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MARKING GUIDELINES

MARKS: 150

**These marking guidelines consist of 10 pages and the
cognitive grid.**

SECTION A**QUESTION 1:**

1.1

- 1.1.1 A ✓✓
- 1.1.2 C ✓✓
- 1.1.3 C ✓✓
- 1.1.4 B ✓✓
- 1.1.5 C ✓✓
- 1.1.6 A ✓✓
- 1.1.7 D ✓✓
- 1.1.8 D ✓✓
- 1.1.9 B ✓✓
- 1.1.10 D ✓✓

(10 x 2) (20)

1.2

- 1.2.1 B Only ✓✓
- 1.2.2 A Only ✓✓
- 1.2.3 None ✓✓
- 1.2.4 Both A and B ✓✓
- 1.2.5 A Only ✓✓

(5 x 2) (10)

1.3

- 1.3.1 Bolus/cud ✓✓
- 1.3.2 Broilers ✓✓
- 1.3.3 Vas Deferens/Sperm duct ✓✓
- 1.3.4 Ejaculation ✓✓
- 1.3.5 Pedometer ✓✓

(5 x 2) (10)

1.4

- 1.4.1 Amylase ✓
- 1.4.2 Milking shed/stall/parlour ✓
- 1.4.3 Amnion ✓
- 1.4.4 Dystocia ✓
- 1.4.5 Therapeutic ✓

(5 x 1) (5)

TOTAL SECTION A: 45

SECTION B**QUESTION 2: ANIMAL NUTRITION****2.1 Alimentary canal of a farm animal****2.1.1 Classification of farm animals**

- DIAGRAM A** - Non-ruminant ✓ (1)
DIAGRAM C - Ruminant ✓ (1)

2.1.2 Reason for each classification

- DIAGRAM A** - It has a simple stomach/ventriculus/proventriculus ✓ (1)
DIAGRAM C - It has a complex/compound stomach ✓ (1)

2.1.3 The age group of the animal in DIAGRAM C

- Young ruminant/calf/3 months or younger ✓ (1)

2.1.4 ONE reason visible for the age

- Presence of oesophageal groove ✓
 - Underdeveloped rumen/reticulum/omasum/forestomachs ✓
 - Very large abomasum ✓
- (Any 1) (1)

2.1.5 Identification of the LETTER where pepsin is secreted

- DIAGRAM A** - B ✓ (1)
DIAGRAM C - E ✓ (1)

2.2 Indication of animal feeds

- (a)** Oilcake meal ✓ (1)
(b) Maize meal ✓ (1)
(c) Dried hay ✓ (1)
(d) Green Lucerne ✓ (1)

2.3 Feed composition**2.3.1 Classification of feeds**

- Feed **A** - Concentrate ✓ (1)
Feed **B** - Roughage ✓ (1)

2.3.2 Calculation of the nutritive ratio of FEED A

Calculation of DNNN = TDN (12,5 + 6,0 + 60 + 1,5 = 80%)
 $80 - 12,5 = 67,5\%$ ✓

Nutritive Ratio = 1 : $\frac{\% \text{ digestible non-nitrogen nutrients}}{\% \text{ digestible protein}}$ ✓
 1 : $\frac{67,5\%}{12,5\%}$ ✓
 1 : 5,4 ✓

OR

Calculation of DNNN = TDN (12,5 + 6,0 + 60 + 1,5 = 80%) ✓

Nutritive Ratio = 1 : $\frac{\text{TDN}\% - \text{DP}\%}{\text{DP}\%}$ ✓
 1 : $\frac{80\% - 12,5\%}{12,5\%}$ ✓
 1 : 5,4 ✓ (4)

2.3.3 A purpose for feed

- Growth ✓
- Production ✓
- Reproduction ✓
- Work ✓

(Any 1) (1)

2.3.4 Justify

NR is narrow/< 1:6/more protein for growth ✓

(1)

2.4 Process in the alimentary canal

2.4.1 Identification of the process

Absorption of food ✓

(1)

2.4.2 The part where absorption occurs

Small intestine ✓

(1)

2.4.3 Identification of the type of nutrient transport

A - Passive transport ✓

(1)

B - Active absorption ✓

(1)

2.4.4 Reason for the type of transport

A/Active transport - Nutrients move against concentration gradient/
 from a low to a high concentration ✓

(1)

B/Passive absorption - Nutrients move along concentration gradient/
 from a high to a low concentration ✓

(1)

2.4.5 The nutrient absorbed**(a) Blood capillaries**

- Digested protein ✓
- Carbohydrates ✓
- Amino acids ✓
- Glucose ✓
- Vitamins ✓
- Minerals ✓

(Any 1) (1)

(b) Lacteal

- Digested fats ✓
- Glycerol and fatty acids ✓

(Any 1) (1)

2.5 Feed flow programme**2.5.1 Identification of the month for reducing animals**

June ✓

(1)

