

STUDENT WEBINAR

AQA A-LEVEL BIOLOGY: PAPER 3

FOCUS

This webinar gives students the opportunity to sample a favour of the questions covered in paper 3 whilst reinforcing that all topics from themes 1–8 can be assessed.

There will be a brief analysis of the common mistakes made by students in recent examinations with the opportunity to work through past questions covering genetic engineering, links between respiration and transport mechanisms and mutations that ensure students don't make the same mistakes. Sample questions will illustrate how questions will be structured and how to select and use a statistical test. Finally, we will look at what makes an outstanding essay and how to approach this question in the exam.

The session is designed to allow active participation by the students with time embedded for them to attempt questions before model answers are provided. Tips on common mistakes, importance of terminology and accuracy of student answers will be reinforced throughout the session.

PROGRAMME

Common mistakes made by students with examples

TIME

4.00 - 4.10pm

- What do the examiners report tell us?
- Review past paper questions and mistakes commonly made.

tips on how to successfully tackle AO 2 & 3 questions with example questions to try

4.10 - 4.35pm

- Look at a range of past paper questions that require analysis of graphs and tables.
- Outline a successful approach to tackling these questions.

Practical questions: work through some example of past papers questions

4.35 - 4.50pm

- What types of questions will you face?
- Tackle a range of practical base questions covering examples such as microbiology and muscles.

How to approach the 25 mark essay question

4.50 - 5.00pm

- What will an excellent essay cover?
- How to plan an essay

WHY SHOULD YOU BOOK A STUDENT WEBINAR?

- ✓ Give your students the edge to find out directly from examiners how to maximise their achievement potential
- ✓ Consolidate and deepen key knowledge essentials
- ✓ Listen to and discuss exemplar work
- ✓ Find out more about the key challenges and what the examiner is looking for in top quality work

DATE

Tuesday 17 November 2020

WEBINAR LEADER

Michael Brown was an examiner for 18 years and has worked in post 16 education for 23 years, initially as an A-level Biology Tutor before progressing to Head of Department and finally STEM and Quality Initiatives Manager. He has had a positive effect on student's aspirations and achievement; his Learner Voice results are always very positive and examination results have been consistently above benchmark for all KPI's with excellent value added.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- All students taking A-level Biology with AQA
- This webinar will be of benefit to students studying with other awarding bodies

FOCUS POINTS

- Focus on how to succeed on the key skills and question types required for Paper 3
- Understand the common mistakes that students make in Paper 3 and how to avoid making them
- Examine answers demonstrating how to tackle the essay question and ensure high marks
- Review the best way for tackling synoptic and questions covering practical techniques on Paper 3
- Opportunities for students to ask questions and receive feedback
- Review of the 15 mark critical analysis of data question.
- Advice on tackling the essay.
- Receive a set of further questions to practice on in the lead up to the exams