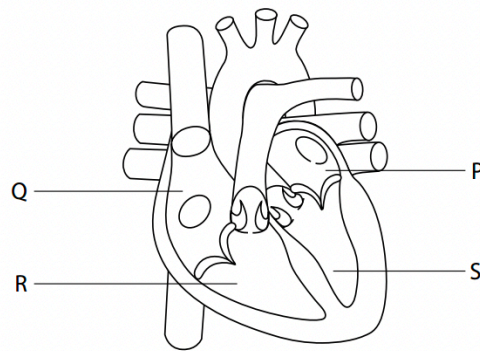




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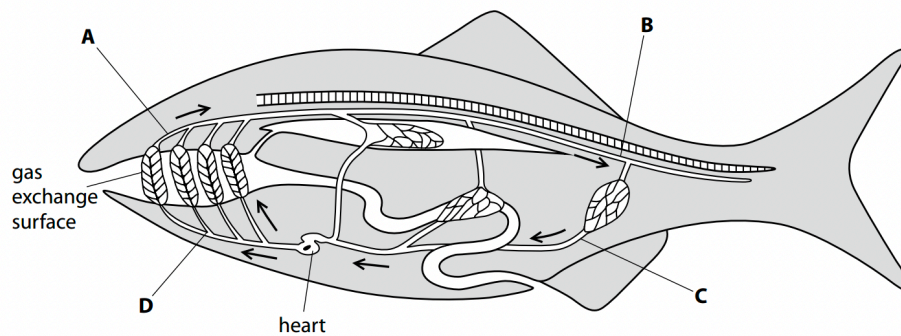
- A P
- B Q
- C R
- D S

(ii) Which stage of the cardiac cycle is shown in the diagram of the heart?

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- A atrial diastole
- B atrial systole
- C ventricular diastole
- D ventricular systole

(b) The diagram shows the direction of blood flow in a fish.



(i) Which labelled part of this circulatory system has the lowest concentration of carbon dioxide?

