

## **B3- Organisation and the digestive system Exam Practice 1**

**Name:**

**Score:**

### **Q1.**

Proteins are an important part of the human diet.

- (a) Proteins are large food molecules that must be broken down in the digestive system.

Which enzyme breaks down proteins?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Carbohydrase

Lipase

Protease

(1)

Proteins are digested into amino acids.

The body breaks down unwanted amino acids.

- (b) Which organ breaks down unwanted amino acids?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Brain

Liver

Lung

(1)

- (c) What is produced by the breakdown of unwanted amino acids?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Fat

Starch

Urea

(1)

Mycoprotein is a protein made from a fungus.

The table below shows information about mycoprotein sausages and meat sausages.

Nutrient	Mass of nutrient in grams per 100 grams	
	Mycoprotein sausages	Meat sausages
Protein	14.3	18.3
Carbohydrate	4.5	0.0
Fat	2.0	19.8
Salt	0.9	1.1

(d) Give **three** differences between the nutrient content of mycoprotein sausages and meat sausages.

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
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(3)

A student tested the mycoprotein sausage and the meat sausage for protein.

(e) What is used to test for protein?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Biuret reagent

Iodine solution

pH indicator solution

(1)

(f) What colour is the positive result for the test for protein?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Black

Lilac

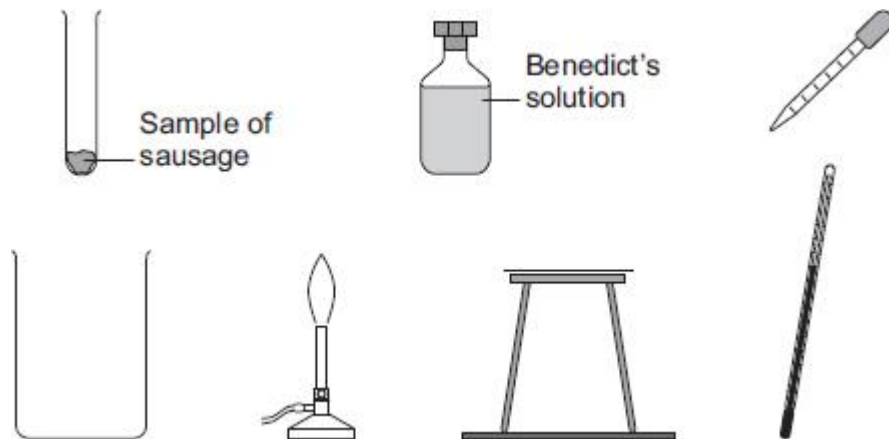
Red

White

(1)

- (g) The student investigated the sugar content of the mycoprotein sausage and the meat sausage.

The figure below shows some of the apparatus used.



Describe a method to compare the amount of sugar in the two types of sausage.

Use the apparatus in the figure above in your answer.

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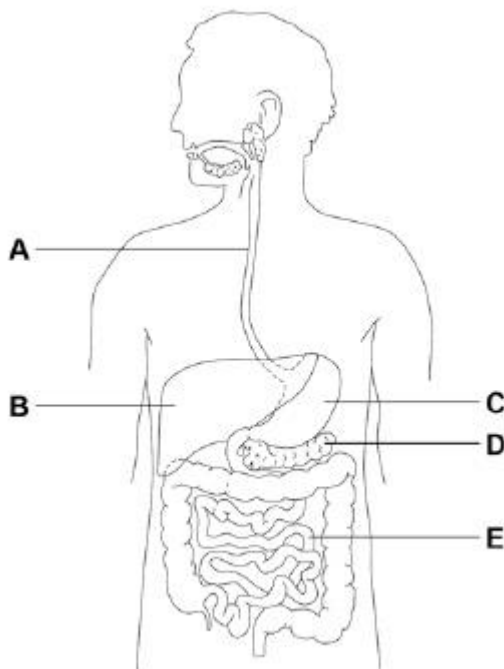
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**Q2.**

**Figure 1** shows the human digestive system.

**Figure 1**



(a) Which organ in **Figure 1** produces acid?

Tick **one** box.

