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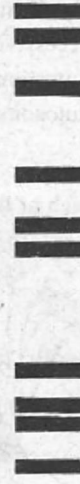
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A-1

ONLY ONE OUT OF FOUR OPTIONS IS CORRECT

1. A veterinarian wanted to determine the pedigree of a puppy born at his hospital. Four male adult dogs had to be considered as possible fathers of the puppy. Following is the result of partial DNA fingerprinting. Which male is most likely to be the father of the puppy?

MOTHER	PUPPY	POSSIBLE FATHERS			
Lily	Sweety	Jim	Jam	Jack	Jill
					

(A) Jim

(B) Jam

(C) Jack

(D) Jill

Ans. (B)

2. Eastern and Western Meadow Larks look almost the same and inhabit the same areas of Prairie. They recognize mates of their own species by distinctive courtship songs. This is an example of _____ type of pre-zygotic isolation.

(A) ecological

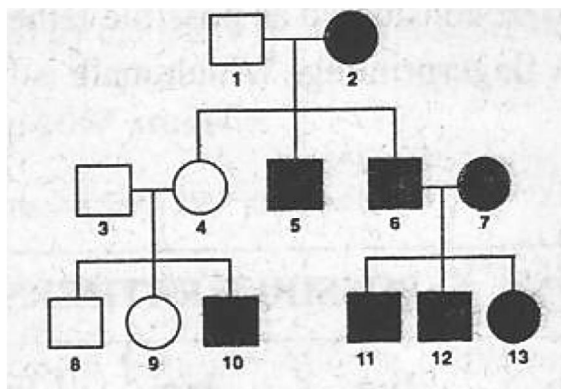
(B) genetic

(C) mechanical

(D) behavioural

Ans. (D)

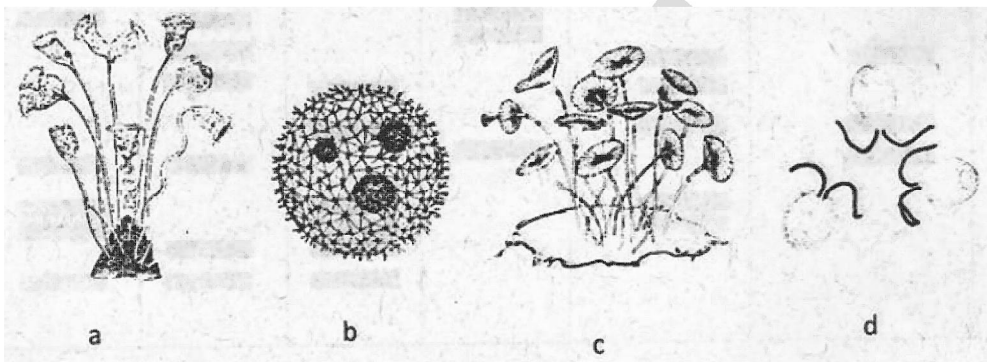
3. Study the pedigree chart of a family showing the inheritance of a disorder and trace the trait.



- (A) Dominant X-linked (B) Recessive X-linked (C) Autosomal dominant (D) Autosomal recessive

Ans. (B)

4. Which of the following is a large single-celled organism?



- (A) Yorticetla (B) Volvox (C) Acetabularia (D) Chlamydomonas

Ans. (C)

5. Find out the incorrect statement about action of hormones:

- (A) Steroid hormones are lipid soluble and pass across the cell membrane easily.
 (B) Synthesis of secondary messengers in the cell is activated by the binding of peptide hormones.
 (C) Receptor-steroid hormone complex binds to DNA causing transcription of genes.
 (D) Production of cAMP in the cell is activated by binding of steroid hormone to receptor.

Ans. (D)

6. Which of the following processes requires energy?

- (A) Movement of calcium into a cell. (B) Secretion of mucus by a cell.
 (C) Entry of oxygen into a cell. (D) Water absorption by a cell.

Ans. (B)

7. The passage of minerals, absorbed at the surface of root hair, to xylem of the root as per the mass flow hypothesis would be guided by the cells of:

- (A) root hair (B) cortex (C) endodermis (D) pericycle

Ans. (C)

8. An easy way to ensure elimination of a toxin from the body is to add :

- (A) amine group so as to make it alkaline. (B) aromatic ring to enhance precipitation.
 (C) hydrocarbon chain to make it non-polar. (D) hydroxyl group to enhance solubility.

Ans. (D)

9. Deep sea sponges have silicate spicules because:
(A) precipitation of calcium carbonate is hindered by the depth.
(B) at greater depth sequestration of silica is easier.
(C) only silicious spicules make circulation of water through body efficient.
(D) availability of calcium is relatively less at depth.

Ans. (B)

10. Which of the following cytoskeletal structures have maximum diversity of the component proteins?
(A) Microtubules (B) Micro filaments (C) Intermediate filaments (D) Microfiteils

Ans. (C)

11. Though triploblastic, platyhelminths are classified as acoeiomate because :
(A) the mesoderm is acellular.
(B) their body is flat.
(C) the alimentary canal is incomplete.
(D) the mesoderm is not distinguished into somatic and splanchnic layers.

Ans. (D)

12. Though both starch and cellulose are composed of repeating glucose units, the main difference between them is that:
(A) they are bonded by 1-6 and 1-4 glycosidic linkages respectively.
(B) they differ in the α and β configuration.
(C) most of the fruits and grains are rich in starch and poor in cellulose or fiber.
(D) starch is made of simple sugars while cellulose is made of aminb sugars.

