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BIOLOGY

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

Answer ALL questions in both sections A and B.

SECTION A

Write answers to this section in the boxes provided.

SECTION B

Write answers to this section in the spaces provided.

No additional sheets of paper should be inserted in this booklet.

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SECTION A (40 MARKS)

1. Which one of the following is the main respiratory process in red blood cells?
- A. Alcoholic fermentation
 - B. Oxidative phosphorylation
 - C. Lactic acid fermentation
 - D. Glycolysis

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2. Figure 1 represents the osmotic pressure of two adjacent plant cells A and B.

A	B
$\Psi_{\text{cell}} = -0.4$	$\Psi_{\text{cell}} = -0.8$
$\Psi_p = 0.8$	$\Psi_p = 0.4$
$\Psi_s = -1.2$	$\Psi_s = -1.2$

In which direction will water move by osmosis?

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- A. Both directions until equilibrium is established.
 - B. Both directions even when equilibrium is established
 - C. From A to B until equilibrium is established
 - D. From B to A until equilibrium is established
3. A cell is treated with a chemical that inhibits the action of cholinesterase enzyme. Which one of the following is likely to result from this treatment?
- A. Rapid impulse transmission
 - B. Continuous impulse transmission
 - C. Cessation of impulse transmission
 - D. Summation of individual generator potentials

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4. Which one of the following parts of the nephron contribute most to the survival of the desert frog?
- A. Bowman's capsule
 - B. Proximal convoluted tubule
 - C. Glomerulus
 - D. Loop of Henle

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5. If the sequence of bases on a messenger RNA molecule is AUGACU, how many amino acids does it code for?
- A. 6
 - B. 2
 - C. 4
 - D. 3

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6. Which one of the following forms of reproduction may promote survival of a species?
- A. Multiple fission
 - B. Conjugation
 - C. Budding
 - D. Fragmentation
7. Which one of the following explains why the number of mitochondria per gram of liver varies in mammals of different sizes? They have different;
- A. Nutrient requirements
 - B. Body temperature
 - C. Ventilation rate
 - D. Metabolic rates
8. Which one of the following organisms is most affected by the excessive use of pesticides?
- A. Carnivores
 - B. Herbivores
 - C. Parasites
 - D. Producers
9. Which one of the following features of a bony fish makes it more adapted for swimming than a cartilaginous fish?
- A. Strong endoskeleton
 - B. Possession of swim bladder
 - C. Having a streamlined body shape
 - D. Highly coordinated neuromuscular activity
10. When a gamete with non – disjunction is fertilized, the resulting condition is called;
- A. Translocation
 - B. Duplication
 - C. Polyploidy
 - D. Inversion
11. Which one of the following the least effect of competition among organisms of population for a similar limited resource?
- A. Range restriction
 - B. Aggression towards each other
 - C. Extinction
 - D. Co-existence

12. Which one of the following is the first product of photosynthesis?

- A. Ribose sugar
- B. Ribulose
- C. Phosphoglyceric acid
- D. Phosphoglyceraldehyde

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13. Which one of the following enables the two strands of DNA to easily separate during replication?

- A. Closeness of nitrogenous base pairs
- B. Presence of weak hydrogen bonds between base pairs.
- C. Presence of weak hydrogen bonds between phosphate and sugar
- D. Helical nature of the nucleotides

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14. The effect of increased body temperature on the oxygen dissociation curve for haemoglobin in mammals is to;

- A. Lower haemoglobin's affinity for oxygen
- B. Increase haemoglobins affinity for oxygen
- C. Shift the oxygen dissociation curve to the left
- D. Increase on the levels of carbon dioxide in the blood.

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15. Which one of these factors is most likely to change the gene pool of a small isolated population?

- A. Natural selection
- B. Non random mating
- C. Mutation
- D. Chance

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16. Figure 2 shows the effect of change in a light condition on the rate of water loss from a plant shoot.

