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; separates marking points
l separates alternatives within a marking point
() contents of brackets are not required but should be implied / the contents set the context of the answer
R reject
A accept (answers that are correctly cued by the question or guidance you have received)
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AW alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual, accept other ways of expressing the same idea)
AVP alternative valid point (where a greater than usual variety of responses is expected)
ORA
underline
MAX
$+$
OR
ECF actual word underlined must be used by the candidate (grammatical variants excepted) indicates the maximum number of marks that can be awarded statements on both sides of the + are needed for that mark separates two different routes to a mark point and only one should be awarded error carried forward (credit an operation from a previous incorrect response)

| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1(a)(i) | mid-ocean ridge ; <br> tectonic plate ; magma; | 3 |  |
| 1(a)(ii) | two arrows pointing in opposite directions, away from each other ; | 1 |  |
| 1(b) | feature type of plate boundary <br> ocean trench convergent <br> volcano convergent / divergent <br> hydrothermal vents divergent | 2 | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \text { correct = } 2 \\ & 1 \text { or } 2 \text { correct = } 1 \end{aligned}$ |


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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1(c)(i) | any 4 of: <br> ref. to convergent plate boundary (or idea of, pressure build-up ; <br> earthquake or suddden slippage of $p$ <br> release of energy ; <br> large volume of water displaced ; | scription of) ; | 4 |  |
| 1(c)(ii) | convergent plates / subduction zone / description ; <br> reference to pressure builds up / release ; <br> thin earth's crust ; <br> hot gases / molten rock / lava / magma + rises / erupts ; <br> lava cools / solidifies / hardens to form rock ; | divergent plates / description ; <br> hot gases / molten rock/ lava / magma + rises / erupts ; <br> lava cools / solidifies / hardens to form rock ; | 4 |  |


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| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2(a)(i) | zooxanthellae ; | 1 | A dinoflagellate |
| 2(a)(ii) | any 3 of: |  |  |
| algae photosynthesise ; |  |  |  |
|  | produce oxygen / glucose / sugars / carbohydrates / organic compounds / amino <br> acids for coral ; <br> corals provide protection for algae ; <br> corals provide carbon dioxide for algae ; | 3 |  |
| 2(b) | any 3 of: <br> idea of, as depth increases, light decreases ; <br> idea of, as sediment increases, light decreases ; <br> sediment blocks / smothers polyps ; <br> need light for photosynthesis ; | I food / nutrients |  |


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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2(c)(i) | any 2 of: <br> all areas show increase in threatened area; <br> SE Asia has greatest total area threatened; <br> Atlantic region has least total area threatened ; <br> Australia has lowest percentage reef area threatened in 2011 ; <br> SE Asia has highest percentage reef area threatened (in 2011) ; <br> Australia has biggest change / increase (in percentage) of reef area threatened ; <br> SE Asia has the least change/increase in percentage of reef area threatened ; <br> Atlantic and Australia have the same percentage of reef area threatened in 2030 ; <br> SE Asia has the highest percentage reef area threatened in 2030 ; <br> SE Asia has the largest total reef area; <br> Atlantic has the smallest total reef area ; <br> appropriate manipulation of figures ; | 2 | I data quotes, must be manipulated |


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| :---: | :--- | ---: |
| 2(c)(ii) | any 2 of: <br> idea of, increase in storm damage / stronger, storms / storm waves ; <br> less protection for beaches / coastal areas ; <br> increased flooding ; <br> increased erosion ; <br> (leading to) damage to crops ; <br> damage to buildings / infrastructure ; <br> decrease (in revenue) from tourism ; <br> decrease (in revenue) from harvesting / fishing ; |  |


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| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3(a) | lons / dissolved salts ; <br> any 1 of: <br> (total) mass ; <br> OR <br> in a unit volume of water / parts per thousand ; <br> OR <br> concentration ; | $\mathbf{2}$ |  |
| 3(b)(i) | $1.0260 ;$ <br> $\mathrm{g} \mathrm{cm}^{3} ;$ | A quantity |  |


| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
| :---: | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| 3(b)(ii) | as temperature increases density, decreases / ORA ; <br> as salinity increases density, increases / ORA ; | $\mathbf{2}$ |  |
| 3(c) | any 2 of: <br> evaporation ; <br> salt-rich run off from land / weathering of rocks ; <br> formation of sea ice ; <br> upwelling ; <br> reduction in fresh water input ; | $\mathbf{2}$ |  |