Ans. (B)

13. The photosynthetic pigment that provides effective photoprotection is :
(A) chlorophyll b (B) chlorophyll (C) phycobitins (D) carotenoids

Ans. (D)

14. The allosteric enzyme that is most sensitive to activators as well as inhibitors and thus responsible for regulating cellular respiration is:
(A) hexokinase (B) phosphofructokinase (C) aldotase (D) phosphoglycerokinase

Ans. (B)

15. A biologist was given two animal cell populations, X and Y. When he subjected them to culturing under similar conditions of availability of nutrients, growth factors and substratum he found the growth of sample X stopped after the available substratum was covered while the growth of sample Y continued so that multilayered mass was formed. The cells in sample X and Y respectively, are most likely to be:
(A) epithelial cells and leucocytes (B) germinal cells and muscle cells
(C) normal cells and cancer cells (D) diploid cells and polyploid cells

Ans. (C)

16. If a quantitative charachter is influeneced by an additive effect of four genes, how many phenotypic categories are expected in the progeny of a tetrahybrid cross?
(A) 5 (B) 7 (C) 9 (D) 11

Ans. (C)

17. Following is the sequence of nucleotides of a fragment of DNA molecule.

5'CCCATTG ... ACTAACCATA3'

3'CGCTAAC ... TGATTCCTAT5'

The most appropriate primer for replication of the above fragment shall be :

(a) 5'UAUG3' and 5'GCCA3'

(b) 5'TATG3' and 5'ACCG3'

(C) 5'GCCU3' and 5'TATG3'

(D) 5'UGGA3' and 5'GTAT3'

Ans. (A)

18. A pure tall pea plant (*Pisum sativum*) with axillary pods is crossed with dwarf pea plant with terminal pods. Out of 48 F_2 generation plants, how many will have phenotype like parents?

(A) 18

(B) 27

(C) 30

(D) 20

Ans. (C)

19. Which of the following statement is NOT true about waxes?

(A) They form waterproof coating on leaves.

(B) They have PUFA linked to glycerol.

(C) They protect the ear canal.

(D) They protect pine needles from acid rain.

Ans. (B)

20. If a gene needs to be introduced in a plant, the expression vector has to be:

(A) pBR322

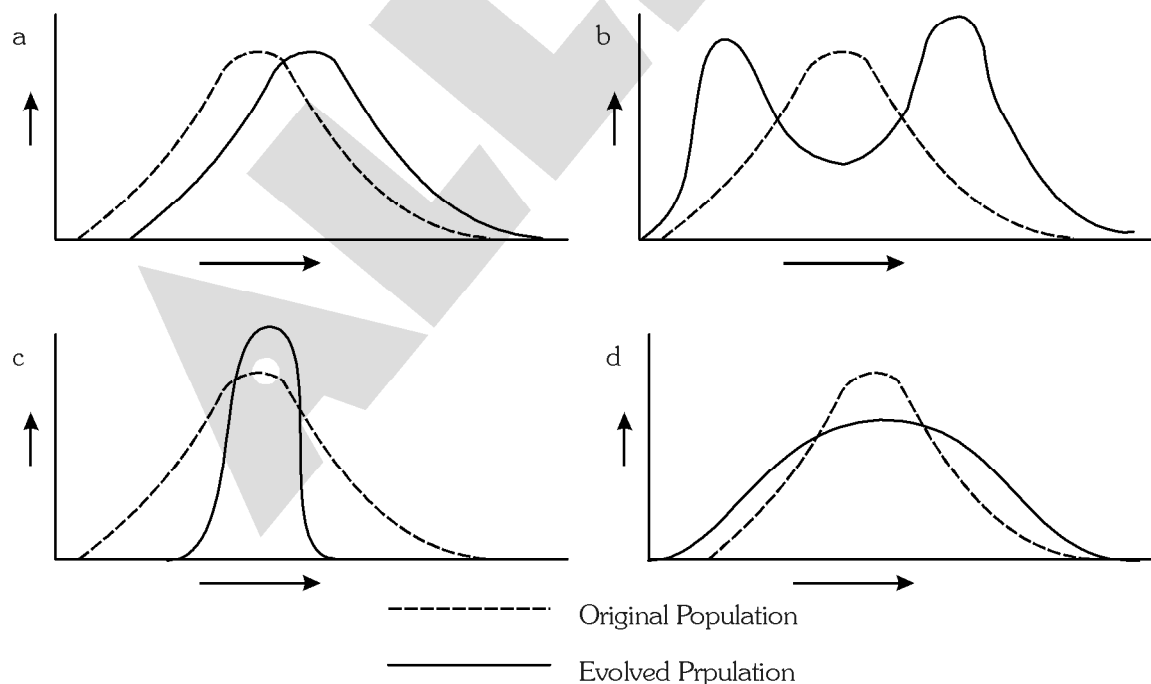
(B) Ti plasmid

(C) λ phage

(D) YAC

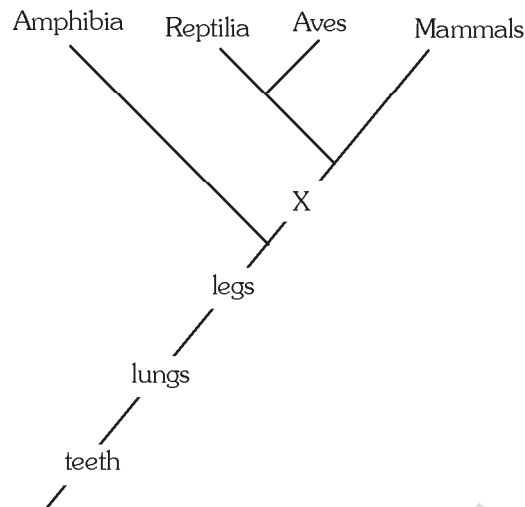
Ans. (B)

21. Which of the diagrams given below will best represent stabilising selection in a population with continuous variations? X axis represents phenotype with quantitative variation while Y axis represents frequency of individuals.



