

1. (1.00 pts)



In a population of lar gibbons, dark hair (H) is fully dominant to light hair (h). Does the physical presence of dark hair in a gibbon offspring refer to their genotype or to their phenotype

- ☐ A) Genotype
- ☐ B) Phenotype

2. (1.00 pts)

In a population of lar gibbons, dark hair (H) is fully dominant to light hair (h). If two light-haired gibbons mated, what is the normal probability that their offspring will have dark hair, barring chance mutation?

- ☐ A) 100%
- ☐ B) 75%
- ☐ C) 66.67%
- ☐ D) 50%
- ☐ E) 25%
- ☐ F) 0%

3. (1.00 pts)

In a population of lar gibbons, dark hair (H) is fully dominant to light hair (h). If two heterozygous dominant lar gibbons produced offspring, what percentage of the offspring would likely have light hair?

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- ☐ B) 75%
- ☐ C) 66.67%
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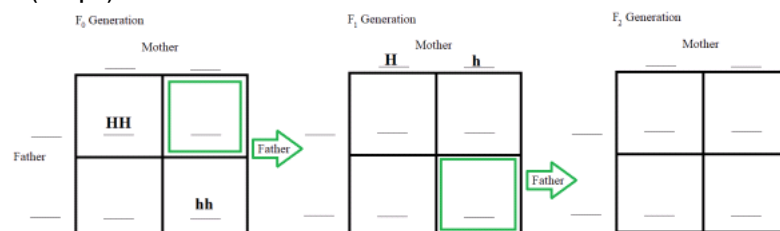
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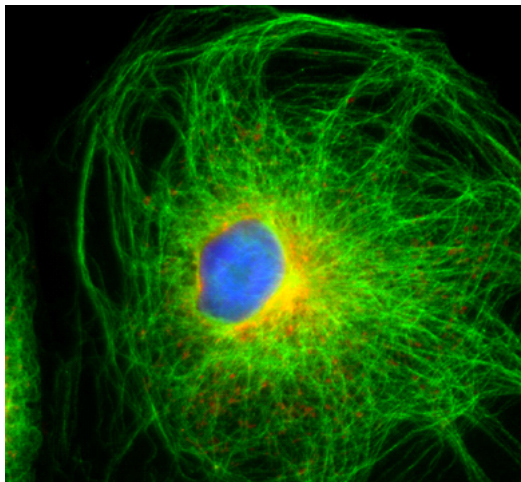
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5. (2.00 pts)

In a population of lar gibbons, dark hair (H) is fully dominant to light hair (h). If two heterozygous dominant lar gibbons produced 250 offspring, what genotype would likely have the highest incidence of occurrence?

6. (5.00 pts)

In a population of lar gibbons, dark hair (H) is fully dominant to light hair (h). If all of the offspring in the F₂ generation have dark hair, what is the likely genotype of the mother in the F₂ generation?

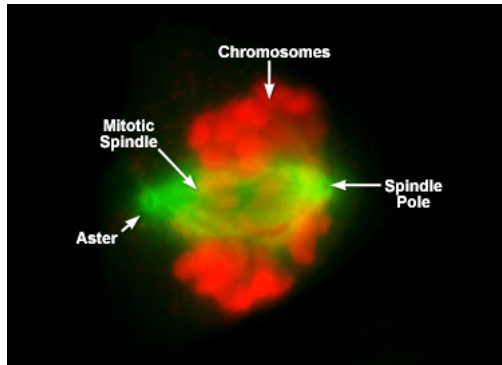
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What stage of cell division is depicted in the above image?

(Mark **ALL** correct answers)

- ☐ A) Interphase
- ☐ B) Prophase
- ☐ C) Metaphase
- ☐ D) Anaphase
- ☐ E) Telophase
- ☐ F) Cytokinesis

8. (1.00 pts)



In the image above, what stage of cell division is depicted?

