linked explanation		1.1.3
	lots of dendrites – make connections with many neurones	of their role		
	myelin sheath – insulate / speed up impulse			
07.2	lack of dopamine prevents signals being transmitted from neurone to		1	AO3
	neurone			1.1.3
	signals from the brain are not transmitted (correctly / effectively) to muscles		1	
07.3	Stem cells could be used to differentiate into neurones / nerve cells		3	AO3
	These could be inserted into the brain			1.2.3
	Neurones in the brain produce dopamine allowing nerve cells to transmit information (correctly)			





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07.4	any six from:	allow a maximum of 4 advantages or	6	AO3
	advantages:	4 disadvantages		1.2.3
	many stem cells could be created			
	stem cells could differentiate into cells / tissues of any type			
	 stem cells would not be rejected by the patient 			
	additional stem cells would be produced that could be used for research			
	reduce waiting time for organ transplants			
	no other treatment is available; this offers the only potential treatment for the condition			
	possible disadvantages:			
	shortage of donor eggs			
	egg donation / collection painful			
	embryo is destroyed			
	could lead to cloning of humans in the future			
	no guarantee the treatment would be successful			
	unexpected side effects			
	risk of infection from operation			
08.1	an unborn foetal intestinal cell		1	AO2
				1.2.2
08.2	hair follicles / skin / blood / lining of the digestive system		1	AO1
	cells need to be constantly replaced		1	1.2.2





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08.3	any four from:	to achieve full marks, 1 mark must be	4	AO1
	stage 1	awarded from each stage		1.2.2
	cell grows or increases in mass			
	number of sub-cellular structures increases			
	DNA replicates / doubles / is copied			
	stage 2 (mitosis)			
	DNA divides / nucleus divides into 2			
	stage 3			
	cytoplasm / cell membrane divides			
	two cells are formed			
08.4	if chromosomes were lost you could lack vital genes / new cells would not	accept any other appropriate	1	AO3
	work properly / organism might die if it has the wrong number	suggestion		1.22
09.1	light microscope	1 mark for light microscope, 1 mark		AO2
		for reason	1	1.2.2
	to check cell was dividing		1	
	or			
	embryo needs to be alive			
09.2	embryo has not given its permission / embryo has the right to life / some		1	AO3
	religious beliefs do allow human interference with the process of human reproduction			1.2.3





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09.3	egg cell: $0.1 \text{ mm} = 1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}$	award 1 mark for unit conversions	1	AO2
	sperm cell: 2.5 μm = 2.5 × 10 ⁻ 6 m	award 1 mark for correct order of		MS2h
	order of magnitude difference: $-46 = 2 / a$ factor of 100	magnitude	1	1.1.5
10.1	chromosomes are aligned in the middle of the cell / chromosomes being		1	AO2
	pulled apart			1.2.2
10.2	any four from:		4	AO2
	peel off a thin layer of root tissue			1.1.5
	using tweezers			
	place on a microscope slide and add a drop of stain			
	lower a coverslip onto the slide			
	 use a piece of filter paper to soak up any liquid from around the edge of the coverslip 			
10.3	15 × 40		1	AO2
	= 600×			MS3d
				1.1.5
10.4	any one from:		1	AO1
	root hair greatly increases surface area for water to diffuse into cell			1.1.3
	large vacuole speeds up movement of water from soil into cell			1.3.2