2.5.2 Reason

Supplementary requirement for the animal daily is higher than other months ✓

(1)

2.5.3 TWO sustainable actions

- Cutting fodder during the rainy season/making hay ✓
- Storage of fodder for the dry season ✓
- Stock reduction ✓

(Any 2) (2)

2.5.4 Calculation of feed available in tons during February

800 kg/ha x 14 ha ✓

$$= \frac{11\,200\text{ kg}}{1\,000} \checkmark$$

$$= 11,2\text{ tons} \checkmark$$

(3)

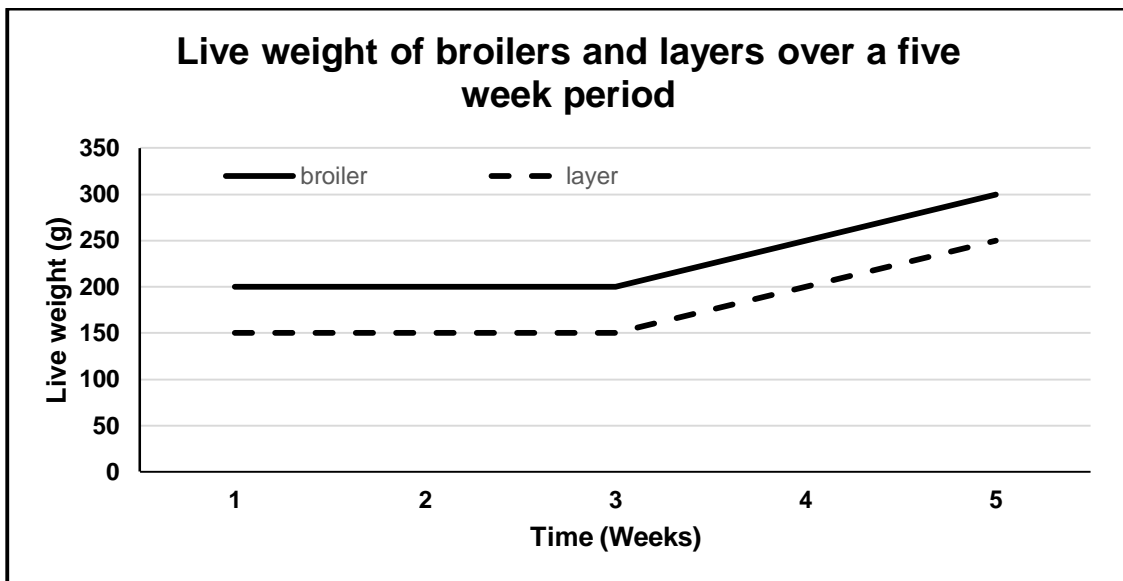
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QUESTION 3: ANIMAL PRODUCTION, PROTECTION AND CONTROL

3.1 Graph on live weight over a period of 5 weeks

3.1.1 **Deduction of the trend of live weight**
As the weeks increase ✓ the live weight remains the same ✓ (2)

3.1.2 **Line graph**



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- Correct heading (indicating both variables) ✓
- X - axis: Correctly calibrated and labelled (Weeks) ✓
- Y - axis: Correctly calibrated and labelled (Live weight) ✓
- Line graph ✓
- Correct units (g) ✓
- Accuracy (80% correctly plotted) ✓ (6)

3.2 Scenario on farming systems

3.2.1 **Identification of the farming systems practised**
Farmer A - Commercial farming ✓ (1)
Farmer B - Subsistence farming ✓ (1)

3.2.2 **Justification**
Farmer A - Produces on a large scale/sells the produce for profit ✓ (1)
Farmer B - Produce to sustain the family ✓ (1)

3.2.3 **Farming system with the highest negative impact to the environmental** - Commercial farming ✓ (1)

- 3.2.4 **ONE environmental effect**
- Farmer **A** produces 1 220 tons of manure per year ✓
 - Produce methane gass as a by-product of ruminant digestion ✓
- (Any 1) (1)

3.3 Apparatus used for a management practice in sheep production

- 3.3.1 **Identification of apparatus**
Elastrator ✓ (1)

- 3.3.2 **Function of apparatus with sheep**
Tail docking/castration ✓ (1)

- 3.3.3 **ONE reason why apparatus is preferred**
- Easy to use/fast ✓
 - Cheap ✓
 - Bloodless method ✓
 - Hygienic method ✓
- (Any 1) (1)

- 3.3.4 **Age group where it is performed**
Young as possible/before day 7 after birth ✓ (1)

- 3.3.5 **Justify**
- Animals are easier to handle/smaller ✓
 - Less tissue damage/blood/animals recover quicker ✓
 - Less stress on animals/personnel ✓
- (Any 1) (1)

- 3.3.6 **ONE other apparatus that can be used**
- Knife/Scalpel ✓
 - Burdizzo ✓
 - Electrical hot knife/blade ✓
- (Any 1) (1)

