

GCE Advanced Biology Unit 6BI06

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Individual Investigation
Consultancy Service

INDIVIDUAL INVESTIGATION CONSULTANCY SERVICE

1) The most important consideration for students and / or teachers in this Unit is whether or not the title chosen is suitable and will allow access to the criteria. If you have doubts about the suitability of a title, please use the Ask The Expert service (gcebiology@edexcelexperts.co.uk) to send an enquiry to one of our Senior Examiners. Please note that this check should be for unusual titles - our Examiners should not be expected to check complete lists of titles for all your class; neither will they suggest titles of possible investigations to you.

2) Once you have started to mark some of your students' investigations, you may find it useful to have some feedback on whether the write-ups are meeting the assessment criteria.

Therefore, a centre may send **UP TO TWO** examples of Individual Investigation write-ups electronically (ideally with your suggested marks) to the Subject Leader for GCE Biology: assie.yamin@edexcel.com. (It is often useful to send one piece of work that you think is high-scoring and one piece of work that you think is in the mid-range).

If the reports are very large files, it may be more convenient to send them on a CD or, exceptionally, as hard copy (but **NOT** the original copy) to Assie Yamin, Subject Leader for GCE Biology, 5th floor, Edexcel, 190 High Holborn, London, WC1V 7BH.

Centres should ensure that the work is sent in a readable format. This applies especially to centres using Word 2007, who should either use the "Save as..." facility to save it as a Word 2003 file, or save it as an Adobe pdf file.

The work will be sent to a Senior Moderator, who will usually reply within two weeks, but up to four weeks should be allowed. You will benefit most from this service if the information grid is completed, as the Senior Moderator will be able to focus on your comments.

NB Please note also that the Senior Moderator will comment on areas of strength and weakness: he/she will **NOT** mark the work. If you want advice on how to mark, then please book onto an INSET event - see <http://www.edexcel.com/resources/training/Pages/Home.aspx>

You will not be charged a fee for this service.

The samples can be sent at any time during the year, but work intended for submission in May should be sent by 31st March that year.

The work submitted to Edexcel will not be returned to you so please keep a copy in your centre. Edexcel can bear no responsibility for work which is lost or becomes unreadable in transit.

Please note that work submitted to Edexcel may be used as exemplar material (as is the case with coursework submitted for moderation).

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Do not forget that the GCE 2008 page for Biology contains other useful resources to help deliver the GCE in Biology: <http://www.edexcel.com/quals/gce/gce08/biology/Pages/default.aspx>

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Centre Name:	Centre Number:
Candidate Name:	

Brief title of study:

Assessment criteria	Level of response (please tick - ✓ - level awarded)								Final mark awarded	MODERATOR USE ONLY
	0 - 2		3 - 6		7 - 9		10 - 11			
1 Research and rationale									/11	/11
	Comment:									
2 Planning									/11	/11
	Comment:									
3 Observing and recording									/8	/8
	Comment:									
4 Interpreting and evaluation									/9	/9
	Comment:									
5 Communicating									/6	/6
	Comment:									
TOTAL MARK									/45	/45