

<u>HIV</u>

Answer	Marks
1. a) i) Decreases the level T Helper Cells/CD4+	1 mark
ii) HIV is the virus, AIDS is the condition that develops as a result of the Virus.	1 mark
iii) the immune system is so weak that it cannot fight off other infections e.g. pneumonia which can be fatal	1 mark
 b) i) - Once inside body cells, reverse transcriptase is used to make a complementary strand of DNA from the RNA template - Host DNA polymerase used to make complimentary double strand. - double-stranded DNA is then inserted into the human DNA - The DNA remains latent in white blood cells - DNA codes for viral proteins that make new Viruses. - These eventually burst out of the cell - invade and destroy other white blood cells ii) - period between initial invasion and replication of the virus - when the virus is dormant 	6 marks 2 marks

 iii) HIV virus replicates within CD4, white blood cells -HIV drugs cannot destroy the virus when it is inside body cells/ get to viral DNA in human genome -HIV virus changes rapidly, difficult to create a treatment that will work 	3 marks
 c) i) antigen/antibody/foreign protein ii) - Patient sample taken placed inside the wells of the microtiter plate A sample containing the antibody is added enzyme-linked to antibody. Antibody complimentary to HIV antigen and binds to it if present. colourless substrate for the enzyme is then added a colour would develop to indicate the presence of HIV antigen. 	1 mark 6 marks