Ans. (C)

22. The X in the accompanying cladogram is :



- (A) amniotic egg (B) bipedal locomotion (C) diapsid skull (D) four chambered heart

Ans. (A)

23. If a dihybrid test cross produces offsprings in 1 : 1 ratio, then it can be concluded that

- (A) the two genes are present on the same chromosome and very close to each other.
 (B) the two genes are present on the same chromosome but apart from each other.
 (C) the two genes are present on two different chromosome
 (D) there is an independent assortment of genes.

Ans. (A)

24. In a polycarpellary and syncarpous pistil, ovary can be unilocular or multilocular, and placentation can be :

- (A) free - central or parietal. (B) parietal or marginal.
 (C) marginal or free central. (D) parietal or axile.

Ans. (D)

25. Three genes A, B and C are involved in determination of skin colour. If a couple with fair skin colour, produced a child with dark skin colour, then the genotype of the parents most probably can be :

- (A) Aabbcc x aaBbcc (B) AAbbcc x aabbcc (C) Aabbcc x aaBBcc (D) AaBbcc x aaBbcc

Ans. (D)

26. Which of the following is a mismatched pair?

- (A) Lady's finger - Capsule (B) Banana - Berry
 (C) Date - Drupe (D) Maize - Caryopsis.

Ans. (C)

27. A biochemist prepared a mixture of all reactants and enzymes he thought were needed for DNA replication. When DNA was added, replication occurred. The product, however, consisted of the parent DNA strand paired with several DNA segments, each segment, a few hundred nucleotides long. Which of the following could possibly be missing in the reaction mixture?

- (A) DNA polymerase. (B) RNA primers.
 (C) DNA ligase. (D) Single strand binding proteins.

Ans. (D)

28. The number of classes of phenotypes in the F_2 generation of a cross between dihybrids involving both the genes with incomplete dominance would be :

- (A) six (B) nine (C) sixteen (D) eight

Ans. (B)

29. Some R-plasmids carry genes for resistance to many antibiotics. This occurs naturally due to :
 (A) transposons (B) transduction (C) transformation (D) transgenesis

Ans. (C)

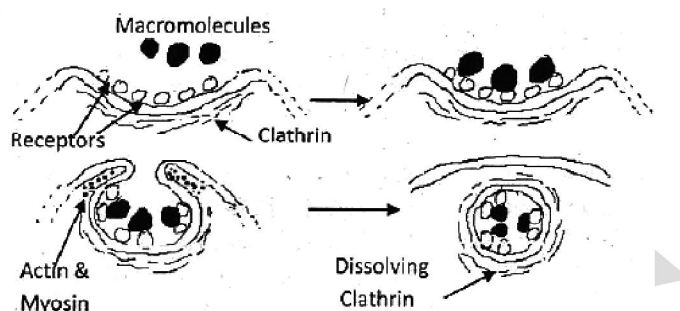
30. The extracellular fluid in human body contains large amounts of sodium, chloride, bicarbonate ions and other nutrients for the cells. Which of the following can be categorized as extracellular fluid?

- i. Lymph
- ii. Renal interstitial fluid
- iii. Axoplasm
- iv. Cerebrospinal fluid

- (A) i, ii, iii and iv (B) i, and iii only (C) i, ii and iv only (D) i and ii only

Ans. (C)

31. Which process of cell ingestion is shown in diagram below?



- (A) Exocytosis (B) Pinocytosis
 (C) Phagocytosis (D) Macrophage engulfing an infectious agent

Ans. (C)

32. The sugar glider and flying squirrel belong to two different groups of mammals, but they have both evolved bushy tails and flaps of skin that help them exploit their forest environments more efficiently. This pattern of evolution is an example of :

- (A) character displacement (B) adaptive radiation
 (C) convergent evolution (D) divergent evolution

Ans. (C)

33. A woman heterozygous for colorblindness marries a colour blind man. What will be the chances of the birth of a colorblind daughter?

- (A) 0.5 (B) 0.25 (C) 0.0625 (D) 1

Ans. (A)

34. Tyloses are outgrowths of parenchyma cells growing into the adjoining xylem vessels clogging them progressively so that the sap wood gets transformed into heart wood. The most common reason for their formation is :

- (A) drought or lack of sap flowing through xylem
 (B) accumulation of excessive storage material in cells of rays
 (C) synthesis of alkaloid that modulate growth of parenchymal cells
 (D) deprivation of nutrition to cells of rays.

Ans. (A)

35. One effective way of ascertaining population size of an animals species in wild is to capture a certain number, mark them and release in the habitat. After a duration, catch another batch of animals and find out how many among them are marked. From the ratio of marked to unmarked individuals, total number of animals can be computed. In a workout, 10 marked individuals were released in wild and after a week, a batch of 12 was captured among which 2 were found to be marked. The size of the population would be

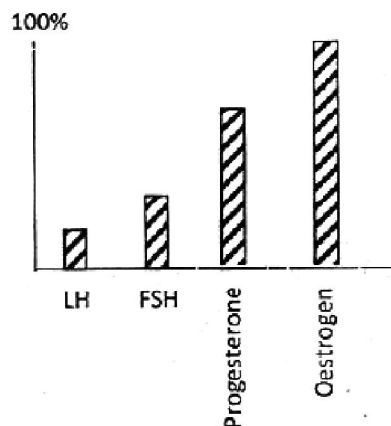
- (A) 40 (B) 60 (C) 80 (D) 100

Ans. (B)

36. Which of following characters are found in prokaryotes?
 (i) presence of DNA (ii) presence of flagella (iii) presence of cytoskeleton (iv) presence of cell wall (v) presence of pili.
 (A) i, ii, iii, iv and v (B) only i, iii and v (C) only ii, iii and iv (D) only i, ii, iv and v

Ans. (A)

37. The diagram below shows the concentration of hormones in circulating blood as percentage of their maximum possible concentration. Which phase of ovarian cycle of a mammal does it represent?



