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INSTRUCTIONS: Answer ALL questions.

Answers must be approximately 500-800 words EACH

QUESTION 1

Critically discuss the validity of the characteristics commonly used to define mammals. Discuss which characteristics are more appropriate and present an argument of why?

[20]

OUESTION 2

Discuss the importance and prevalence of insectivory in mammals with special reference to the adaptations required for this feeding strategy. [30]

QUESTION 3

Discuss the origin, diversification and biogeographical distribution of the Artiodactyla (common names for species will suffice). Describe their evolutionary adaptations for life on grassland and how they became the dominant medium to large herbivores on land.

[40]

QUESTION 4

Discuss the adaptations for flight (including gliding) in mammals. [10]

TOTAL MARKS (100)