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- A
- B
- C
- D

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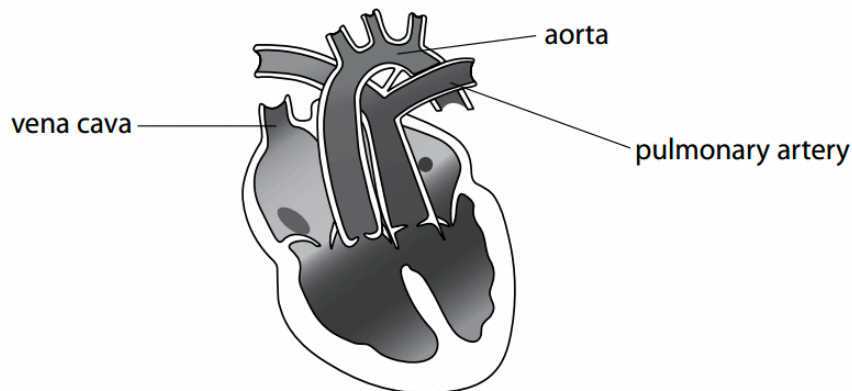
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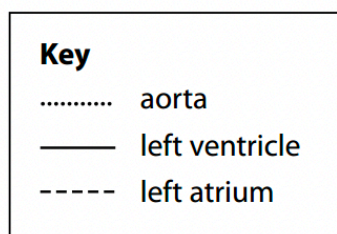
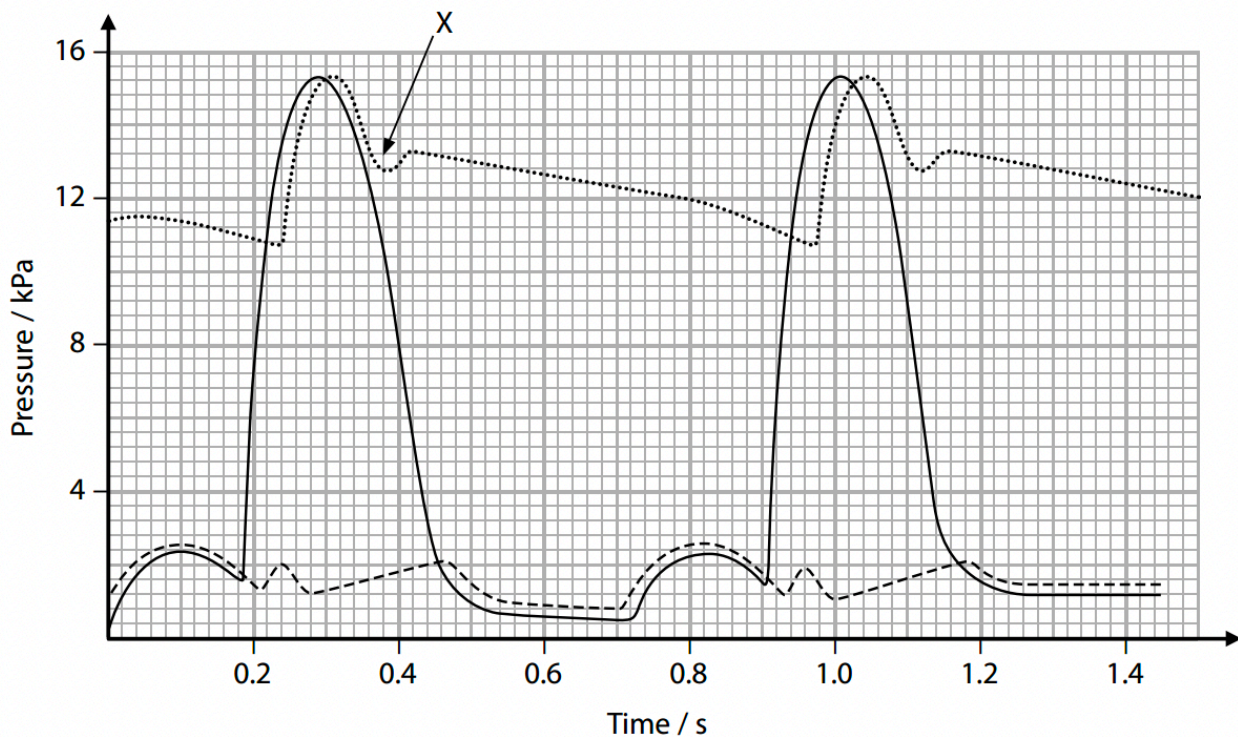
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(2)

Answer beats per minute

5 Q4b

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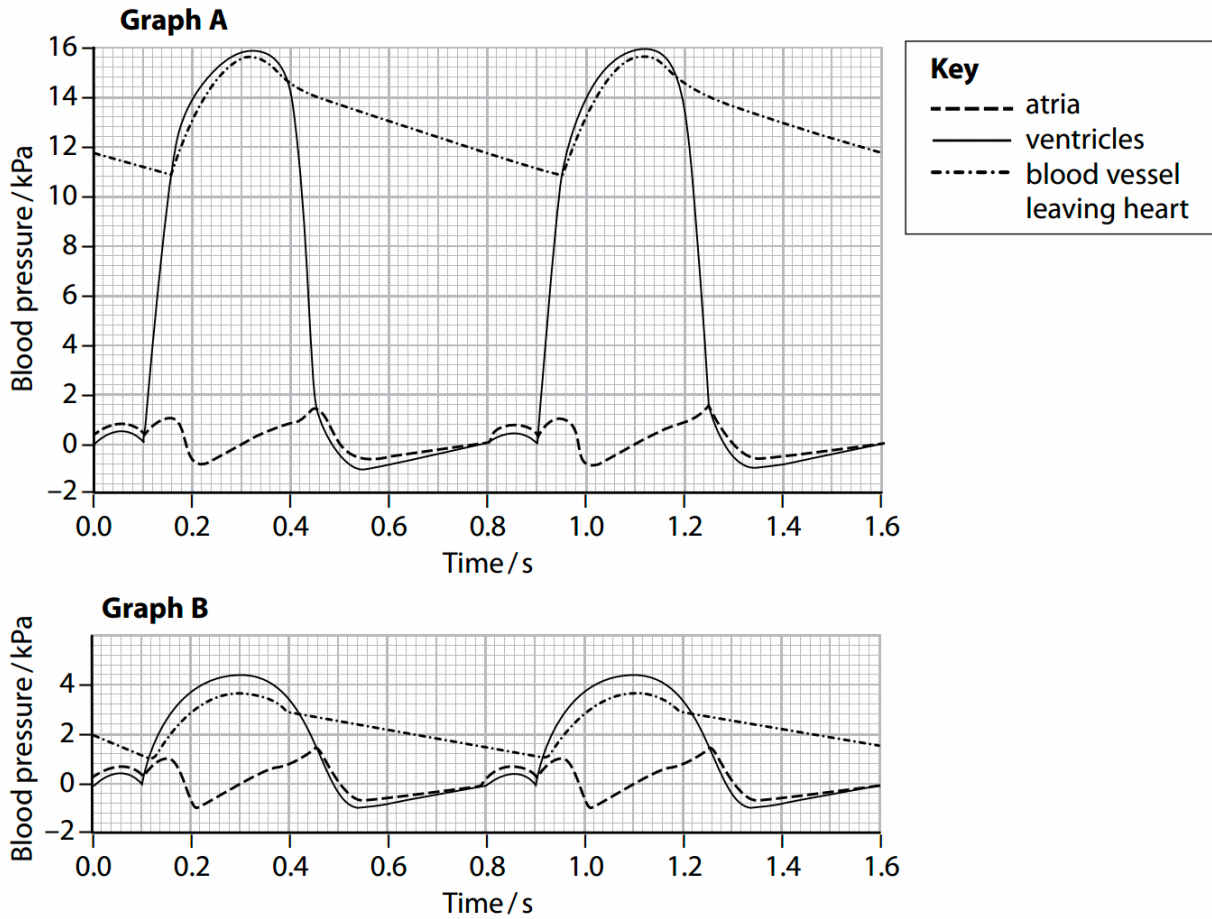
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(2)