- (A) Menstruation
 (B) Follicular phase
 (C) Ovulation phase
 (D) Secretory phase

Ans. (D)

38. A farmer sprayed a commercial plant growth promoter and found that his cabbage plant grew into a herb with long internodes. What must be the growth promoter?

- (A) Auxin (B) Cytokinin (C) Gibberellic acid (D) Absciscic acid

Ans. (C)

39. Select the appropriate combination of responses caused by the parasympathetic activation in man.

- (i) Accentuated secretion of digestive enzymes (ii) Slowing of heart beats
 (iii) Increased sweating (iv) Dilation of pupil
 (v) Constriction of tracheoles
 (A) i, iii, iv and v (B) i, ii and v (C) ii, iii and iv (D) iii, iv and v

Ans. (B)

40. If a tissue is consuming 50 molecules of O_2 and releasing 70 molecules of CO_2 , then the substrate being utilized in cellular respiration is :

- (A) glucose (B) fatty acid (C) amino acid (D) organic acid

Ans. (D)

41. Sclerides are the sclerenchyma cells with very thick secondary wall deposits and provide mechanical support. In which of the following plant organs one would expect to find abundant sclerides?

- (A) Underground tuberous roots (B) Leaves of floating hydrophyte
 (C) Flower petals of mesophytes (D) Petioles of xerophytic plant

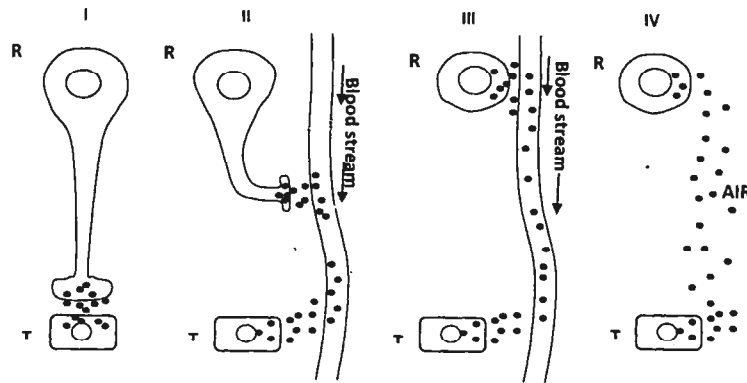
Ans. (B)

42. Which of the following animals has blood as circulating medium?

- (A) Cockroach (B) Mussel (C) Leech (D) Planaria

Ans. (C)

43. Four types of chemical messengers (Black Dots) released from the regulator cell (R) to the target cell (T) are depicted in I, II, III and IV.



Match, I, II, III and IV sequentially with i) Steroid Hormone, ii) Pheromones, iii) Neurohormone, iv) Neurotransmitter and choose the correct option.

- (A) iv, iii, ii, i (B) iv, iii, i, ii (C) i, ii, iii, iv (D) iii, iv, i, ii

Ans. (B)

44. Which of the following assist in the locomotion of earthworm?

- (i) Muscles in the body wall (ii) Coelomic fluid
(iii) Septa (iv) Setae

- (A) i, ii, iii and iv (B) Only i, ii and iv (C) Only ii, iii and iv (D) Only i and iv

Ans. (A)

45. The carbon atom (C) is one of the most important atoms in biological molecules. Several properties of this atom make it suitable for life on earth. Which of the following statements are true?

- (i) Carbon-carbon bond energy is higher than the energy of visible spectrum of light.
(ii) Carbon-nitrogen bonds can be broken by UV light spontaneously.
(iii) Each hydrogen bond in water is stronger than the carbon-carbon covalent bond.
(iv) Carbon-hydrogen bond can be broken by infra red light spontaneously.

- (A) i & ii (B) i & iii (C) ii & iv (D) i, ii & iv

Ans. (A)

46. Despite the lack of pressure, blood moves towards the heart in veins due to the—

- (A) wider bore
(B) suction created due to pumping by heart
(C) narrow bores of efferent capillaries
(D) presence of valves preventing back flow

Ans. (D)

47. In principle, longest Henle's loop should be found in the nephrons of desert dwelling mammal feeding mainly on—

- (A) succulent cactus (B) fleshy fruits (C) leathery leaves (D) seeds

Ans. (D)

48. A littoral gastropod will have thickest shell when it is located at the—

- (A) high tide marks on a rock beach (B) greatest depth in a sand beach
(C) low tide marks on a mud beach (D) bottom of a rock pool

Ans. (A)

49. Correct arrangement of the following in increasing size is–

- (i) Width of biological membrane
- (ii) Diameter of *E.coli* DNA.
- (iii) Human ribosome
- (iv) Length of *E.coli* DNA
- (v) Diameter of human liver cell

(A) i, iii, ii, iv, v (B) ii, i, iii, v, iv (C) i, iii, v, ii, iv (D) ii, iii, i, iv, v

Ans. (B)

50. Mark the correct option that shows highest to lowest % resorption of substances from nephron–

- (A) Water > Sodium > Urea
- (B) Glucose > Water > Urea
- (C) Water > Urea > Glucose
- (D) Urea > Glucose > Sodium

Ans. (B)

51. Which of the following statements about human disorders caused by different organelles is true?

- (A) Peroxisomal disorders are due to mutations in nuclear genes.
- (B) Mitochondrial disorders are always due to mutations in maternally inherited mitochondrial genes.
- (C) Person can suffer from lysosomal storage diseases even if lysosomal hydrolases are synthesized in sufficient quantities.
- (D) Inefficient recycling of long chain fatty acids is likely to be a result of mitochondrial disorder.