3.4 Diseases in farm animals

- 3.4.1 **Complete table**
- | | | |
|---------------------------------|--|-----|
| A - Bacteria/Bacterium ✓ | | (1) |
| B - Cattle/Sheep/Goat ✓ | | (1) |
| C - Protozoa/Protozoan ✓ | | (1) |
| D - Lumpy wool ✓ | | (1) |

- 3.4.2 **Disease affecting only dairy cows**
Mastitis ✓ (1)

- 3.4.3 **TWO management practices used to prevent red water**
- Inoculation/vaccination/immunisation ✓
 - Dipping to control ticks ✓
 - Move animals/veld management/rotational grazing/
burning of the veld ✓
- (Any 2) (2)

- 3.4.4 **Farm animal susceptible to mastitis**
Lactating dairy cattle/cow/female animal ✓ (1)

3.5 Poisonous plants

- 3.5.1 **Common name for these plants**
Poisonous/toxic plants ✓ (1)
- 3.5.2 **Farm animal mainly affected by poison leaf**
Cattle ✓ (1)
- 3.5.3 **TWO other poisonous plants**
- Maize fungus ✓
 - Thorn apple ✓
 - Poisonous bulb ✓ (Any 2) (2)
- 3.5.4 **TWO types of sheep most susceptible for poisonous plants**
- Exotic breeds ✓
 - Young animals/lambs ✓
 - Old animals ✓
 - Pregnant animals ✓ (Any 2) (2)
- 3.5.5 **Protein substitute for ruminants**
Urea ✓ (1)
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QUESTION 4: ANIMAL REPRODUCTION**4.1 Reproductive systems**

- 4.1.1 **Identification of the letter**
- (a) D ✓ (1)
 - (b) C ✓ (1)
 - (c) E ✓ (1)
 - (d) A ✓ (1)
- 4.1.2 **Congenital defect in males and females causing sterility**
Hypoplasia ✓ (1)
- 4.1.3 **TWO hormones responsible for ovulation**
- Luteinizing hormone ✓
 - Oestrogen hormone ✓ (2)

4.2 TWO senses regulating mating behaviour in bull

- Smell ✓
- Sight ✓
- Touch/tactile ✓ (Any 2) (2)

4.3 Artificial Insemination

4.3.1 Chronological order of the steps during AI

- Semen harvesting ✓ (1)
- Semen examination ✓ (1)
- Semen dilution ✓ (1)
- Heat detention ✓ (1)
- Placing of semen into the reproductive tract of a cow ✓ (1)

4.3.2 TWO economic benefits of AI for the farmer

- More female animals can be fertilized by superior male animals ✓
- It is a quick and economic way of improving the herd ✓
- Commercial value of herd is improved ✓
- No need to buy a bull ✓
- Higher conception rate ✓ (Any 2) (2)

4.3.3 Other scientific technique to improve production rate

- Embryo flushing ✓
- Embryo transfer ✓ (Any 1) (1)

4.4 Cloning

4.4.1 Identification of the process

Cloning/Nuclear transfer ✓ (1)

4.4.2 Letter of the sheep that is identical to a cloned sheep

Sheep A ✓ (1)

4.4.3 Letter of the sheep that will be a surrogate

E ✓ (1)

4.4.4 The processes at C

Enucleation ✓ (1)

4.4.5 TWO aims of the cloning

- To produce large number of genetically identical animals ✓
- To produce offspring from high quality animals ✓
- To preserve superior genetics ✓
- To increase the number of endangered species ✓ (Any 2) (2)

4.5 Gestation stages

- 4.5.1 **Identification of the process**
Fertilisation ✓ (1)
- 4.5.2 **The stage of pregnancy at A**
Ovum stage ✓ (1)
- 4.5.3 **The structure that develops to feed the calf at C**
The udder ✓ (1)
- 4.5.4 **TWO systems developing at B**
- Respiratory system ✓
 - Digestive system ✓
 - Uro-genital and vascular system ✓
 - Central nervous system ✓
- (Any 2) (2)
- 4.5.5 **TWO reasons for abortion**
- Hormonal or metabolic abnormalities ✓
 - Malnutrition ✓
 - Trauma and injuries ✓
 - Poisoning ✓
 - Infections ✓
 - Allergies and twinning ✓
 - Genetic/chromosomal defects ✓
- (Any 2) (2)

4.6 Parturition

- 4.6.1 **The type of presentation**
- (a) Anterior presentation ✓ (1)
- (b) Posterior presentation ✓ (1)
- 4.6.2 **Presentation that will need veterinary assistance**
Posterior presentation ✓ (1)
- 4.6.3 **TWO problems causing difficult birth**
- Deviation of head ✓
 - Flexion of the elbow ✓
 - Retention of one or both forelegs ✓
 - Congenital defects/deformities ✓
 - Twins ✓
- (Any 2) (2)

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TOTAL SECTION B: 105
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