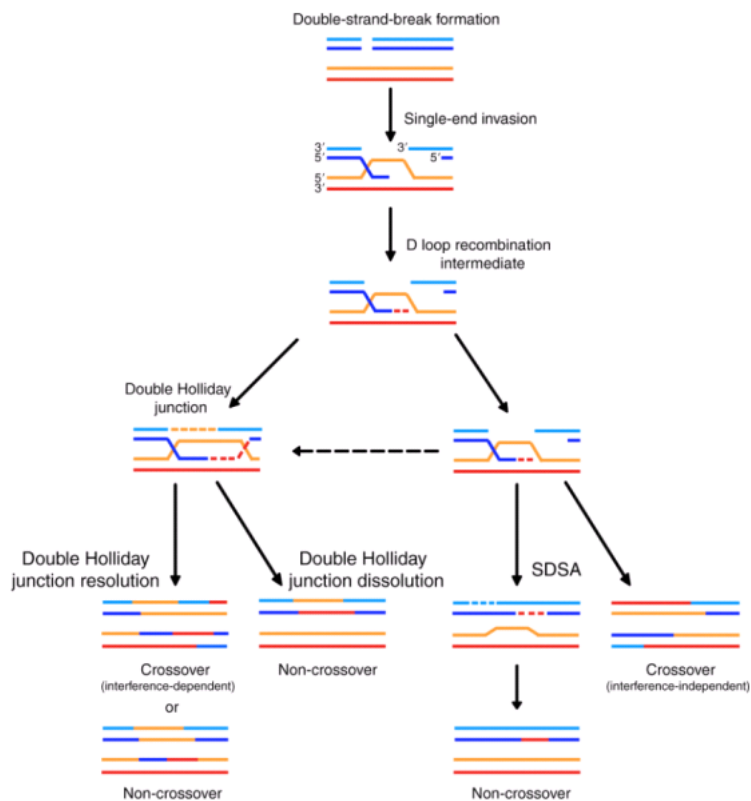
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9. (2.00 pts)

During what phase(s) of meiosis is crossover most likely to occur? Please use numbers instead of Roman numerals in your answer (e.g. telophase 2 instead of telophase II)

10. (4.00 pts)



The above graphic illustrates several possible outcomes after both strands of DNA are broken during a crossover. After the breakage, one strand of DNA may attempt to repair itself by forming a D-loop and using the homologous chromosome as a template. If this strand successfully replicates the damaged region, it will dissociate from the homologous chromosome and anneal back to its original strand. This process is known as synthesis-dependent strand annealing (SDSA).

What is likely to occur in the Double Holliday junction pathway?

11. (1.00 pts) During which phase of a cell's lifecycle is DNA synthesized?

(Mark **ALL** correct answers)

- ☐ A) G_0
- ☐ B) G_1
- ☐ C) G_2
- ☐ D) S
- ☐ E) M

12. (1.00 pts) What are the five primary nucleobases?

13. (2.00 pts) Which nucleobases are purines?

14. (3.00 pts) Which nucleobases are pyrimidines?

15. (3.00 pts) Why does cytosine prefer to associate with guanine in DNA?

16. (5.00 pts) Why might uracil, instead of thymine, be favored for use in RNA?

17. (1.00 pts) In humans, dichromatic vision is an x-linked recessive trait. Which of the following statements are true?

(Mark **ALL** correct answers)

- ☐ A) Males are more likely to express this trait
- ☐ B) Females are more likely to express this trait
- ☐ C) Males and females are equally likely to express this trait
- ☐ D) Neither males nor females will express this trait

18. (1.00 pts) In humans, Fragile X syndrome is an x-linked dominant trait. Please select all true statements below.

(Mark **ALL** correct answers)

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- ☐ B) Females are more likely to express this trait
- ☐ C) Males and females are equally likely to express this trait
- ☐ D) Neither males nor females will express this trait

19. (2.00 pts)

Janet carries an x-linked recessive trait. Janet and Jim have 3 children who do not display the trait. If Janet and Jim have another child, what is the probability that this child will display the trait?