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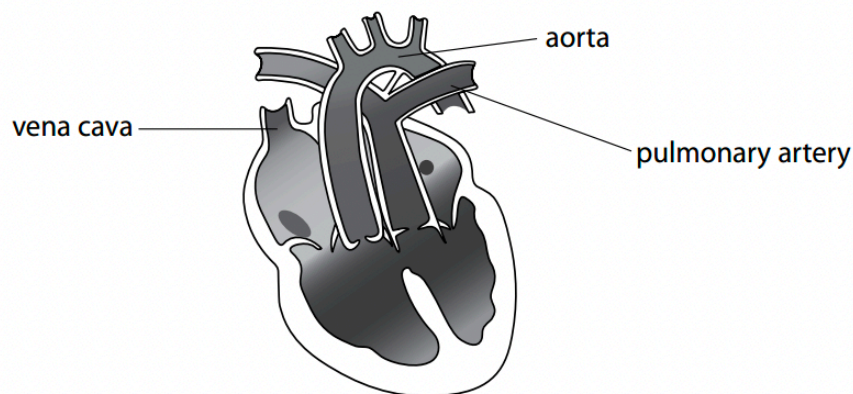
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A description that makes reference to two of the following points:

1. more { stimulation / depolarisation } of the SAN (from the sympathetic nervous system) / more impulses to the SAN (1)
2. (causing) more frequent waves of depolarisation from the SAN (to the atria) (1)
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The aorta and pulmonary artery are { attached to the wrong ventricles / the wrong way around }

Allow aorta leaves the right ventricle and the pulmonary artery leaves the left ventricle