Ans. (A)

52. Three types of mutations are listed below :

- (i) Chromosomal mutation
- (ii) Gene mutation
- (iii) Somatic mutation

Which of the following statements describe the correctly?

- (A) i & ii describe the same phenomenon.
- (B) iii will always result in abnormal cell growth leading to cancer.
- (C) Only gene mutation can alter the DNA sequence.
- (D) Gene duplication is a type of chromosomal mutation

Ans. (D)

53. Which of the following statements about plasmid is true?

- (A) Plasmids are genetically indispensable for host cells in the absence of a selection pressure.
- (B) Some plasmids have the ability to transfer themselves physically from one cell to another.
- (C) Plasmids are naked DNA molecules capable of survival outside a living cell.
- (D) Plasmids do not depend on host enzymatic machinery for their replication.

Ans. (B)

54. Filtration rate through kidneys is dependent on the filtration pressure. This in turn depends on the following three factors :

- I. Glomerular blood hydrostatic pressure
- II. Capsular hydrostatic pressure
- III. Blood colloid osmotic pressure

The net filtration pressure will be –

(A) I + II + III (B) I – (II + III) (C) (I + III) – II (D) II – (I + III)

Ans. (B)

55. Which one of the following is **incorrect** statement about 'Cell surface to volume ratio concept'?

- (A) Greater the cell volume, more will be the cytoplasmic content.
- (B) Greater the surface area, rapid will be the exchange of substances
- (C) Greater the cell volume, lesser will be the amount of wastes produced
- (D) As the cell increases in size, volume increases more rapidly than its surface area.

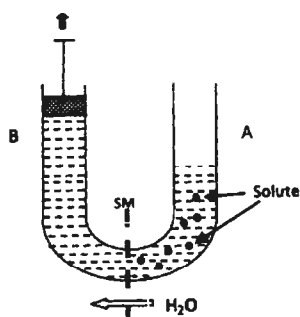
Ans. (C)

56. In a population of a species with 500 gene loci, half the loci are fixed. In the remaining, there are two alleles at each locus. How many alleles are there in the gene pool?

- (A) 500
- (B) 750
- (C) 250
- (D) 550

Ans. (B)

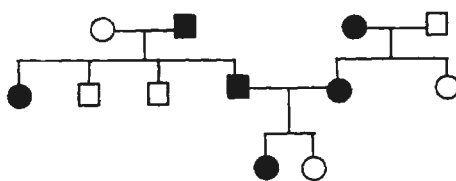
57. Observe the given diagram and select the possible reason for the movement of water through the Semipermeable membrane (SM) separating sides A and B—



- (A) Addition of solute reduces the water potential in side A hence water moves from A to B.
- (B) Withdrawal of piston in side B increases water potential hence water move from A to B.
- (C) Due to atmospheric pressure in side A, water potential becomes 0 and hence water moves from A to B.
- (D) Withdrawal of piston in side B decreases the water potential and hence water moves from A to B.

Ans. (D)

58. The following pedigree traces the trait called achondroplasia, a form of dwarfism. Which of the following hypothesis can be supported by given pedigree?



- (A) The trait is due to dominant allele.
- (B) The trait is due to recessive allele.
- (C) The trait is sex linked.
- (D) Given information is not sufficient to hypothesize the situation

Ans. (A)

59. For various cellular processes, following molecules need to be transported from the site of synthesis to the site of activity.

- (i) Nucleotides
- (ii) tRNA
- (iii) Histones
- (iv) Deoxyribose sugar

Which molecules from the above are transported from cytoplasm to nucleus?

- (A) i and ii (B) i and iii (C) ii and iv (D) i and iv

Ans. (B)

60. Some honey bee strains make a practice of removing the carcasses of dead larvae from their nests. This hygienic behaviour seems to be under the control of two recessive genes - uncapping the larval cells (U or u) and removing the carcass (R or r). Which of the following bees are non hygienic, but will remove dead pupae if cells are uncapped?

- (A) UuRr (B) uuRr (C) Uurr (D) uurr

Ans. (C)

61. Which of the following is the main criteria for distinguishing ectotherms from endotherms?

- (A) The source of heat used to maintain body temperature.
- (B) Body temperature being constant or variable.
- (C) Amount of heat used to maintain body temperature.
- (D) Amount of calories produced in body.

Ans. (B)

62. The extent of tilt in the earth's rotation has **no influence** on—

- (A) patterns of global climate (B) different seasons
(C) periods of glacial expansion/retreat (D) atmospheric concentrations of gases

Ans. (D)

63. Five leaf discs of a hydrophyte were submerged in 0.2% sodium bicarbonate solution (containing a small quantity of soap) and another five discs were submerged in plain water. Which of the following will happen?

- (A) Discs in bicarbonate solution rise while those in plain water remain submerged.
- (B) Discs in bicarbonate solution and in plain water, both remain submerged.
- (C) Discs in plain water rise earlier than those in bicarbonate solution.
- (D) Discs in bicarbonate solution and in plain water, both rise at the same time.

Ans. (A)

64. A test cross of F_1 flies $+a/+b$ produces the following number of offsprings :

$++/ab$	9
ab/ab	9
$+b/ab$	41
$a+/ab$	41

What will be the distance between two genes?