(Mark **ALL** correct answers)

- ☐ A) 0%
- ☐ B) 25%
- ☐ C) 50%

- ☐ D) 75%
- ☐ E) 100%

20. (2.00 pts) Using the information in the previous question, what possible genotype(s) might Janet and Jim's child be, given that this child displays the x-linked recessive trait.

(Mark **ALL** correct answers)

- ☐ A) XX
- ☐ B) XY
- ☐ C) YY
- ☐ D) XXY

21. (2.00 pts)

Perform a dihybrid cross between heterozygous goat parents with the genotypes WwHh and WwHh (W = wooly coat, w = smooth coat; H = horned, h = no horns). What is the probability (as a percentage) that an goat in the F1 generation will have a smooth coat with horns? Assume Mendelian inheritance.

22. (1.00 pts) Drewbie has type A- blood. His sister, Maggie, has B+ blood. His daughter, Fiona, has type O- blood.

Ignoring the Rh factor, what is Drewbie's blood genotype?

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Ignoring the Rh factor, what is the blood genotype of Maggie?

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Ignoring the Rh factor, what is the blood genotype of Fiona

25. (2.00 pts) Drewbie has type A- blood. His sister, Maggie, has B+ blood. His daughter, Fiona, has type O- blood.

What pattern of inheritance does this trait follow?

26. (1.00 pts) Drewbie has type A- blood. His sister, Maggie, has B+ blood. His daughter, Fiona, has type O- blood.

Could Drewbie's mother carry the Rh(D) antigen?

27. (5.00 pts)

A sequence of RNA is translated into a string of amino acids. After time, it is noted that some of the side chain residues are attracted to each other, and the protein begins folding inward on itself to lump these residues together on the inside of the protein. Why does this occur?

28. (1.00 pts) An organism that has two identical alleles for a trait is:

- ☐ A) heterozygous
- ☐ B) codominant
- ☐ C) incompletely dominant
- ☐ D) homozygous

29. (1.00 pts) What does the notation Aa mean to geneticists?

- ☐ A) 2 dominant alleles are present
- ☐ B) 2 recessive alleles are present
- ☐ C) An organism expresses the dominant trait but carries (and suppresses) the recessive trait
- ☐ D) At least 2 dominant allele

30. (1.00 pts) Which of these is controlled by a gene with multiple alleles?

(Mark **ALL** correct answers)

- ☐ A) Hair color
- ☐ B) Eye color
- ☐ C) Hairline skew
- ☐ D) Dimples
- ☐ E) Blood type

31. (1.00 pts) Genetic disorders are caused by:

- ☐ A) mutations
- ☐ B) recessive alleles
- ☐ C) sickle-shaped cells
- ☐ D) protein misfolding

32. (1.00 pts) In genetics, the carrier of a trait is a person who has:

(Mark **ALL** correct answers)

- ☐ A) Two dominant alleles
- ☐ B) Two recessive alleles
- ☐ C) One recessive and one dominant allele
- ☐ D) More than two alleles

33. (1.00 pts) Which direction is DNA read during replication?

- ☐ A) 3' to 5'
- ☐ B) 5' to 3'
- ☐ C) Simultaneously 3' to 5' and 5' to 3'
- ☐ D) This is a trick question; DNA is unzipped by DNA Helicase and broken down into translatable adirectional chunks

34. (1.00 pts) What is the name of the fragments generated during replication of the lagging strand?

- ☐ A) Apoptotic fragments
- ☐ B) Comet fragments
- ☐ C) TUNEL fragments
- ☐ D) Okazaki fragments
- ☐ E) Johnson fragments

35. (1.00 pts) Which of the following are organic molecules?

(Mark **ALL** correct answers)

- ☐ A) Nucleotides
- ☐ B) Nucleosides
- ☐ C) Nucleobases
- ☐ D) Amino acids
- ☐ E) RNA
- ☐ F) Chromosomes

36. (2.00 pts) What step of PCR happens at 72 C?

37. (1.00 pts) What is the name of the extrachromosomal ring of DNA found in bacteria?