A  B  C  D  E

(1)

(b) Which organ in **Figure 1** produces bile?

Tick **one** box.

A  B  C  D  E

(1)

(c) Where in **Figure 1** are digested foods absorbed into the blood?

Tick **one** box.

A  B  C  D  E

(1)

(d) Food molecules such as proteins **cannot** be absorbed unless they are digested.

Give **one** reason why.

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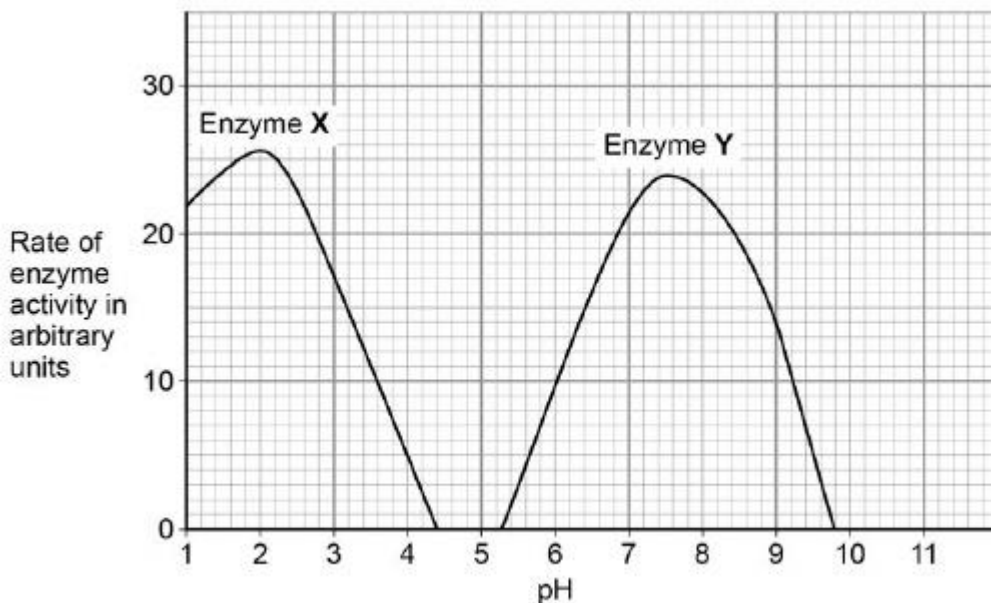
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A scientist investigated the effect of pH on the activity of two protease enzymes.

**Figure 2** shows the results.

**Figure 2**



(e) What is the optimum pH for enzyme Y?

pH \_\_\_\_\_

(1)

(f) Where in the digestive system might the two protease enzymes be produced?

Tick **one** box.

Enzyme X	Enzyme Y	
Mouth	Stomach	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pancreas	Mouth	<input type="checkbox"/>
Small intestine	Pancreas	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stomach	Small intestine	<input type="checkbox"/>

(1)

**Figure 3** shows a model of an enzyme molecule.

Figure 3



(g) Which substrate fits the enzyme molecule in **Figure 3**?

Tick **one** box.

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(1)

(h) The enzyme and substrate diagrams are used as a model for a theory of enzyme action.

What is the name of this theory?

Tick **one** box.

Evolution	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lock and key	<input type="checkbox"/>
Natural selection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Protein synthesis	<input type="checkbox"/>

(1)

(i) Explain why pH affects enzyme activity.

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(2)  
(Total 10 marks)

### Combined Higher Exam Question

This question is about the enzyme amylase.

- (a) Amylase can only digest starch.

Explain why amylase **cannot** digest other substances.

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(2)

Students investigated the effect of pH on the rate of starch digestion.

This is the method used.

1. Add 2 cm<sup>3</sup> of amylase solution at pH 5.0 to a test tube in a water bath at 37 °C
2. Add 2 cm<sup>3</sup> of starch suspension to the same test tube.
3. Start the timer.
4. Remove a drop of the amylase-starch mixture after 30 seconds.
5. Test the drop for starch.
6. Repeat steps 4 to 5 until no starch is detected.
7. Record the total time taken for no starch to be detected.
8. Repeat steps 1 to 7 using amylase solution at different pHs.