- (A) 82 cM (cis) (B) 18 cM (cis) (C) 18 cM(trans) (D) 20 cM (cis)

Ans. (C)

65. If blood of healthy human is tested after high protein meal, which of the following will **not** be observed?

- (A) Considerable increase in plasma glucose level (B) Raised insulin level
- (C) High plasma glucagon level (D) Increased amino acids level

Ans. (B)

66. If the osmotic pressure of a plant system is -45 atmospheres and its turgor pressure is 9 atmospheres, find out the water potential of this osmotic system.

- (A) -54 units (B) -36 units (C) 36 units (D) 54 units

Ans. (B)

67. Which of these statements are correct with reference to deep benthic communities in oceans?

- (i) They are adapted to continuous cold.
- (ii) They have accessory air-sacs to store oxygen.
- (iii) The producers in benthic zone are chemoautotrophs.
- (iv) Most of the organisms in benthic zone are anaerobes.
- (v) Most of the organisms in benthic zone form detritus food chain.

- (A) i, ii and iii only (B) i, iii and v only (C) i, ii, iii, iv and v (D) ii, iii and iv only

Ans. (D)

68. Following sequence of RNA, when translated will form a protein molecule of _____ amino acids.

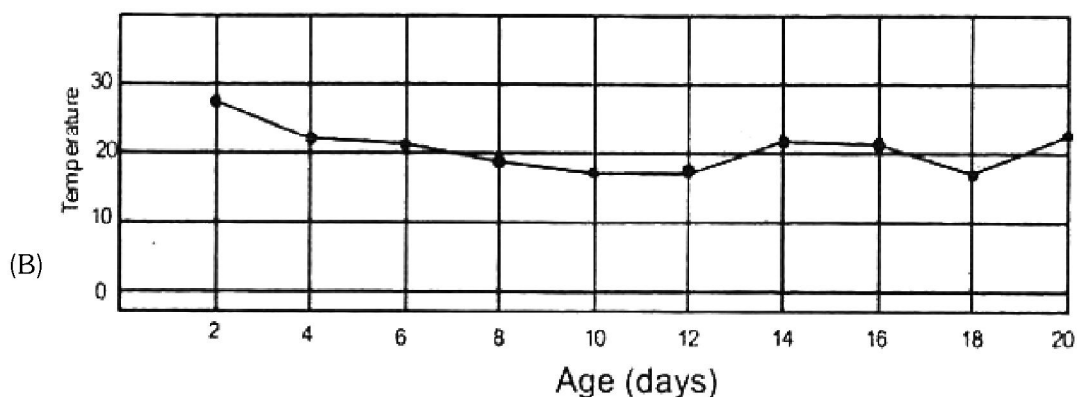
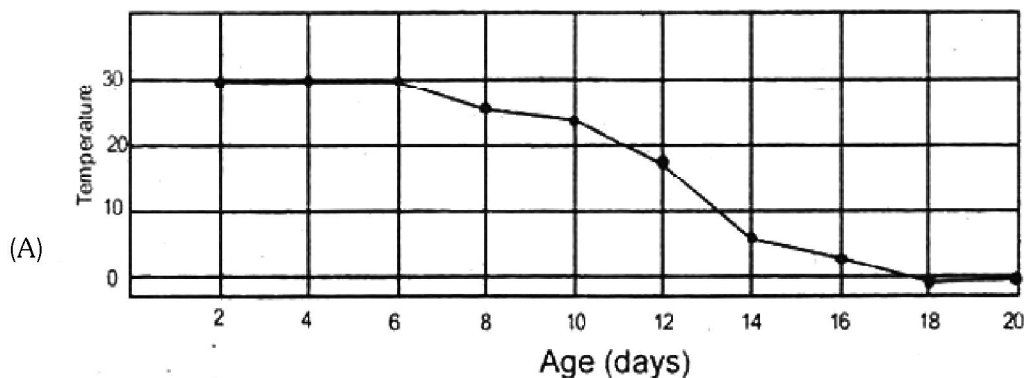
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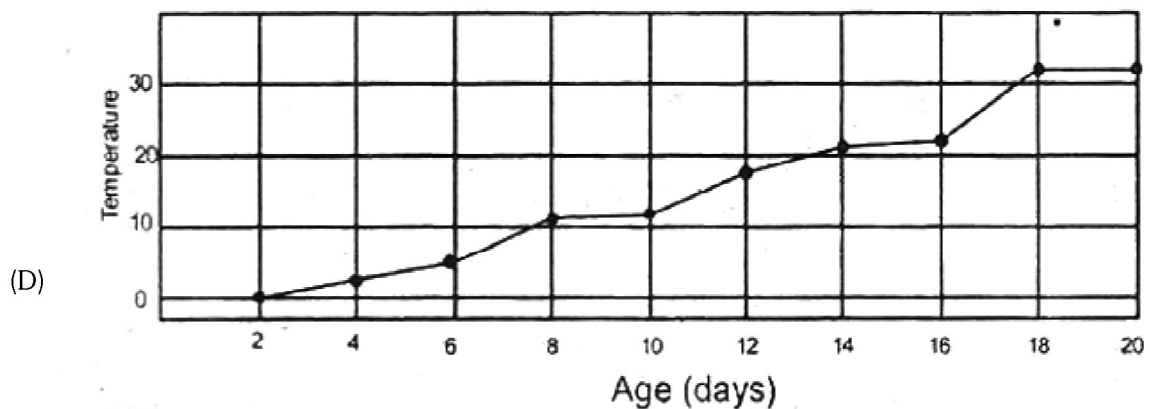
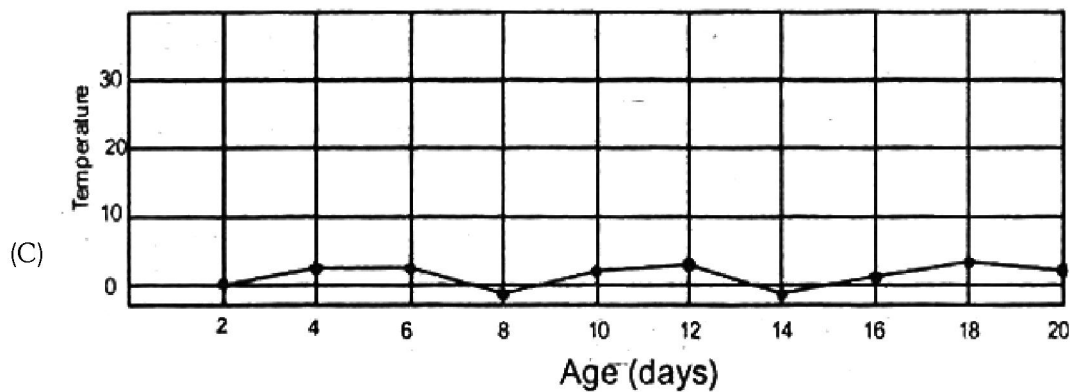
- (A) 3 (B) 7 (C) 6 (D) 9