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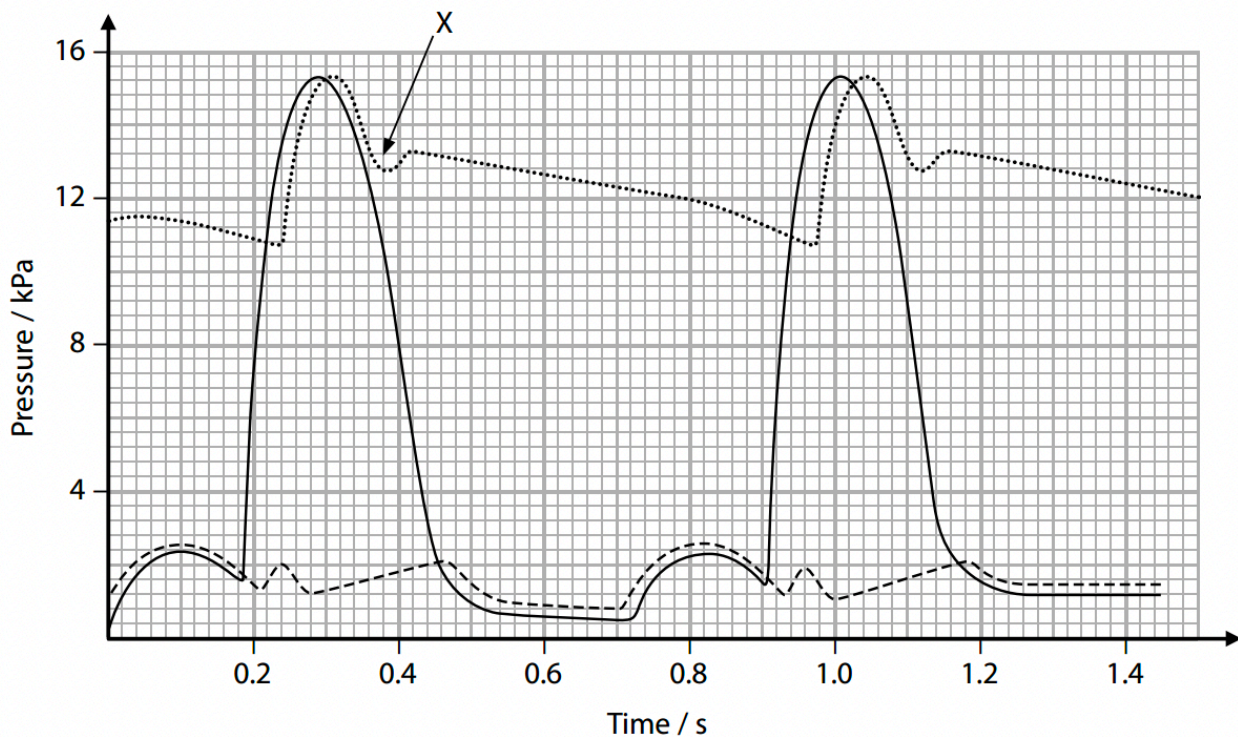
1. the hole allows oxygenated and deoxygenated blood to mix (between the two ventricles) (1)
2. oxygenated blood { travels to the body / enters aorta } / deoxygenated blood { travels to the lungs / enters pulmonary artery } (1)
3. providing some oxygen for respiration (1)

Allow converse



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(iii) Use the information on the graph to calculate the heart rate of this person.

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Allow ± 0.02 s for the duration of the cycle
Allow full marks for the correct answer, no working

one cycle = 0.72 s (1)
60 \div 0.72 = 83.3 (1)
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0.19s/0.91s(1)

