Paper 1: Biology

SB1 Key Concepts in Biology

SB1a Microscopes

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5 th	Recall what an electron microscope is.			
5 th	Recall what is meant by an instrument's resolution.			
5**	Explain why some cell structures can be seen with an electron microscope but not with a light microscope.			
7 th	Calculate total magnification using a formula.			
7 th	Calculate sizes using magnifications.			
5 th	Interpret the SI prefixes milli-, micro-, nano- and pico			

SB1b Plant and animal cells

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5 th	Identify the parts of plant and animal cells.			
5 th	Recall the parts of plant and animal cells.			
5**	Make drawings of plant and animal cells using a light microscope and identify their parts.			
6th	Describe the functions of the sub-cellular structures commonly found in eukaryotic cells (nucleus, cell membrane, cell wall, chloroplasts, mitochondria and ribosomes).			
61	Estimate sizes using microscope fields of view.			
6 th	Estimate sizes using scale bars.			

SB1c Specialised cells

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
6 th	Describe how sperm cells are adapted to their function.			
6 th	Describe how egg cells are adapted to their function.			
6 th	Describe how ciliated epithelial cells are adapted to their function.			
7 th	Draw conclusions about a cell's function from its adaptations.			

SB1d Inside bacteria

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5**	Identify the common parts of bacteria.			
5 th	Describe the functions of common parts of bacteria.			
6 th	Describe why bacteria are classified as being prokaryotic.			
6 th	Change numbers to and from standard form.			
8**	Compare eukaryotic and prokaryotic cells.			

SB1e Enzymes and nutrition

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
6th	State that enzymes are proteins.			
6 th	Give examples of enzymes and where they are found in the human body and in other species.			
6 th	Recall the subunits from which carbohydrates, proteins and lipids are formed (sugars, amino acids, fatty acids and glycerol).			
64	Describe what enzymes do (catalyse the synthesis and breakdown of substances, such as carbohydrates, proteins and lipids, by speeding up the rate of reaction).			
6 th	Define an enzyme as a biological catalyst.			
7 th	Explain why catalysis by enzymes is important for life processes (because reactions happen much faster).			

SB1f Testing foods

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5 th	Describe how to test for starch in food.			
5 th	Describe how to test for reducing sugars in food.			
5 th	Describe how to test for proteins in food.			
5 th	Describe how to test for lipids in food.			
7 th	Explain how calorimetry can be used to measure the energy in food.			
8 th	Evaluate calorimetry tests for accuracy.			

SB1g Enzyme action

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
7 th	State what enzyme specificity means.			
7 th	State that an enzyme's action is due to its active site.			
7 th	Describe the role of the active site in enzyme function (including specificity).			
9th	Use the lock-and-key model to develop explanations for enzyme activity.			
8th	Explain why enzymes have a particular shape, as a result of the sequence of amino acids in the chain.			
9th	Explain how enzymes become denatured.			

SB1h Enzyme activity

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
8th	Describe the effect of temperature on enzyme activity.			
84	Describe the effect of substrate concentration on enzyme activity.			
8th	Describe the effect of pH on enzyme activity.			
8th	Explain what is meant by the optimum pH/temperature of an enzyme.			
9th	Calculate the rate of enzyme activity from experimental data.			
9th	Explain why temperature, substrate concentration and pH affect enzyme activity.			

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
7 th	State that substances are transported by diffusion, osmosis and active transport.			
7 th	Describe how substances are transported by active transport (including the need for energy).			
6th	Explain how substances are transported by diffusion.			
9th	Explain how substances are transported by osmosis.			
9th	Explain the effects of osmosis on cells and tissues.			
8 th	Investigate osmosis in potatoes.			
9th	Calculate percentage gain and loss of mass in osmosis.			

SB1i Transporting substances

SB2 Cells and control

SB2a Mitosis

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
7 th	List the names and order of the stages of the cell cycle, including mitosis.			
8**	Describe what happens in each stage of the cell cycle, including mitosis.			
7 11	Describe why mitosis is important for an organism. (growth, repair, asexual reproduction)			
9th	Explain why organisms may rely on asexual reproduction.			
7 th	Describe how mitosis produces genetically identical, diploid cells.			
7 th	Describe how cancers grow.			