38. (3.00 pts) What are the three-letter codes for each of the three stop codons?

39. (14.00 pts)

What amino acid sequence is produced by the following template-strand DNA sequence? (Please use 1-letter amino acid abbreviations in your answer. Example: Tryptophan is written as W.)

3' CAGGGGGGAGCGCTGATGGT 5'

40. (3.00 pts) Given the mRNA fragment AUG-AAA-GGC-UCA, what sequence of amino acids is created?

41. (2.00 pts) If a strand of DNA was placed equidistantly between two similar-magnitude but oppositely charged point charges, would it experience attraction?

- ☐ A) Yes, toward the negative charge
- ☐ B) Yes, toward the positive charge
- ☐ C) Yes, toward both charges
- ☐ D) No, it would be repelled by both charges
- ☐ E) No, it is a neutrally-charged compound

42. (1.00 pts) What type of bond is formed between two sequential amino acids?

- ☐ A) Glycoside bond
- ☐ B) Phosphodiester bond
- ☐ C) Hydrogen bond
- ☐ D) Peptide bond
- ☐ E) Ionic bond

43. (4.00 pts) How are multifactorial traits and polygenic traits different?

44. (2.00 pts) What are homologous chromosomes?

45. (10.00 pts) How do mRNA vaccines, such as Moderna's SARS-CoV-2 vaccine, work?

46. (1.00 pts) Where is mRNA translated?

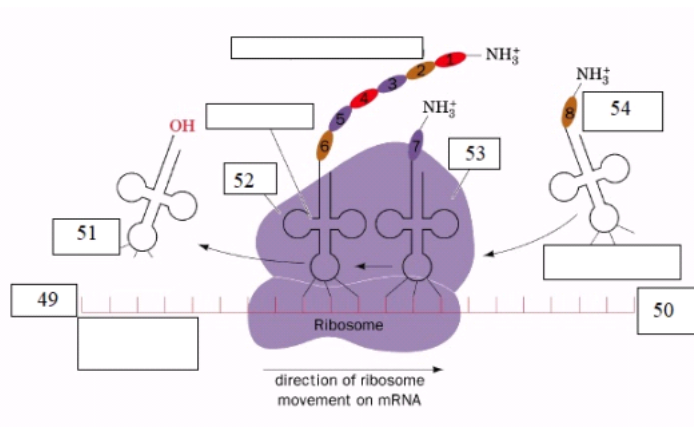
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47. (3.00 pts) Describe the structure of a chromosome

48. (1.00 pts) On a pedigree, how would you indicate that an individual is deceased?

- ☐ A) A slash mark
- ☐ B) Shading
- ☐ C) X
- ☐ D) Erase them

For Questions 49-54, please refer to the following diagram.



Please identify the correct term for each missing place on the diagram.

Word Bank: Aminoacyl binding site, peptidyl binding site, mRNA, 5', 3', tRNA, codon, anticodon, rRNA, exit site, residue

49. (1.00 pts) Please identify the term in blank 49.

50. (1.00 pts) Please identify the term in blank 50.

51. (1.00 pts) Please identify the term in blank 51.

52. (1.00 pts) Please identify the term in blank 52.

53. (1.00 pts) Please identify the term in blank 53.

54. (1.00 pts) Please identify the term in blank 54.

55. (2.00 pts) *P. tapanuliensis* has 48 chromosomes. How many chromatids would they have in prophase 1?

56. (2.00 pts) *P. tapanuliensis* has 48 chromosomes. How many chromatids would they have at the end of meiosis II?

