Review of ‘AQA Biology Synoptic Essays’ For the new Exam Starting 2016 by Dr Al Waters

Writing **Biology A-level essays** is not similar to writing an English essay. Factors like having a dramatic opening or use of repetitive language for elaboration is not important. Writing an essay in Biology entails providing sufficient information and detail on the given topic while always remembering that the goal is to score the best mark you can rather than set the scientific world alight.

When writing **Biology A-level synoptic essays**, it’s important that A-level appropriate and specific vocabulary is used. Remember that the **AQA Biology A-level exam** tests both your level of knowledge and understanding of the given title but you must also show a breadth of knowledge of the subject. Articulating your understanding in a clear way that not just covers the scientific aspect of the subject, but also ‘selling yourself’ as an A\* candidate.

This book is packed with well articulated, concise and updated information regarding **Biology A-level essay writing**. It consists of evaluated essay titles for the past 20 years and 25 A\* essays that have been written from these in light of the new specification. If read and understood it has the potential of earning the desired top mark. The book also consists of key tips and insight on how you can organize your essay. The book is split into five areas to reflect the topic groups of previous essay titles. These are based on the **AQA Biology A-level exam** and are;

* Biochemistry and cells
* Membranes and transport
* Ecology
* Enzymes
* Genetics and DNA.

The book starts with an insight on how to approach **A-level Biology essays** and how you can effectively prepare for the exams. As well as being a teacher of over 20 years’ experience the author has also worked as a marker. He claims to have ordered his schools A\* papers from AQA and then collated the essays. Where there were gaps he gave his best students essay titles then enlisted their service of writing model essays. This was then collaborated and corrected by a colleague who marks for AQA that they were of the A\* standard. This collection of **Biology A level essays** has been used for several years with remarkable and outstanding results within his school and have now been published.

The essays therefore have been updated with new and relevant content for the new specification giving those seeking to write **Biology A-level synoptic essays** an easy time finding valuable and updated information. Remember that an essay is worth 25 marks out of maybe 78. In candidates overall **AQA Biology A-level exam** score it is often the part that shows the most variation. However as well as information for the essay, reading the sample essays will also help with covering synoptic information from year 1 studies.

It’s important that one gets quality understanding of what it takes to get that high mark for **Biology A-level essays**. Going through the 25 A\* essays will give you the required insight and knowledge that you need to score the high marks in your **AQA Biology A-level exam**. The book has also shared how an essay is marked which gives the learner great insight on how to approach the topics and discuss them. Remember the goal is to get the highest number of marks from the **Biology A-level essays**. Knowing the kind of writing style that can warrant you the required marks is also important and all that is shared in this book.

If you’re to write **Biology A-level synoptic essays** and feel that your teacher has not given you sufficient information on how to plan your writing or even lack sufficient insight on diverse topics then this preparation guide which is written by a person well versed with **Biology essays A-level** exams is worth investing in.