SB2b Growth in animals

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
4 th	Define growth in animals as an increase in cell number and size.			
5**	Give examples of specialised animal cells.			
6**	Describe how structure of specialised animal cells is related to their function.			
7 th	Explain why cell differentiation is important in the development of specialised cells.			
81	Use percentile growth curves to interpret growth in children.			

SB2c Growth in plants

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
8**	Describe the stages of growth in plants (cell division/mitosis, elongation, differentiation).			
5**	Give examples of specialised plant cells.			
6**	Describe how the structures of specialised plant cells are related to their functions.			
7th	Explain why cell differentiation is important in the development of specialised cells in plants.			

SB2d Stem cells

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
7 th	Describe where stem cells are found.			
7 th	Describe the function of stem cells in plants and animals.			
9th	Compare embryonic and adult stem cells in animals.			
7 th	Give examples of where stem cells may be used in medicine.			
8**	Identify benefits and risks of using stem cells in medicine.			
10 th	Evaluate the use of stem cells in medicine (by comparing their benefits and risks).			

SB2e The brain

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
6th	Describe what the brain is made up of.			
6	Identify different parts of the brain (cerebellum, cerebral hemispheres, medulla oblongata).			
6 1	Describe the functions of different parts of the brain (cerebellum, cerebral hemispheres, medulla oblongata).			

SB2g The nervous system

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
6 th	List the parts of the nervous system.			
4 th	Describe how the nervous system detects stimuli.			
7 th	Describe the structure of sensory neurones.			
7 th	Describe the routes that impulses take to and from the brain.			
8th	Explain how sensory neurones are adapted to their functions (including the myelin sheath).			

SB2h The eye

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
6 th	Identify the main parts of the eye.			
7 th	Explain how the cornea, lens, iris and retina are adapted to their functions.			
7 th	Explain how receptor cells allow full colour vision in bright light.			
7 11	Describe common eye defects (cataracts, long-sightedness, short-sightedness, colour blindness).			
7 th	Describe how cataracts are treated.			
9 th	Explain how long- and short-sightedness can be corrected.			

SB2i Neurotransmission speeds

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
7 th	Describe how the nervous system responds to stimuli.			
7 th	Describe the structures of motor neurones and relay neurones.			
8th	Explain how motor neurones are adapted to their functions.			
9th	Explain the action and function of synapses.			
9th	Explain how the structure of the reflex arc allows a faster response.			
81	Describe the structure and function of the reflex arc.			

SB3 Genetics

SB3a Sexual and asexual reproduction

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
6th	Describe features of asexual reproduction (rapid reproductive cycle, no need for mate, no variation of offspring).			
7th	Explain how some features of asexual reproduction can be advantageous or disadvantageous.			
6th	Describe features of sexual reproduction (slower reproductive cycle, requires mate, variation in offspring).			
81	Explain how some features of sexual reproduction can be advantageous or disadvantageous.			
10	Compare the advantages and disadvantages of asexual and sexual reproduction in evaluating the life cycle of an organism.			

SB3b Meiosis

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
7 th	Recall that gametes are produced by meiosis.			
81	Describe what happens in meiosis. [without details of the stages]			
81	Explain why haploid gametes are needed for sexual reproduction.			
6 th	Recall what an organism's genome is.			
6 th	Describe where genes are found.			
6 th	Recall the function of genes.			

SB3c DNA

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5 th	Recall where DNA is found in a eukaryotic cell.			
7 th	Name the bases in DNA.			
7 th	Recall the pairing of bases in DNA.			
7 th	Describe how DNA strands are held together.			
8th	Describe the overall structure of DNA.			
7 th	Describe how DNA can be extracted from fruit.			

Paper 2: Chemistry

SC1 States of Matter

SC1a States of matter

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
2 nd	Name the three states of matter, and the physical changes that occur between them.			
5 th	Describe the arrangements and movement of particles in the different states of matter.			
6 th	Use information to predict the state of a substance.			
5 th	Describe the relative energies of particles in the different states of matter.			
7 th	Explain why the movement and arrangement of particles change during changes of state.			
7th	Explain why the energy of particles changes during changes of state.			

