

Case study mark scheme

A: quality of selection and use of information

Mark	Planning the use of sources of information	Acknowledgement of sources used	Linking information to specific sources
1	I have only used information that was given by the teacher.		
2	I have used information from 2 different sources to explain what my case study is about most (2) of it is about my case study but some (1) of it is not.	I have said where I got my information 'I got this from Google'	I have said where I got some of the information but I haven't made any direct quotes .
3	I have selected information from 3 different sources.	I have said where I got my information from in more detail ' I got this from www.somewhere.com '	I have said where I got some of the information from and I have quoted what people have said from some of the information I have.
4	I have selected relevant information from at least 4 different sources and explained how reliable they are and why.	I have said where I got my information from and it is very detailed including the full address, time and date I accessed it. www.science.co.uk/cloving 21st June 2010 14.12pm.	I have said where I got every piece of information from and used quotes from articles in the whole of my report.

Total marks for A =

B: Quality of understanding of the case study

Marks	Making use of scientific explanations	Recognition and evaluation of scientific evidence
2	I have just cut and pasted information without writing much myself.	I have made statements about cloning without saying if they are evidence or opinion .
4	I have described basic cloning and its uses.	I have made statements about cloning saying if they are evidence or opinion .
6	I have written in detail the science behind cloning including the different types of cloning.	I have made statements about cloning linked with evidence from sources to support it.
8	I have used the scientific knowledge in my study to back up claims and arguments made by different people.	I have rated the quality and reliability of the science claims made by all the sources in my case study.

Total marks for B =

C: Quality of conclusions

Marks	Comparing opposing evidence and views	Conclusions and recommendations
2	I have described cloning without giving arguments for or against.	I have said if I agree or disagree with cloning.
4	I have separated views on cloning into for and against.	I have based my opinion on evidence from one side of the argument.
6	I have matched my arguments for with similar arguments against.	I have written a conclusion based on evidence from both sides of the argument, and I have said what is wrong with both arguments.
8	I have compared both sides of the argument and I have rated both arguments and given reasons for my judgement .	I have written a conclusion which shows that it is possible to support both arguments with the same evidence .

Total for C=

D: Quality of presentation

Marks	Structure and organisation of report	Use of visual means of communication	Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG)
1	I have no sub headings and my report is not in order.	I don't have any pictures .	I have made lots of SPaG mistakes .
2	I have sub headings and my report follows a sensible order.	I have used pictures graphs and tables for decoration only or they aren't easy to read.	I have made some SPaG mistakes and I have used some science vocabulary in the text.
3	My case study is set out with a title page , contents page , and page numbers , so that it is easy to find things.	I have used labelled pictures graphs and data tables to show important information or to show an idea and they are clear.	The SPaG is generally very good with very few mistakes and I have used science vocabulary and technical words well.
4	I have presented the issues and conclusions clearly so that people can understand them and it looks good (including font, font size, size of pictures, page breaks and page headings).	I have used pictures graphs and data throughout my case study and explained each one in my own words.	My SPaG is excellent. My use of vocabulary and technical words is effective and relevant to my case study.

Total marks for D =