	The Brain		
1	Cerebral Cortex	for consciousness, intelligence, memory, language	
2	Medulla	for unconscious activities (eg breathing, heartbeat)	
3	Hypothalamus	thermoregulatory Centre – controls temperature	
4	Cerebellum	for muscle co-ordination	
	The Eye		
5	Retina	contains light receptors	
6	Lens	focuses the light on the retina	
7	Optic nerve	carries impulses from the eye to the brain	
8	Sclera	protects the eye	
9	Cornea	refracts light rays	
10	Iris	regulates the amount of light entering the pupil	
11	Ciliary muscles	change the shape of the lens	
12	2 Suspensory ligaments hold the lens in place		
13	Accommodation	changing the shape of the lens to focus on near or	
		distant objects	
14	a) Near objects	ciliary muscles contract & suspensory muscles loosen	
		Lens is thicker so refracts more strongly	
15	b) Distant	ciliary muscles relax & suspensory muscles tighten	
	Objects	Lens is thinner so refracts only slightly	
16	Myopia	short sightedness	
17	Hyperopia	long sightedness	
18	Laser Eye Surgery	changes the shape of the cornea	
	Temperature control		
19	Thermoregulation	control of body temperature	
20	If you are too hot	vasodilation, sweating	
21	If you are too cold	vasoconstriction, shivering, stop sweating.	
	Uses of plant hormones		
22	Auxins uses	weed killers, rooting powders,	
		promoting tissue growth	
23	Gibberellins uses	end seed dormancy, promote flowering,	
		increasing fruit size	
24	Ethene use	controls fruit ripening during storage and transport	

	Water Balance			
25	How water	exhalation & sweating		
	leaves			
26	Kidneys	remov	e excess water, ions and urea through urine	
27	If you lose too	loss of	function of body cells	
	much water			
28		hormo	ne that controls water levels	
29	ADH	produc	ced by pituitary gland	
30			n kidney tubules to cause more water to be re-	
		absorb	ped back into the blood. (negative feedback)	
31	Urea	amino	acids are deaminated in the liver to form	
	ammo		nia. ammonia is toxic, so converted to urea.	
32	Kidney Dialysis used to treat kid		o treat kidney failure	
	Plant Hormones			
33	Auxins		stimulate plant cells to elongate	
34	Gibberellins		initiate germination of seeds	
35	Ethene		controls cell division & ripening of fruit	
36	Phototropism		plant response to light	
37	Geotropism		plant response to gravity	
38	Required Practical: Plant Responses			
Α	Independent Variable		angle of light or gravity	
В	Dependent Variable		length of seedlings	
С	Control Variables		seed variety, soil type, temperature, water.	
D	Method: Plant Responses			
	i) allow 10 seedlings to germinate in 3 dishes			
	ii) place each tray in different conditions (eg partial light etc)			
	iii) every day for 1 week record the length of seedlings			
	iv) provide each one with the same amount of water each day.			
	v) calculate	a mean	for each condition & compare.	

Year: 10

	Reproduction			
1	Pros and cons	+ variation, disease less likely		
	of sexual	- time and energy needed to find a mate		
	reproduction			
2	Pros and cons	+ less energy spent finding mates, can produce large quantities of		
	of asexual	offspring		
	reproduction	- No variation can lead to disease affecting all.		
3	DNA Structure	made up of nucleotides that consist of a sugar, phosphate and		
		base		
4	Base pair rules	A-T		
		C-G		
	Inheritance			
5	Gregor Mendel	carried out experiments on pea plants to look at inheritance		
		patterns.		

	Making proteins		
6	Amino acid	building blocks of proteins	
7 A	QA Biology Only	y Unit 7: Ecology	
	synthesis	ribosomes of the cell	
8	The sequence of protein synthesis	Stage 1 – In the nucleus DNA unzips and a single strand copy is made Stage 2 – In the ribosome copy travels to the ribosome every 3 bases codes for an amino acid the amino acids bond together to form a protein.	
9	Ribosome	the site of protein synthesis	
10	Mutation	change in the DNA sequence can change the protein being made	

	Evolution	Evolution		
11	Charles	scientist who outlined his theory of evolution		
	Darwin			
12	Jean-	theory of evolution based on characteristics improving		
	Baptiste	due to use, this idea has been discredited		
	Lamarck			
13	Wallace	did much of the pioneering work on speciation		
14	Speciation	the formation of new species		

	Artificial processes		
15	Cloning	genetically identical copies are made of animals or	
		plants	
16	Adult cell	i) nucleus is removed from an unfertilised egg cell	
	cloning key	ii) the nucleus from an adult body cell is inserted into	
	steps	the egg cell	
		iii) electric shock causes the egg cell to divide to form	
		iv) inserted into the womb of an adult female	
17	Cuttings	taking a cutting from a plant to produce identical	
		offspring	
18	Tissue	uses small groups of cells from part of a plant to grow a	
	culture	new plant	

	Organisation of an ecosystem		
1	Decomposition	breaking down material	
2	RP – measure the effect of temperature on the rate of decay of fresh milk by		
	measuring pH change		
Α	Independent variable	temperature of milk	
В	Dependent variable	time taken for pH to change (time taken to decay)	
С	Control variable	type of milk, volume of milk	
D	Method	i. place chosen volume of fresh milk into three	
		beakers	
		ii. use universal indicator to determine the pH	
		iii. incubate each beaker at a different temperature	
		iv. use universal indicator to determine the pH of the	
		milk after 24, 48 and 72 hours	
	Trophic levels		
3	Trophic level	the position of an organism in a food chain, food web	
		or pyramid	
4	Biomass	the dry mass of an organism	
5	Pyramid of biomass	represents the relative biomass at each trophic level	
6	Apex predator	the final level of the food chain	
7	Causes of biomass loss	- not all ingested material is absorbed	
		- some absorbed material is lost as waste	
8	Efficiency of biomass	= (biomass / biomass at previous level) x 100	
	transfer		

	Food production	
9	Food security	having enough food to feed a
		population
10	Factors which are	- increasing population
	threatening food	- change in diet
	security	- new pathogens/pests,
		- environmental changes, conflicts
11	Sustainable	control of net size and fishing limits help
	fisheries	with sustainable fishing
12	Biotechnology	the use of selective breeding and
		genetic modification techniques in
		farming