SC2 Methods of Separating and Purifying Substances

SC2a Mixtures

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5**	Describe the differences between a pure substance and a mixture.			
5th	Use melting point information to decide whether a substance is pure or is a mixture.			
6th	Describe what happens to atoms at a pure substance's melting point.			
6 th	Interpret a heating curve to identify a melting point.			
7 th	Explain why the temperature does not change as a pure substance melts.			

SC2b Filtration and crystallisation

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
4 th	State some mixtures that can be separated by filtration.			
4 th	State some mixtures that can be separated by crystallisation.			
6**	Draw and interpret diagrams showing how filtration and crystallisation are done.			
6**	Explain the formation of crystals during crystallisation.			
5**	Explain how mixtures are separated by filtration.			
5 th	Explain ways of reducing risk when separating mixtures by filtration and crystallisation.			

SC2c Paper chromatography

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5 th	Describe how some mixtures can be separated by chromatography.			
5 th	Identify pure substances and mixtures on chromatograms.			
5th	Identify substances that are identical on chromatograms.			
6 th	Draw and interpret diagrams showing how chromatography is done.			
6 th	Explain how substances can be separated by chromatography.			
6 th	Calculate $R_{\rm f}$ values and use them to identify substances.			

SC2d Distillation

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5 th	Describe how to carry out, and explain what happens in, simple distillation.			
7 th	Distinguish between simple distillation and fractional distillation.			
7 th	Identify when fractional distillation should be used to separate a mixture.			
7 th	Describe how to carry out fractional distillation.			
9 th	Explain how the products of fractional distillation are linked to the boiling points of the components.			
6 th	Explain what precautions are needed to reduce risk in a distillation experiment.			

SC2e Drinking water

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5 th	Explain why water used in chemical analysis must not contain dissolved salts.			
5 th	Describe how fresh water can be produced from seawater.			
5 th	Describe the steps needed to make fresh water suitable for drinking.			
5th	Suggest how to purify water when you know what it contains.			
8th	Evaluate the hazards and control the risks present when purifying water.			

SC3 Atomic Structure

SC3a Structure of an atom

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
8th	Describe how Dalton's ideas about atoms have changed.			
8th	Describe how the subatomic particles are arranged in an atom.			
8th	Explain how atoms of different elements are different.			
7 th	Recall the charges and relative masses of the three subatomic particles.			
8th	Explain why all atoms have no overall charge.			
8th	Describe how the size of an atom compares to the size of its nucleus.			

SC3b Atomic number and mass number

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
7 th	State where most of the mass of an atom is found.			
7 th	State the meaning of atomic number.			
7 th	State the meaning of mass number.			
8th	Describe how the atoms of different elements vary.			
8th	State the number of electrons in an atom from its atomic number.			
80	Calculate the numbers of protons, neutrons and electrons using atomic and mass numbers.			

SC3c Isotopes

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
7 th	State what is meant by an isotope.			
7 th	Identify isotopes from information about the structure of atoms.			
80	Calculate the numbers of protons, neutrons and electrons using atomic numbers and mass numbers.			
9th	Explain why the relative atomic mass of many elements is not a whole number.			

SC4 The Periodic Table

SC4a Elements and the periodic table

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
6 th	Recall the chemical symbols of some common elements.			
6th	Describe how Mendeleev arranged elements into a periodic table.			
76	Describe how Mendeleev predicted the existence and properties of some elements yet to be discovered.			
8 th	Explain how Mendeleev's early ideas were supported by later evidence.			

SC4b Atomic number and the periodic table

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
7 th	Explain some problems Mendeleev had when ordering the elements.			
6**	Explain the meaning of the term 'atomic number'.			
6th	Describe how the elements are arranged in the modern periodic table.			
6 th	Recall the positions of metals and non-metals in the periodic table.			

SC4c Electronic configurations and the periodic table

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
7 th	State what the term 'electronic configuration' means.			
8th	Show electronic configurations in the form 2.8.1 and as diagrams.			
9 th	Predict the electronic configurations of the elements hydrogen to calcium.			
200	Explain the links between an element's position in the periodic table and its electronic configuration.			
6 th	Recall the positions of metals and non-metals in the periodic table.			