Allow ± 0.01 s

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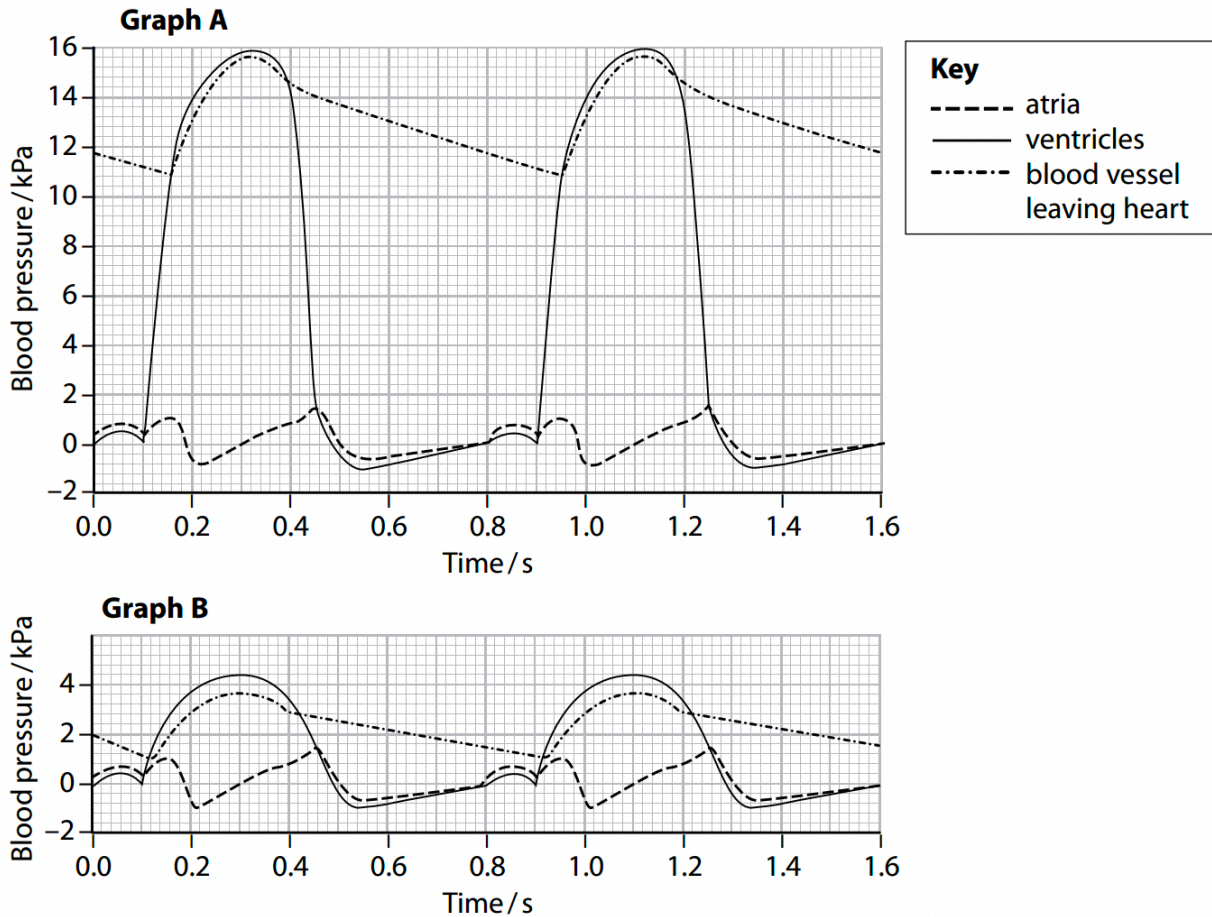
An explanation that makes reference to the following:

- ventricle needs to contract and force blood into the {aorta / pulmonary artery / arteries} (1)
- so valves need to close to prevent backflow into the atria on contraction (1)



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- correct figures from graph
- correct answer with unit

Example of calculation

e.g. 120 and 1.6 or 60 and 0.8

$120 \div 1.6 / 60 \div 0.8$

75 bpm

Answer



(b) (i) Explain which side of the human heart is represented by graph B.

(2)

An explanation that makes reference to the following:

1. right (1)
2. because the pressure is lower (in blood transported from heart to the lungs) (1)

(ii) In graph A, which blood vessel carries the blood leaving the heart?

(1)

- A** aorta A
- B** pulmonary artery
- C** pulmonary vein
- D** vena cava

(iii) In graph A, the blood pressure inside the ventricle changes between 0.0 and 0.45 seconds.

Explain how these changes in blood pressure occur in this part of the cardiac cycle.

(4)

An explanation which makes reference to the following:

1. from 0 s (to 0.05 s) pressure increases due to atrial systole (1)
2. ventricle fills with blood { from the atrium / due to atrial systole } (1)
3. after atrial systole finishes (from 0.05s to 0.1s) there is a fall in ventricular pressure (1)
4. from 0.1s (to 0.32 s) increase in pressure due to ventricular systole (1)
5. (from 0.32 s) ventricular pressure decreases due to (ventricular) diastole (1)

1. ALLOW contraction of (muscular)walls of atria
4. ALLOW contraction of (muscular walls of) ventricle
5. ALLOW relaxation of (muscular walls of) ventricle



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[4 marks]

1. Chemoreceptors detect rise in CO_2 /H⁺/acidity/carbonic acid/fall in pH

OR

Baro/pressure receptors detect rise in blood pressure;

2. Send impulses to cardiac centre/medulla;

3. More impulses to SAN;

4. By sympathetic (nervous system for chemoreceptors/ CO_2)

OR

By parasympathetic (nervous system for baro/pressure receptors/blood pressure);

1. Ignore: location of receptors.

1. Ignore: chemoreceptors detect oxygen.

2 and 3. Accept: action potentials.