57. (2.00 pts) Suppose the hypothetical protein Gl1m interferes with another protein's ability to bind to a ligand. One would conclude that Gl1m is a(n)

(Mark **ALL** correct answers)

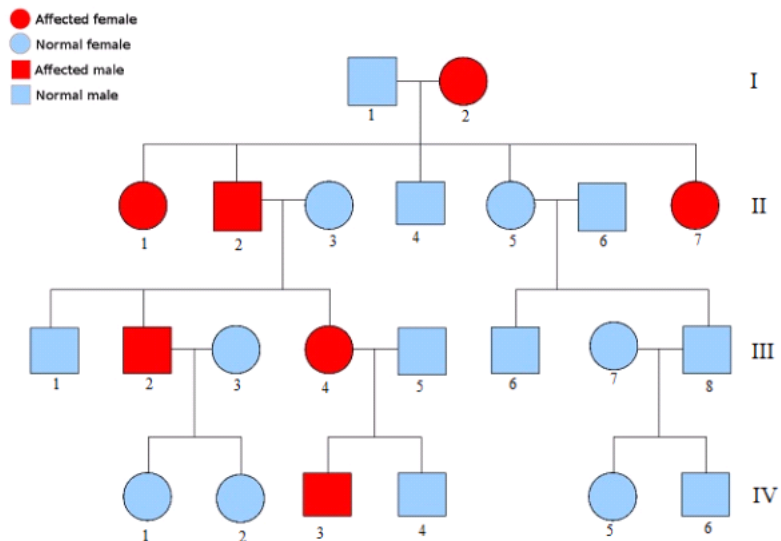
- ☐ A) operon
- ☐ B) transcription repressor
- ☐ C) antibody
- ☐ D) cofactor/coenzyme
- ☐ E) competitive inhibitor

58. (5.00 pts) Why is meiosis necessary?

59. (1.00 pts) What is the primary role of an intron?

- ☐ A) They are translated by RNA polymerase in the ribosome
- ☐ B) They regulate gene expression
- ☐ C) They unzip DNA allowing for transcription
- ☐ D) They protect DNA complexes from mutation due to photochemical radiation

For questions 60-65, please refer to the following pedigree which tracks the presence of palm hair in ring-tailed lemurs. In these questions, H will refer to the dominant allele and h will refer to the recessive allele.



60. (2.00 pts) What modality of inheritance does this trait follow?

- ☐ A) Autosomal dominant
- ☐ B) Autosomal recessive
- ☐ C) X-linked dominant
- ☐ D) X-linked recessive
- ☐ E) Mitochondrial

61. (1.00 pts) What is the genotype of individual I-2?

62. (1.00 pts) What is the genotype of individual II-4?

63. (1.00 pts) What is the genotype of III-4?

64. (2.00 pts) If individual IV-3 had offspring with II-7, what percent of their offspring would have hairy palms?

65. (1.00 pts) Which of the following genomes is most likely that of a free-living prokaryote?

(Mark **ALL** correct answers)

- ☐ A) A genome that is 300 million bp long with over 50 percent repetitive DNA and many introns
- ☐ B) A genome that is 3 million bp long, is arranged in many linear chromosomes and has many introns
- ☐ C) A genome that is 16,000 bp long and arranged in a circle
- ☐ D) A genome that is 3 million bp long, arranged in a single circular chromosome and has little repetitive DNA

66. (1.00 pts) What is translocation?

67. (3.00 pts) How are necrosis and apoptosis different?

68. (3.00 pts) Skin color in fish is inherited via a single gene with four different alleles. How many different genotypes would be possible in this system?

69. (2.00 pts) Nondisjunction can occur in anaphase I if _____ fail to separate.

70. (2.00 pts) Nondisjunction can occur in anaphase II if _____ fail to separate.

71. (3.00 pts) What is aneuploidy?
What happens to most aneuploidic zygotes?
Provide an example of an aneuploidy.

72. (2.00 pts) Briefly summarize the law of independent assortment

73. (3.00 pts) How do CDK's become activated

74. (2.00 pts) Which of the following is equivalent to Phe-Ile-Arg-Glu-Pro-Leu-Asp-Cys-Glu"

- ☐ A) FIREPLDCE
- ☐ B) FIREPLACE
- ☐ C) FIRDPLACD
- ☐ D) PIREFLDCE

75. (2.00 pts) What is the pKa of the alpha-carboxyl group in amino acids?

