Combined Science - Biology - KS4 Homeostasis and Response

Contraception



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Answer

FSH and LH



Match the contraceptive method to how it works

<u>Contraception</u> <u>Method</u>

Condom Prevents the release of an egg

Oral contraceptive Provides a barrier stopping the sperm reaching the egg

Intrauterine device Kills the sperm

Spermicidal agent Prevents the embryo implanting



Match the contraceptive method to how it works

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Example question

Method	Effectiveness (%)	Other information
Contraceptive	99.8	Must be taken every day, free from GPs, side effects include headaches and increased blood pressure.
Condom	99.0	May tear, offer protection from STIs, inexpensive to buy.
Sterilisation	100.0	Permanent, requires an operation.

Evaluate the use of these contraceptive methods. [6]



Mark scheme

- Effectiveness of the condom is lower than sterilisation and the contraceptive pill;
- Sterilisation is 0.2% more effective than the contraceptive pill;
- All are highly effective;
- Condoms are easily acquired;
- Condoms offer protection from STIs;
- Condoms carry no side effects e.g. headaches;
- Side effects will not affect everyone that takes the contraceptive pill;
- May forget to take the contraceptive pill;
- Sterilisation cannot be reversed;
- There are risks associated with surgery e.g. infection;
- Contraceptive pill is free from the NHS.



Exam style question

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Contraceptive	99.8	Must be taken every day, free from GPs, side effects include headaches and increased blood pressure.
Condom	99.0	May tear, offer protection from STIs, inexpensive to buy.
Spermicide gel	75.0	Allergic reactions to gel can occur, easy to administer, inexpensive to buy.

Evaluate the use of these contraceptive methods. [6]



Mark scheme

- Effectiveness of the spermicide gel is lower than using a condom or taking the contraceptive pill;
- Condoms are 0.8% less effective than the contraceptive pill;
- Condoms and spermicide gel are easily acquired;
- Condoms offer protection from STIs;
- Condoms carry no side effects e.g. headaches;
- Some people are allergic to spermicide gel and condoms;
- Side effects will not affect everyone that takes the contraceptive pill;
- May forget to take the contraceptive pill;
- Contraceptive pill is free from the NHS.