2. Reject: 'messages', 'signals', 'an impulse' or an 'action potential'.

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(5)

An explanation that makes reference to five of the following:

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2. Increase in lactate / fall in pH stimulates the respiratory centre (1)
3. Reference to chemoreceptors in the medulla/carotid bodies/aortic bodies (1)
4. More impulses sent to diaphragm and intercostal muscles (1)
5. Resulting in an increase in the rate and depth of breathing (1)
6. pH returns to normal as CO_2 is removed and ventilation rate decreases (1)

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1. exercise initiates impulses from the {motor cortex / stretch receptors in muscles / proprioceptors } (1)
2. (impulses sent to or from the) { ventilation centre / respiratory control centre / medulla oblongata } (1)
3. leading to increased impulses to { intercostal muscles / diaphragm } (1)

1. IGNORE reference to chemoreceptors and changes in carbon dioxide or temperature receptors



10.2

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4 max

[4 marks]

1. (Lower metabolism so) less/low CO₂ (in blood);
2. (Detected by) chemoreceptors;
3. (Chemoreceptors) located in aorta/medulla
OR
(Chemoreceptors) located in carotid artery;
4. Fewer impulses to cardiac centre;
OR
Fewer impulses to medulla (oblongata);
5. (More) impulses along parasympathetic/vagus pathway/neurones/nerve
OR
Fewer impulses along sympathetic pathway/neurones/nerve;
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 2. the cardiovascular control centre { receives impulses from chemoreceptors / sends impulses to the heart } (1)
 3. (therefore impulses are transmitted) along the parasympathetic { nerve / nervous system / nerve pathway } to the SAN (reducing heart rate) (1)
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2. ALLOW cardiac control centre
ALLOW cardiovascular control centre sends impulses to the SAN
 3. ALLOW vagus nerve

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- thermoreceptors detect a decrease in temperature (1)
- { hypothalamus / thermoregulatory centre } sends fewer impulses to sweat glands (1)



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1 *carboxylic acid* should be carbonic acid / H_2CO_3 ✓

2 *vagus* (nerve) should be , accelerator / sympathetic / accelerans , (nerve) ✓

3 AVN should be , SAN / sinoatrial node ✓

4 baroreceptors should be chemoreceptors

OR

pH should be pressure ✓

5 *smooth muscle* should be cardiac muscle ✓

Error and correct term must be clearly identified.

ALLOW copied statements where correct terms replace errors.

1 **IGNORE** carbon dioxide

5 **ALLOW** specialised striated

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CHANGING HEART RATE (OCR)



Question	Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
5 (b)	<p>1 adrenalin(e) increases, heart rate / stroke volume / cardiac output ;</p> <p>2 cardiovascular centre in medulla oblongata ;</p> <p>3 <i>idea of nervous connection to</i> , SAN / sino-atrial node ;</p> <p>4 (which) controls frequency of waves of , excitation / depolarisation ;</p> <p>5 vagus / parasympathetic , nerve decreases heart rate ;</p> <p>6 accelerator / sympathetic , nerve increases heart rate ;</p> <p>7 high blood pressure detected by , stretch receptors / baroreceptors ;</p> <p>8 low blood pH / increased levels of blood CO₂ , detected by chemoreceptors ;</p> <p>9 (receptors) in , aorta / carotid sinus / carotid arteries ;</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p> <p>5</p> <p>6</p> <p>7</p> <p>8</p> <p>9</p> <p>4 max</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2 ACCEPT 'cardiac' instead of cardiovascular but not for QWC</p> <p>3 ACCEPT SAN for mp 3 but not for QWC</p> <p>4 CREDIT in relation to mp 2 or mp 3</p> <p>5 ONLY CREDIT vagus or parasympathetic for QWC</p> <p>6 ONLY CREDIT accelerator or sympathetic for QWC ACCEPT phrenic nerve</p> <p>7 DO NOT CREDIT proprioceptor</p> <p>8</p> <p>9</p>
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