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1(b)	C → A → F → B → E → D ✓✓✓	If all correct, award 3 marks Award 2 marks for any two of the following pairs: A-F, B-E, E-D Award 1 mark for any one of the pairs	3	AO1 2.1.6(b) 2.1.6(c) 2.1.6(d)																					
1(c)	Animal cell ✓ AND cytokinesis describes a cleavage furrow being formed, which only occurs in animal cells OR plant cells forms cell plate instead of cleavage furrow ✓	One mark for correctly identifying cell One mark for correct explanation	2	AO1 2.1.6(b) 2.1.6(c) 2.1.6(d)																					
2(a)(i)	Cell B ✓ AND homologous chromosomes paired up / lined up in the equator OR crossing over occurs ✓	One mark for correctly identifying cell One mark for correct explanation	2	AO1 AO2 2.1.6(b) 2.1.6(f) 2.1.6(g)																					

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2(b)	Any one for cell A : two daughter cells ✓ that are genetically identical ✓ are diploid cells ✓ AND Any one for cell B : four daughter cells ✓ that are genetically different ✓ are haploid cells / gametes ✓		2 max	AO1 AO2 2.1.6(b) 2.1.6(f) 2.1.6(g)
2(c)(i)	Spindle fibres are attached correctly to the <u>centromere</u> ✓		1	AO1 AO2 2.1.6(b) 2.1.6(f) 2.1.6(g)
(ii)	G ₁ / S checkpoint ✓ checks for correct cell size / correct number of organelles / DNA damage ✓ G ₂ / M checkpoint ✓ checks for if DNA was replicated correctly / correct cell size / energy or nutrient levels ✓		4	AO1 AO2 2.1.6(b) 2.1.6(f) 2.1.6(g)
(iii)	Cell enters G ₀ phase / cell arrest ✓ eventually undergoes apoptosis ✓		2	AO1 AO2 2.1.6(b) 2.1.6(f) 2.1.6(g)

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(iv)	Cell becomes specialized / differentiated ✓		1	AO1 AO2 2.1.6(b) 2.1.6(f) 2.1.6(g)				
3(a)	A group of similar cells ✓ working together for a similar function ✓		2	AO1 2.1.6(i) 2.1.6(j) 2.1.6(k)				
3(b)(i)	Totipotent – undifferentiated cells that has the ability to specialise into all types of cells ✓ Pluripotent – can specialise into most types of cells, except extra embryonic cells ✓ Multipotent – can specialise into specific types of a specific tissue ✓		3	AO2 2.1.6(i) 2.1.6(j) 2.1.6(k)				
(ii)	Totipotent – zygote, <u>early</u> embryonic stem cells ✓ Pluripotent – embryonic stem cells ✓ Multipotent – bone marrow / hemopoietic stem cells ✓		3	AO2 2.1.6(i) 2.1.6(j) 2.1.6(k)				
(iii)	Erythrocytes: <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">no nucleus</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">more space for haemoglobin to bind and transport oxygen</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">biconcave shape</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">larger surface area to volume ratio for faster diffusion</td> </tr> </table>	no nucleus	more space for haemoglobin to bind and transport oxygen	biconcave shape	larger surface area to volume ratio for faster diffusion	1 mark for erythrocyte adaptation ✓ 1 mark for its explanation 1 mark for neutrophil adaptation ✓ 1 mark for its explanation	4	AO2 2.1.6(i) 2.1.6(j) 2.1.6(k)
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4	<p><u>crossing over</u> occurs in prophase 1 ✓ homologous chromosomes pair up / Bivalents are formed ✓ non-sister chromatids from different chromosomes within the pair switch over alleles at the <u>chiasmata</u> ✓</p> <p>independent assortment of <u>homologous chromosomes</u> / <u>bivalents</u> occurs in metaphase 1 ✓ random arrangement of which side the homologous pairs face ✓ producing different possible combinations of chromosomes in resulting cells ✓</p> <p>independent assortment of sister <u>chromatids</u>: occurs in metaphase 2 ✓ gives different possible combinations of alleles (due to crossing over) ✓</p>		9	AO2 AO3 2.1.6(f) 2.1.6(g)												

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(ii)	Any two pairs from: <i>T. aquaticus</i> would have a circular chromosome AND human cells would have linear chromosomes ✓ <i>T. aquaticus</i> would have one chromosome only AND human cells have 46 ✓ <i>T. aquaticus</i> would have plasmids AND human cells do not ✓		4 max																									
(iii)	Any one pair from: <i>Binary fission</i> : No breakdown / reforming nucleus (prophase / telophase) ✓ Because prokaryotic cells do not have nuclei ✓ OR No metaphase ✓ Because no centrioles / spindle fibres to line up chromosomes ✓		2 max																									
6(i)	Meristem ✓		1	AO1 AO2 2.1.6(l) 2.1.6(h)																								
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(iii)	<p>Any one of similarities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phospholipid bilayer ✓ • Contains cholesterol ✓ • Carrier and channel proteins ✓ • Glycoproteins / Glycolipids ✓ <p>Any one of differences:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Root hair cells have larger SA:V than palisade mesophyll cells ✓ • Root hair cells have more carrier proteins ✓ <p>Correlating explanation for difference:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For more efficient absorption of water / mineral ions ✓ • For more absorption of specific mineral ions by active transport ✓ 	Answer for the differences must be comparative	3 max	2.1.6(m) 2.1.5(b) 2.1.5(d) 2.1.2(n)
(b)(i)	<p>Haemoglobin ✓</p> <p>AND</p> <p>Any three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conjugated protein ✓ • Contains 4 haem groups allowing it to bind to O₂ ✓ • Globular shape ✓ • Has hydrophilic amino acids on the outside so can interact with plasma / be soluble ✓ • Four subunits (2α + 2β) ✓ 		4	
(ii)	<p>Multipotent / Hemopoietic / stem cells ✓ found in bone marrow ✓</p>		2	

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Skills box answers

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