Ans. (B)

69. A white footed mouse '*Peromyscus leucopus*', a common rodent of South America can maintain core body temperature near 37°C even if the air temperature is below 0°C . This capacity gradually increases from birth to adulthood. Which graph correctly depicts ability of isolated individual animals to thermoregulate during their development stages?

Note : Y axis depicts the temperature at which the animal can thermoregulate.



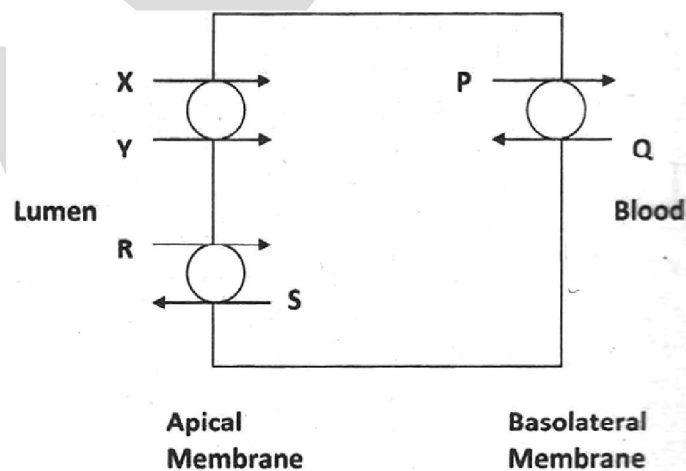


Ans. (A)

70. In the famous example showing change in the gene frequencies through Industrial melanism, the increase in the number of black peppered moth in soot covered area is due to—
- (A) pre-existing mutation (B) genetic drift
(C) genetic bottleneck effect (D) migration

Ans. (A)

71. A few transporters present in cell's proximal convoluted tubules of nephron are shown. Mark the option that correctly depicts the substances transported.



- (A) X : glucose, Y : H^+ (B) R : Na^+ , S : H^+ (C) P : Na^+ , Q : HCO_3^- (D) P : K^+ , Q : H_2O

Ans. (B)

72. In male sex organs, primary spermatocyte cells undergo meiotic division to form spermatids. Consider a hypothetical situation where non-disjunction of sex chromosomes occurs in all primary spermatocytes during sperm formation. In such case, what all types of sperms will be formed?
 (A) X, Y, O, XY (B) O, XY only (C) X, Y, XX, YY (D) O, XY, XX, YY

Ans. (D)

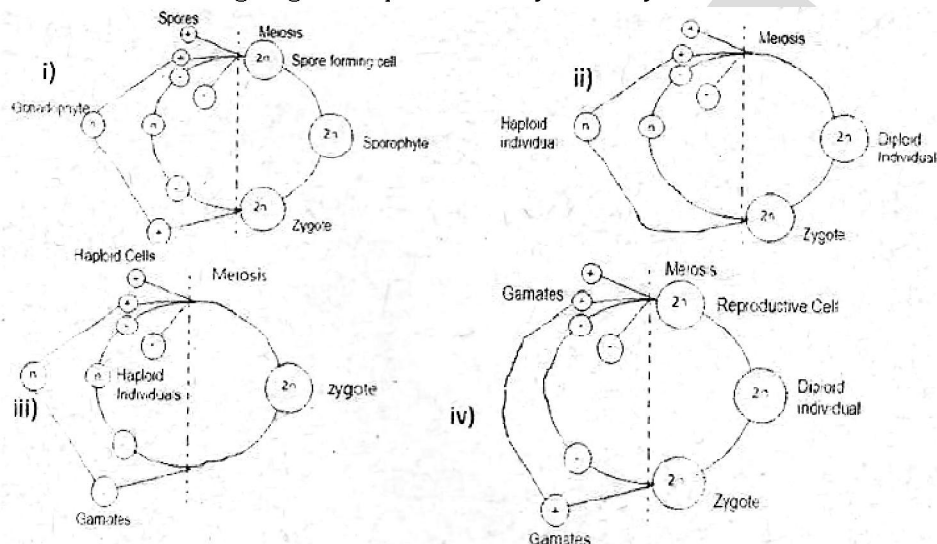
73. Esha found a small dead organism on sea shore. She brought it in lab and observed it carefully with magnifying lens. She could identify it as some kind of annelid. Which of the followign character(s) must have led her to this conclusion?

- (i) Segmented body.
- (ii) Absence of clitellum.
- (iii) Presence of parapodia.
- (iv) Absence of suckers at mouth region.
- (v) Bilateral symmetry.