SC5 Ionic Bonding

SC5a lonic bonds

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
6 th	Recall the formulae of simple ions.			
8th	Explain how cations and anions are formed.			
84	Use dot and cross diagrams to explain how ionic bonds are formed.			
84	Explain the difference between an atom and an ion.			
9th	Calculate the numbers of protons, neutrons and electrons in simple ions.			
9 th	Explain the formation of ions in groups 1, 2, 6 and 7 of the periodic table.			

SC5b Ionic lattices

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
6 th	Recall the formulae of common polyatomic ions, and the charges on them.			
7 th	Interpret the use of -ide and -ate endings in the names of compounds.			
7 th	Name ionic compounds using –ide and –ate endings.			
8**	Work out the formula of an ionic compound from the formulae of its ions.			
8th	Describe the structure of ionic compounds.			
8 th	Explain how ionic compounds are held together.			

SC5c Properties of ionic compounds

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5 th	Describe the properties of ionic compounds.			
7 th	Explain why ionic compounds have high melting points and high boiling points.			
7 th	Explain why ionic compounds conduct electricity when they are molten and in aqueous solution.			
7 th	Explain why ionic compounds do not conduct electricity as solids.			
7 th	Identify ionic compounds from data about their properties.			

SC6 Covalent bonding

SC6a Covalent bonds

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
7 th	Explain how covalent bonds are formed.			
5 th	Recall the names of some common molecular elements.			
5 th	Recall the names of some common molecular compounds.			
6th	State the bonding that is found in molecules.			
6 th	State the approximate size (order or magnitude) of atoms and small molecules.			
8**	Explain the formation of covalent bonds using dot and cross diagrams.			

SC7 Types of Substance

SC7a Molecular compounds

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5 th	Recall examples of common covalent, simple molecular compounds.			
6th	Describe the general properties of covalent, simple molecular compounds.			
80	Explain why covalent, simple molecular compounds have low melting and boiling points.			
9th	Explain why covalent, simple molecular compounds are poor conductors of electricity.			
7 th	Describe the structure of a polymer.			

SC7b Allotropes of carbon

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5 th	Recall some allotropes of carbon.			
75	Describe the basic differences between covalent, simple molecules and giant covalent structures.			
7 th	Describe the structures of diamond, graphite, fullerenes and graphene.			
6 th	Describe the properties of diamond, graphite, fullerenes and graphene.			
9th	Explain the properties and uses of diamond and graphite in terms of their structure and bonding.			
91	Explain the properties of fullerenes and graphene in terms of their structure and bonding.			

SC7c Properties of metals

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
6th	Describe the particles and how they are arranged in metals.			
7 th	Explain why metals are malleable.			
7 th	Explain why metals conduct electricity.			
3 rd	Describe the typical properties of metals.			
3rd	Describe the typical properties of non-metals.			

SC7d Bonding metals

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
6 th	Give examples of ionic; covalent, simple molecular; covalent, giant molecular; and metallic substances.			
7 th	Describe how the different types of bonds and structures are formed.			
8 ^{ch}	Explain how the structure and bonding of a substance is linked to its physical properties. (Relative melting point and boiling point, relative solubility in water and ability to conduct electricity, as solids and in solution.)			
8th	Explain why we use models to represent structure and bonding.			
81	Represent structures and bonding using a variety of different models (dot and cross, ball and stick, 2D, 3D).			
91	Describe the limitations of the different models used to represent structure and bonding (dot and cross, ball and stick, 2D, 3D).			

Paper 3: Physics

SP1 Motion

SP1a Vectors and scalars

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
4 th	Describe the difference between weight and mass.			
7 th	Explain the difference between a vector and a scalar quantity.			
7 th	Describe the difference between displacement and distance.			
7 th	Describe the difference between velocity and speed.			
6 th	Define the terms: acceleration, force, momentum, energy.			

SP1b Distance/time graphs

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
7 th	Recall and use equations relating distance, speed and time.			
7 th	Describe how speed can be measured in a school laboratory.			
5th	Recall typical speeds for walking, running, cycling and travelling by car.			
6 th	Interpret distance/time graphs (including recognising what the steepness of the line tells you).			
7 th	Represent journeys on distance/time graphs.			
8th	Determine speed from the gradient of a distance/time graph.			

