6.8 Animal Experimentation and the Use of Animals: 10-minute Pack

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Total Marks

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Answer ALL questions.

1 Give two reasons why some Christians choose to eat little or no meat.

(Total for Question 1 is 2 marks)

2 Explain how the 3Rs try to balance the views of people who support animal experimentation and people who oppose it.

(Total for Question 2 is 3 marks)

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3 Explain two Christian teachings about kindness to animals. Refer to scripture in your answer.

(Total for Question 3 is 4 marks)

4 Give three reasons why some people, religious or non-religious, campaign against using animals in scientific experiments.

(Total for Question 4 is 3 marks)

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Question 1

one valid reason, e.g. concern for animal welfare or suffering (especially in intensive farming), linked to a belief that humans should care for animals, oe — **B1**

a second, different valid reason, e.g. concern for the environment because livestock farming can harm creation, which humans are meant to look after (stewardship), or a belief that in Genesis 1:29 the first food God gave humans was plants, oe — **B1**

Answer: Any two different reasons, e.g. concern for animal welfare; concern for the environment and stewardship of creation; Genesis 1:29 (plants given as food).

Question 2

supporters of animal research want it to continue because it may lead to medical and scientific benefits, oe — **B1**

opponents are concerned about the suffering caused to animals and about the number of animals used, oe — **B1**

the 3Rs (replacement, reduction, refinement) allow research to continue but aim to use fewer animals and cause less suffering, so each side gets some of what it wants, oe — **B1**

Answer: Supporters want research to continue for medical benefit; opponents want less suffering; the 3Rs let research continue while replacing, reducing and refining animal use.

Question 3

point 1: many Christians believe God cares about each of his creatures, so humans should care about animals too, oe — **B1**

development: in Matthew 10:29 Jesus teaches that not one sparrow falls to the ground outside the Father's care, or another accurate scripture reference supporting the point, oe — **B1**

point 2: many Christians believe a good person looks after the welfare of the animals in their care, oe — **B1**

development: Proverbs 12:10 says that 'the righteous care for the needs of their animals', or another accurate scripture reference supporting the point, oe — **B1**

Answer: E.g. God cares for every creature (Matthew 10:29, the sparrow); the righteous care for the needs of their animals (Proverbs 12:10).

Question 4

belief that animals can suffer and their suffering matters morally, oe — **B1**

belief that alternatives, such as computer modelling or cell-culture testing, should be used instead wherever possible, oe — **B1**

concern that some experiments are unnecessary or do not lead to genuine benefits for humans or animals, oe — **B1**

Answer: Any three: belief animal suffering matters morally; preference for non-animal alternatives; concern some experiments are unnecessary.

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