- (A) ii and iv (B) i, iii and v (C) only iii (D) i, ii and iv

Ans. (B)

74. Which of the following diagrams represent eukaryotic life cycle ?



- (A) i and ii only (B) ii, iii and iv only (C) i, iii and iv only (D) i, ii, iii and iv

Ans. (D)

75. Consider four different striated muscles M1, M2, M3 and M4 of varying lengths L1, L2, L3 and L4. All these muscles have fibers running parallel to their longitudinal axis. Muscles M1, M2 and M4 have similar area of cross section while M3 has double than others. If $L2 = L3$, $2 \cdot L3 = L4$ and $L1 = \frac{3}{4} L2$, the maximum force produced by a muscle will be greater in :

- (A) M1 (B) M2 (C) M3 (D) M4

Ans. (C)

76. A student designs an experiment to check whether rats have UV vision.

Design I : Food is kept in a closed room with only UV light and rat is let in. The rat goes towards the food.

Design II : A wooden model of a predator is kept in a closed room with only UV light and rat is let in. The rat tries to run away.

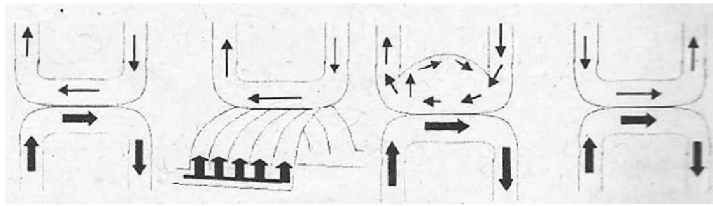
Design III : A female rat is kept in a closed room with only UV light and a male rat is let in. The male rat chases the female.

Which of the above experiments can conclusively give information about the rat's vision in UV spectrum ?

- (A) Design I only (B) Design II only (C) Design I and II only (D) Design I, II and III.

Ans. (B)

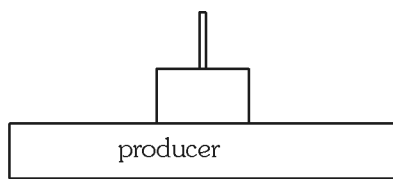
77. The gas transfer system found in Aves is represented in following figures :
(Bold arrows represent blood flow while thin arrows represent air flow through respiratory system.) The correct representation is in the figure :



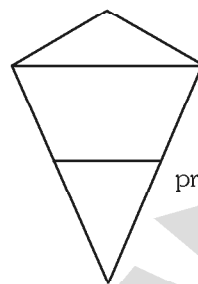
(A) (B) (C) (D)

Ans. (C)

78. Two ecological pyramids (I and II) are shown. Mark the correct statement that describes them.



I

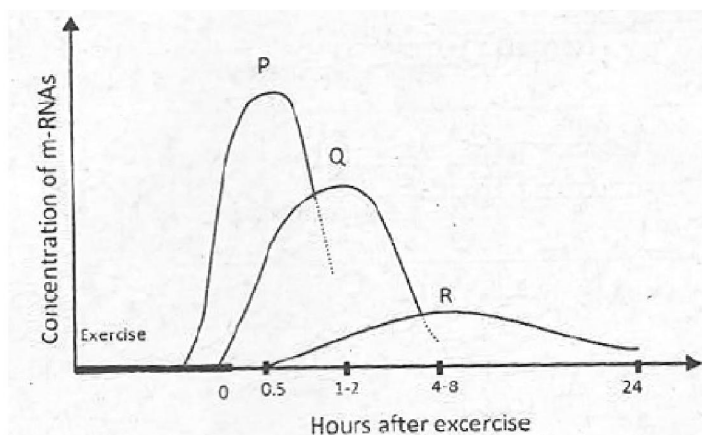


II

- (A) I is a biomass pyramid while II is a number pyramid.
(B) I is likely to represent rain forest while II represents desert ecosystem.
(C) I is biomass pyramid of a grassland and II is number pyramid of oceanic ecosystem
(D) I is an energy pyramid of rain forest and II is biomass pyramid of host and parasite.

Ans. (D)

79. In an experiment, a person was subjected to perform 90 minutes leg extension exercise once a day for five days. Every day only the left leg was exercised while other was kept at rest. On the fifth day, concentrations of different mRNAs were measured from muscles of both legs, towards the end of the exercise session. Three major types of mRNAs, P, Q and R were found to show distinct variations in levels :



The following are the possible genes from which these mRNAs are synthesised ;

I : Gene responsible to initiate cell division

II : Stress response gene

III : Mitochondrial protein synthesis gene

IV : Metabolic priority gene

(A) II, IV and III

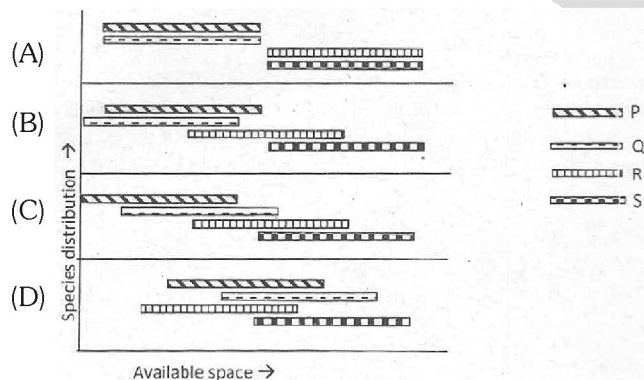
(B) I, II, and IV

(C) II, IV and I

(D) IV, II and I

Ans. (A)

80. In the following diagram distribution of 4 species of plants (P, Q, R and S) along length of a geographical unit has been depicted. Which among them would best represent vegetation across a cliff ?



Ans. (C)