SP1c Acceleration

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
6 th	Recall the formula relating acceleration, velocity and time.			
8th	Use the formula relating acceleration, velocity and time.			
6 th	Recall the equation relating acceleration, velocity and distance.			
8th	Use the equation relating acceleration, velocity and distance.			
6 th	Recall the acceleration in free fall.			

Estimate the magnitudes of some everyday accelerations.	
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SP1d Velocity/time graphs

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
7 th	Represent journeys on velocity/time graphs.			
7 th	Interpret velocity/time graphs qualitatively.			
8 th	Calculate uniform accelerations from the gradients of velocity/time graphs.			
9 th	Determine the distance travelled from the area under a velocity/time graph.			

SP3 Conservation of Energy

SP3a Energy stores and transfers

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
61	Explain, using examples, that energy is conserved.			
5th	Give examples of energy being moved between different stores.			
61	Interpret diagrams that represent energy transfers.			
7 th	Represent energy transfers using diagrams.			
7 th	Describe what happens to wasted energy in energy transfers.			

SP3b Energy efficiency

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
84	Explain some ways in which energy is transferred wastefully by mechanical processes.			
7 th	Explain some ways of reducing unwanted energy transfers in mechanical processes.			
6**	Define what efficiency means.			
9th	Recall and use the formula for calculating energy efficiency.			

SP3c Keeping warm

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5 th	Describe the ways in which energy can be transferred by heating.			
7th	Describe ways of reducing unwanted energy transfers using thermal insulation.			
5 th	Explain how different ways of reducing energy transfer by heating work.			
5**	Define the meaning of thermal conductivity.			
6 th	Describe the effects of the thickness and thermal conductivity of the walls of a building on its rate of cooling.			

SP3d Stored energies

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
6 th	Describe how different factors affect the gravitational potential energy stored in an object.			
8 th	Recall and use the equation for gravitational potential energy.			
6 th	Describe how different factors affect the kinetic energy stored in an object.			
8 th	Recall and use the equation for kinetic energy.			

SP3e Non-renewable resources

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
4 th	List the non-renewable energy resources in use today.			
5**	Describe the advantages and disadvantages of non-renewable energy resources.			
7 th	Compare the advantages and disadvantages of non-renewable energy resources.			
6 th	Explain how the use of non-renewable energy resources is changing.			

SP3f Renewable resources

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
4 th	List the renewable energy resources in use today.			
5 th	Describe the source of energy for different renewable resources.			
5 th	Describe the ways in which the different energy resources are used.			
7 th	Explain why we cannot use only renewable energy resources.			
6 th	Explain how the use of renewable energy resources is changing.			

SP4 Waves

SP4a Describing waves

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5 th	Recall that waves transfer energy and information but do not transfer matter.			
5 th	Describe waves using the terms frequency, wavelength, amplitude, period and velocity.			
6 th	Describe the differences between longitudinal and transverse waves.			
4 th	Give examples of transverse and longitudinal waves.			

SP4b Wave speeds

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
6**	Recall the equation relating wave speed, frequency and wavelength			
81	Use the equation relating wave speed, frequency and wavelength.			
6 th	Recall the equation relating wave speed, distance and time.			
81	Use the equation relating wave speed, distance and time.			
7 th	Describe how to measure the velocity of sound in air.			
7 th	Describe how to measure the velocity of waves on the surface of water.			

SP4c Refraction

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5 th	Describe what refraction is.			
5**	Describe how the direction of a wave changes when it goes from one material to another.			
6 th	Explain some effects of the refraction of light (explanations in terms of changing speeds are not expected).			

Step	Learning outcome	Had a look	Nearly there	Nailed it!
5 th	Describe some effects of waves being reflected.			
5 th	Describe some effects of waves being refracted.			
5 th	Describe some effects of waves being transmitted and absorbed.			
7 th	Describe how changes in velocity, frequency and wavelength are related when sound waves go from one medium to another.			

SP4d Waves crossing boundaries