- (b) Which is the dependent variable in the investigation?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

pH of amylase solution

Temperature of water bath

Time for no starch to be detected

Volume of starch suspension

(1)

(c) Describe the test for starch.

Give the result of the test if starch is present.

Test

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Result

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(2)

(d) The amylase solution and starch suspension were kept in the water bath at 37 °C for 10 minutes before being mixed.

Why were the amylase and starch kept at 37 °C for 10 minutes before being mixed?

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(1)

The table below shows the results.

pH	Time for no starch to be detected in seconds
5.0	420
5.5	330
6.0	270
6.5	240
7.0	120
7.5	90
8.0	120
8.5	180
9.0	270

(e) Student **A** concluded that:

'The optimum pH for amylase is 7.5'.



Give **one** reason why this conclusion could be correct.

Use the table above.

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(1)

(f) Student **B** concluded that:

‘The optimum pH is between 7.0 and 8.0 but may **not** be 7.5’.

How can student **B** determine a more accurate value for the optimum pH?

Use the table above.

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(1)

(Total 8 marks)

## Mark schemes

### Q1.

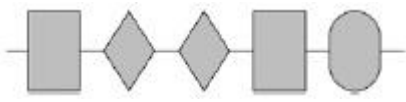
- (a) protease 1
- (b) liver 1
- (c) urea 1
- (d) any **three** from: mycoprotein sausages  
*allow converse for meat sausages*
- contain less protein
  - contain more carbohydrate  
*allow contain carbohydrate but meat sausages contain none*
  - contain less fat
  - contain less salt  
*allow contain less energy (than meat sausages)*
- 3
- (e) Biuret reagent 1
- (f) lilac 1
- (g) **Level 3:** The method would lead to the production of a valid outcome. The key steps are identified and logically sequenced. 5-6
- Level 3:** The method would not necessarily lead to a valid outcome. Most steps are identified, but the method is not fully logically sequenced. 3-4
- Level 1:** The method would not lead to a valid outcome. Some relevant steps are identified, but links are not made clear. 1-2
- No relevant content** 0
- Indicative content**
- grind up the sausage
  - add the sausage to the test tube
  - add water to the sausage and shake
  - add the same mass of sausage
  - add Benedict's solution to the test tube
  - using a pipette
  - add the same volume of Benedict's solution
  - place the test tubes in a water bath
  - heat the water bath (to  $\geq 65$  °C / to boiling)
  - monitor the temperature of the water bath

- leave the test tubes in the water bath for the same time
- repeat the test for each sample
- record the colour change of the Benedict's solution
- Benedict's will go green / yellow / orange / brown / red if sugar present
- Benedict's solution will stay blue if no sugar present

**Level 3** must refer to comparison of test colour for meat sausage and mycoprotein sausage.

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**Q2.**

- (a) **C** 1
- (b) **B** 1
- (c) **E** 1
- (d) any **one** from:  
 • they are too big  
 • they are insoluble 1
- (e) (pH) 7.5  
*allow answers in range 7.4 to 7.6* 1
- (f) (enzyme **X**) stomach  
 (enzyme **Y**) small intestine 1
- (g)  1
- (h) lock and key 1
- (i) (some pH values):  
 change the shape of the active site  
*allow some pH values denature enzymes* 1  
 (so) so substrate will no longer fit / bind to the active site 1

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**Combined Higher Mark Scheme**

- (a) (enzyme / amylase) has an active site 1

- (with a specific / unique shape) which will only fit / bind to the starch / substrate (molecule) 1
- (b) time for no starch to be detected 1
- (c) iodine solution  
*allow reagent for solution* 1
- (iodine solution) turns blue-black  
*allow (iodine solution) turns black*  
*do **not** accept blue* 1
- (d) to ensure the starch (suspension) and amylase (solution) both reached the same / body temperature  
*allow temperature of solution / suspension is a control variable*  
*ignore 37 °C is body / optimum temperature* 1
- (e) at pH 7.5, the least time taken (for no starch to be detected) 1
- (f) repeat using smaller pH intervals  
*allow repeat at pH 7.1, 7.2 ...* 1

[8]