



First Semester Examination
2023/2024 Academic Session

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**BZT305 – Vertebrate Zoology
(Zoologi Vertebrata)**

Duration : 2 hours
(Masa : 2 jam)

Please check that this examination paper consists of THREE (3) pages of printed material before you begin the examination.

[*Sila pastikan bahawa kertas peperiksaan ini mengandungi TIGA (3) muka surat yang bercetak sebelum anda memulakan peperiksaan ini.*]

Instructions: Answer **FOUR (4)** out of **FIVE (5)** questions, in English or Bahasa Malaysia. Each question carries 25 marks.

[Arahan:] Jawab **EMPAT (4)** daripada **LIMA (5)** soalan yang diberikan dalam Bahasa Inggeris atau Bahasa Malaysia. Tiap-tiap soalan bernilai 25 markah.]

In the event of any discrepancies, the English version shall be used.

[*Sekiranya terdapat sebarang percanggahan pada soalan peperiksaan, versi Bahasa Inggeris hendaklah digunakan.*]

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1. [a] Determine the characteristics of vertebrate fossil records from the Mesozoic Era.
[Tentukan ciri rekod fosil vertebrata dari Era Mesozoik.]

(10 marks / 10 markah)

- [b] Analyse the Pangaea movement and its effect on the vertebrate diversity and distribution.
[Berikan analisis pergerakan Pangaea dan kesannya ke atas kepelbagaian dan taburan vertebrata.]

(15 marks / 15 markah)

2. [a] Discuss the characteristics of Order: Gymnophiona.
[Bincangkan ciri Order: Gymnophiona.]

(10 marks / 10 markah)

- [b] Analyse the early amphibian like tetrapod transition in the context of early anatomical pre-adaptations and the environmental conditions under which the transition occurred.
[Berikan analisis transisi ikan-amfibia dalam konteks pra-adaptasi anatomi awal dan keadaan persekitaran di mana transisi berlangsung.]

(15 marks / 15 markah)

3. [a] Differentiate the proteroglyphous and solenoglyphous fangs and their types of venom in snakes.
[Bezakan taring "proteroglyphous" dan taring "solenoglyphous" serta jenis bisanya pada ular.]

(15 marks / 15 markah)

- [b] Explain four basic bird wing shapes and the function of each shape.
[Terangkan empat bentuk asas sayap burung dan fungsi setiap bentuk sayap.]

(10 marks / 10 markah)

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4. [a] Elaborate the role of the swim bladder in fish.
[Huraikan peranan pundi renang pada ikan.]

(10 marks / 10 markah)

- [b] Differentiate the mechanisms of coloration in fishes and their contributions to survival and reproductive success in aquatic environments.
[Bezakan mekanisme pewarnaan pada ikan dan sumbangannya kepada kemandirian dan kejayaan pembiakan dalam persekitaran akuatik.]

(15 marks / 15 markah)

5. [a] Discuss the ways of giving birth in monotreme and marsupial animals and give examples of animals for each group.
[Bincangkan kaedah melahirkan anak bagi haiwan monotrem dan marsupial serta berikan contoh haiwan bagi setiap kumpulan.]

(10 marks / 10 markah)

- [b] Differentiate the various types of mammalian teeth and their respective functions. Give examples of mammalian species that showcase specialized dental adaptations emphasizing their dietary habits.
[Bezakan pelbagai jenis gigi mamalia dan fungsi masing-masing. Berikan contoh spesies mamalia yang memperlihatkan penyesuaian pergigian yang khusus dengan menekankan tabiat pemakanan.]

(15 marks / 15 markah)

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