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Eduqas GCSE PE Paper

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This paper contains:

- Questions in the format of the Eduqas GCSE PE Paper 2025
- Multiple-choice questions
- Short-answer questions
- Extended writing

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This paper has been constructed specifically for use as a mock exam but can be used less formally as a practice paper or model paper. The content and skills of the paper will be developed within the revision sessions offered by James Simms on **Tuesday 6th of May 2025 at 15:30** (joint WJEC and Eduqas session, available to all subscribing schools live and on demand; a shorter version for non-subscribers will be available on YouTube after the live session).

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| Subject | Physical Education |
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| Course | Eduqas GCSE PE 9-1 |
| Time allowed | 2 hours 0 minutes |

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| Guidance | This paper is marked out of 120 marks. You have 120 minutes (plus additional time for those who have Exam Access Arrangements). Answer all your questions. A calculator is permitted for this exam. If the timer reaches zero prior to you submitting your paper, the software will automatically submit your responses. Good luck. |
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| Total marks | 120 | | |
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1. Analyse the image to determine **two** functions of the skeleton that are being used **and** how each function is beneficial to a rugby player's performance within the scrum.



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2. Fast-twitch muscle fibre types are required in a rugby scrum. Identify **two** characteristics of fast-twitch muscle fibres.

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3. Describe the function of ligaments.

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4. Complete the table, identifying the nutrients described.

| Nutrient | Description |
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| Α | Develops bone growth. |
| В | The main source of slow release energy. |

| A: | | | |
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| B: | | | |

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5. Explain the importance of protein for a rugby player's performance.

6. The image shows a rugby player taking a conversion. Identify which letter represents the correct placement on the open/closed continuum. Justify your answer.



| Letter: | | | |
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| Justification: | | | |
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7. The table shows fitness tests that were completed by a rugby player in comparison to the team's average. Analyse the results that were collected.

| Fitness test | Result | Rugby team average |
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| Multi-stage fitness test | 15.7 | 13.1 |
| Vertical jump test | 75cm | 68cm |
| Sit-and-reach test | 12cm | 23cm |
| 30m sprint test | 4.40 seconds | 4.20 seconds |



8. Explain why it is important to cool down after a rugby match.



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9. Identify the antagonistic muscle pair acting at the knee that allows the rugby player to flex at the knee when running with the ball.



| Agonist: | | | | | | |
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| Antagonist: | | | | | | _ |

10. BMX is a male-dominated sport.

Discuss **two** barriers which could limit females from participating in BMX riding.



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11. Identify a strategy that could increase female participation in BMX riding.

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12. Explain the importance of visual guidance for cognitive-stage learners attempting to perform a new BMX trick.



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13. Explain how knowledge of performance would help a young girl who is learning a new BMX trick.

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14. A sedentary lifestyle is a lifestyle lacking in physical activity. State **two** risks to physical health of not exercising.

| Risk 1: | | | | |
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| Risk 2: | | | | |

15. Explain the positive **and** negative effects of technological developments for an improving BMX rider.

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16. BMX experiences significant media coverage during the Olympics. Evaluate the effect of media coverage on minority sports such as BMX.

Marks: [6]

17. David Jack Wilson, a Welsh para badminton player, is currently in the Team GB squad training for the LA Paralympics. At the beginning of his training, he completes a range of different fitness tests.

For the following tests, identify the components of fitness **and** describe the protocols.



Stork test component of fitness: ______Stork test protocol: ______

Marks: [6]

18. When the Welsh national badminton squad train together, they focus on plyometrics.

Using examples of upper- and lower-body exercises, describe plyometrics.

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19. As a promising para badminton player, David Jack Wilson would like to improve his speed and agility. Using sporting examples, explain why **both** components of fitness are important to a badminton player.

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20. Analyse **two** muscular contractions that occur during a badminton match and their impact on performance.



21. Identify the **two** different lever systems occurring at the shoulder **and** ankle as the badminton player hits the shuttle.

| Shoulder: | | | | | |
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| Ankle: | | | | | |

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22. State **three** short-term effects of exercise on the cardiovascular system.

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| 3: _ | |

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23. David Jack Wilson has been completing a programme of training to improve his endurance in long badminton matches, which has led to a lower resting heart rate and faster recovery.

Explain how these long-term training effects will benefit his performance.

| Lower resting heart rate: _ | | | |
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| Quicker recovery: | | | |
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| Quicker recovery: | | | |

24. Explain the importance of flexibility **and** cardiovascular endurance for a junior netball team.



| Flexibility: | | |
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| Cardiovascular endurance: | | |
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25. The centre in a junior netball team would like to improve her cardiovascular endurance.

State one appropriate target that she might use **and** give three reasons why target setting is important.

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26. Identify one principle of overload.

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27. Describe how a young netballer can use these **three** principles of training to improve performance:

Specificity

Progression

Variance

| Specificity: | | | | |
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| Progression: | | | | |
| Variance: | | | | |

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28. Discuss whether fitness testing is an appropriate method of assessing a junior netball team's sporting ability.

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29. Identify **four** ways a junior netballer can be motivated to improve their performance.



30. Explain what happens to a junior netballer in the decision-making stage of the basic information processing model.



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31. Discuss the functions of the cardiorespiratory and vascular systems that could influence a boxer's performance in the ring.



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32. Identify the two labels of the heart.



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33. Explain why a boxer may only breathe twice during a 15-second exchange of punches with the opposition.



| 34. Boxers need to train efficiently in order to "peak" at the right time. |
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| Identify the correct intensities for each of the following training zones: |
| Aerobic |
| Anaerobic |
| Weight loss |
| Aerobic:Anaerobic:Weight loss: |

Marks: [3]

35. In addition to intensity, what **other** factor determines the main energy system used during a boxing competition?

Marks: [1]

36. Using examples from boxing, explain the difference between gamesmanship and deviance.

Marks: [2]

37. Outline **two** negative impacts of commercialisation on boxing.

38. Outline **two** positive impacts of commercialisation for boxers.

Marks: [2]

39. Identify **one** example of sponsorship in boxing.

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