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CHOCOLATE

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Chocolate does contain saturated fat but it is not the sort that raises cholesterol levels in the blood, being derived from plants. Many people think they are allergic to chocolate. In fact, clinical tests found that only one person out of 500 who thought he or she was allergic actually was.

Chocolate does not aggravate acne. Indeed, research from the University of Pennsylvania concludes that acne is not affected by diet. On the other hand, research indicates that dark chocolate, like red wine, contains substantial amounts of flavonoid phenolics which may lower the risk of heart disease. Moreover, one ounce of chocolate or cocoa contains 10% of the Recommended Daily Allowance of iron. Chocolate also contains Vitamins A1, B1, B2, C, D, and E as well as calcium, potassium and sodium. Cocoa is roughly 20% protein, 40% carbohydrate and 40% fat. Nutritional researcher Michael Levine is on record as saying, “Chemically speaking, chocolate really is the world’s perfect food”. This was known hundreds of years ago by 16th Century monks and nuns. Drinking chocolate was not classed as “food” for fasting members of the clergy, so they could happily consume chocolate all day.

Chocolate can, however be lethal for one member of your family. It contains theobromine, which stimulates the cardiac muscle and the central nervous system and can be fatal for dogs. Just two ounces of milk chocolate can be deadly for a 10lb puppy.

Write your answers in the space provided in your exam.

1. Are the following statements true or false? Say why. Take evidence from the text to support your answer. No marks are given for only true or false. (2 points)

1.1 Many people are allergic to chocolate.
1.2 A long time ago monks were not allowed to drink chocolate.

2. -Answer the following questions in full sentences using information from the text. (2 points)

2.1 Is chocolate good for human’s heart?

2.2 How does chocolate affect animals?

3. - Vocabulary: find synonyms in the text from the words below. (2 points)

3.1 increases
3.2 make worse
3.3 quantities
3.4 danger

4. - Write a composition of about 100 words on the following topic: (4 points)

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2. **-Answer the following questions in full sentences using information from the text.** (2 points)

2.1 Is chocolate good for human’s heart?
Yes it is. In fact it may lower the risk of heart disease as it contains substantial amounts of flavonoid phenolics.

2.2 How does chocolate affect animals?
Chocolate is not good for animals, especially for puppies. They can die just with two ounces of milk chocolate.

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Clear and well organised ideas: 2 points

Grammar correctness: 1 point

Ambitious use of vocabulary: 1 point