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| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| 4(a)(i) | height ; <br> $\mathrm{m} /$ metres ; | $\mathbf{2}$ |  |
| 4(a)(ii) | 12 ; | $\mathbf{1}$ |  |
| 4(a)(iii) | C ; | $\mathbf{1}$ |  |
| 4(a)(iv) | lower peaks for high tide ; <br> line shown for all of graph ; | $\mathbf{2}$ |  |


| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4(b) | any 3 of: <br> when they / Moon and Sun (and Earth), form a line / are in alignment / are <br> aligned; <br> the tidal range is at its maximum (greater, greatest) / spring tide ; <br> when Sun and Moon are perpendicular / at 90 ; <br> (to one another) the tidal range is reduced (smaller, smallest)/ neap tide ; <br> reference to the influence of gravity by Sun and / or Moon ; | A labelled diagram |  |


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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5(a) | fall in population of crabs ; <br> + any pair of, reduction in populations of small fish / sea snails / sea urchins / sea stars / primary consumers ; <br> less food available for crabs ; <br> OR <br> less photosynthesis; less energy passed along food chain ; <br> OR <br> loss of crab hiding places / habitat; <br> increased predation of crabs ; <br> OR <br> less sea urchins / sea stars (for otters) ; <br> increased predation of crabs (by otters); <br> no change in crab population ; <br> as feed (more) on other species; <br> such as filter feeders / juvenile fish ; | 3 |  |
| 5(b) | 5 levels + names ; <br> rectangular boxes centred on each other, largest at bottom ; | 2 |  |
| 5(c)(i) | any 3 of: <br> idea of, some is reflected ; <br> some is absorbed by the water OR blocked by, objects / sediment ; <br> some wavelengths / colours are unsuitable (for photosynthesis) ; <br> some does not hit chlorophyll / chloroplast ; <br> photosynthesis is not (100\%) efficient ; | 3 |  |


| Question | Answer | Marks | Guidance |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $5(\mathrm{c})(\mathrm{ii})$ | $25 ;$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |  |
| $5(\mathrm{~d})$ | any 4 of: <br> idea of, more nutrients available / nutrients brought up ; <br> increased photosynthesis ; <br> increased growth ; <br> by producers / algae / kelp / phytoplankton ; <br> more food / energy for other organisms ; | 4 |  |


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| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| 6(a)(i) | make proteins / amino acids / DNA / RNA / ATP / hormones / enzymes / lignin; | $\mathbf{1}$ |  |
| 6(a)(ii) | make organic materials / named organic materials ; | $\mathbf{1}$ |  |
| 6(a)(iii) | make DNA / RNA / bones / ATP / phospholipid membrane ; | $\mathbf{1}$ |  |
| 6(a)(iv) | make chlorophyll; | $\mathbf{1}$ |  |
| 6(b)(i) | any 2 of: <br> ref. to weathering / erosion ; <br> dissolved (in water) ; <br> runoff (to sea) ; | $\mathbf{2}$ |  |
| 6(b)(ii) | any 2 of: <br> death of organisms / uneaten / undigested parts ; <br> ref. to decay / decomposition ; <br> sinking (to the sea bed) ; | $\mathbf{2}$ |  |
| 6(b)(iii) | any 2 of: <br> calcium present in marine organisms ; <br> (permanently) removed (by fishing / harvesting) ; <br> less calcium in the cycle / less calcium to be recycled ; |  |  |


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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7(a) | the role of an organism in an ecosystem; | 1 |  |
| 7(b)(i) | increasing ; <br> due to large population of prey ; | 2 |  |
| 7(b)(ii) | reaches a peak, then falls; <br> initially plenty of food + then prey population declines; <br> OR <br> ref. to time lag between drop in prey and predator populations; | 2 |  |
| 7(c) | both lines decrease ; <br> predator population lags behind prey ; | 2 |  |
| 7(d)(i) | any 1 of: <br> takes time to find suitable food/shelter/mates; <br> low numbers reproducing, therefore low rate (until get larger number of reproductive individuals) ; <br> stress from habitat change ; | 1 |  |
| 7(d)(ii) | line decreasing from time point $\mathbf{M}$; | 1 | A plateau then decrease |
| 7(d)(iii) | any 1 of: <br> disease ; <br> change in food availability ; <br> AVP ; | 1 | e.g. ref. to a change in, salinity / acidity / temperature climate change / lack of suitable nesting sites / habitat loss / environmental stress / adverse weather or example of |