- ☐ A) 1.0
- ☐ B) 2.0
- ☐ C) 3.0
- ☐ D) 4.0

76. (10.00 pts) Five, seven, then five
Syllables mark a haiku
on phylogeny.

77. (2.00 pts) An amphipathic molecule is one that is:

- ☐ A) Charged
- ☐ B) Polar
- ☐ C) Nonpolar
- ☐ D) Both polar and nonpolar

78. (2.00 pts)

The activity of an enzyme requires a cysteine to display its -SH side chain in the deprotonated state. The pKa of the -SH group is 8.3. At what pH will the enzyme show 65% of maximal activity?

- ☐ A) 8.03
- ☐ B) 8.11
- ☐ C) 8.57
- ☐ D) 8.88

79. (2.00 pts)

You have overexpressed two genes: A (mw= 30 kDa) and B (mw=90 kDa), using recombinant DNA in *E. coli* and are purifying the proteins. Following initial purification steps, you load A and B onto a size exclusion column. Protein A is a homohexamer and protein B is a homotetramer. Which will elute first?

- ☐ A) A
- ☐ B) B
- ☐ C) They will elute simultaneously
- ☐ D) There is no way to tell from the information given

80. (2.00 pts) The side chain on R contains a(n):

- ☐ A) imidazole group
- ☐ B) guanidino group
- ☐ C) amine group
- ☐ D) none of these

81. (2.00 pts) Important features of the chymotrypsin catalytic process include:

(Mark **ALL** correct answers)

- ☐ A) tetrahedral intermediates
- ☐ B) oxyanion holes
- ☐ C) electrostatic stabilization
- ☐ D) covalent catalysis

82. (2.00 pts) How do you elute His-tagged proteins from a nickel column?

- ☐ A) increase pH
- ☐ B) increase [imidazole]
- ☐ C) increase [NaCl]
- ☐ D) decrease [NaCl]

83. (2.00 pts) The Y-O₂ binding curve of myoglobin is _____, while that of hemoglobin is _____.

- ☐ A) exponential; sigmoidal
- ☐ B) sigmoidal; hyperbolic
- ☐ C) linear; sigmoidal
- ☐ D) hyperbolic; sigmoidal

84. (2.00 pts) Where does BPG bind to hemoglobin and what does it do?

- ☐ A) Binds to central cavity; stabilizes T state
- ☐ B) Binds to central cavity; stabilizes R state
- ☐ C) Binds to amino terminus; stabilizes T state
- ☐ D) Binds to amino terminus; stabilizes R state

85. (2.00 pts) Where are you likely to find P residues?

- ☐ A) alpha helices
- ☐ B) beta sheets
- ☐ C) turns
- ☐ D) both sheets and helices

86. (2.00 pts) Sickle cell anemia arose from a

- ☐ A) Frame shift mutation
- ☐ B) point mutation
- ☐ C) conservative substitution
- ☐ D) none of these

87. (20.00 pts)

A peptide isolated for sequencing consists of the following amino acids: Arg, Gly, Met, Phe, Trp, Tyr, and 3 Cys. The high C content suggests the possibility of disulfide bridges so experiments were performed on the reduced peptide with the following results:

Treatment 1: FNDB:
Fragments produced:

alpha-DNP-C
alpha-DNP-Y

Treatment 2: Trypsin

Fragments produced: C; C,R,F,Y; C,G,M,W

Treatment 3: Chymotrypsin

Fragments produced: G,M; C,R; Y; C,W; C,F

Treatment 4: CNBr

Fragments produced: G

Determine the sequence of amino acids from the information above. If multiple chains are found, please separate your chains with a "/".

88. (4.00 pts) Using the genetic code, explain how a point mutation could change a codon for Glu to a codon for Val.

89. (5.00 pts)

DNA from a newly discovered virus was purified, and UV light absorption was monitored as the molecule was slowly heated. The absorbance increase at the melting temperature was only about 10%. What does this tell you about the structure of the viral DNA?

90. (1.00 pts) Hey, you made it to the end of the test :)

Do you feel confident in your knowledge?

☐ A) Perhaps