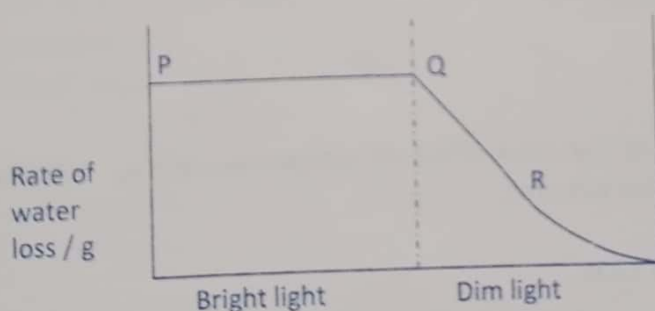


Fig. 2

From the figure, one would conclude that;

- A. There a few open stomata at point P
- B. Some salts are lost from the plant at point R
- C. Number of open stomata begin to reduce from point Q
- D. There is a high level of a baisic acid in the leaves between point P and Q

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7. Which one of the following substances are not transported by the circulatory system of mammals?

- A. Glucose and oxygen
- B. ATP and amylase
- C. Carbon dioxide and urea
- D. Adrenaline and amylase

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18. Which one of the following is not caused by seasonal change in migratory birds?

- A. Plumage colouration
- B. Feeding behavior
- C. Reproductive behavior
- D. Hormonal changes

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19. Which one of the following is not a role of the larval stage in animal development?

- A. Dispersal
- B. Asexual reproduction
- C. Feeding
- D. Sexual reproduction

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20. Which one of the following factors maintains phenotypic stabililty within a population

- A. Gene mutation
- B. Geographical isolation
- C. Stabilizing selection
- D. Genetic drift

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21. Figure 3 shows a structure from a plant tissue.

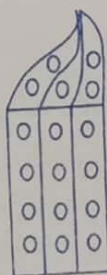


Fig.3

Which one of the following is correct about the tissue from which this structure is formed?

- A. It is a simple plant tissue
- B. Has unevenly thickened cell wall
- C. Transports only mineral salts
- D. Has a mechanical role in the plant

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22. A lizard has a higher secondary productivity than a rat of equivalent size because the lizard;

- A. Needs to control its body temperature
- B. Eats relatively little food than a rat
- C. Has a low metabolic rate
- D. Feeds mainly on energy rich food substances

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23. When a pyruvate loses a carbon dioxide molecule in plants; it becomes;

- A. Acetylco enzym A
- B. Ethanol
- C. Lactate
- D. Ethanal

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24. Which one of the following events occurs at interphase of mitosis?

- A. Synthesis of DNA
- B. Separation of homologue's
- C. Synthesis of nucleic acids
- D. Constriction of the cell membrane

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25. Which one of the following statements explains why a humming bird hibernates only at night? It,

- A. Has a high metabolic rate
- B. Feeds on nectar from flowers which it only accesses at night
- C. Has a relatively large surface area to volume ratio encouraging faster heat loss
- D. Has a relatively low food consumption which can not sustain the high levels of metabolism

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26. Which one of the following forces are not experienced by the bones of a tetrapod during its locomotion?

- A. Compressional forces
- B. Tension forces
- C. Shearing forces
- D. Expansion forces

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27. Which one of the following processes is not likely to lower the oxygen levels of river stream?
- A. Ammonification
 - B. Nitrogen fixation
 - C. Nitrification
 - D. Denitrification
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28. Which one of the following hormones would be released by a plant in response to water stress?
- A. Ethane
 - B. Abscissic acid
 - C. Gibberellins
 - D. Auxins
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29. The role of variation in a population is to;
- A. Promote gene flow
 - B. Promote hybrid vigour
 - C. Allow the population grow fast
 - D. Allow natural selection to operate
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30. Which one of the following is the final destination of electrical impulses initiated by the pace maker in the heart?
- A. Sino atrial node
 - B. Base of ventricles
 - C. Atrioventricular node
 - D. Apex of ventricles
- ☐
31. Which one of the following features is shared by annelids and arthropods?
- A. Exoskeleton
 - B. Jointed body form
 - C. Metameric segmentation
 - D. Chitineous cuticle
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32. At the synapse, increased permeability of the post synaptic membrane to chloride ions may cause;
- A. Hyperpolarisation of the membrane
 - B. Depolarization of the membrane
 - C. Polarization of the membrane
 - D. Excitation of the membrane
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33. Which property of water makes it a suitable component of the earth worm's skeleton?
- A. High surface tension
 - B. High density
 - C. Low viscosity
 - D. Incompressibility

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34. Colour blindness is a sex linked trait caused by a recessive gene. When a woman heterozygous for the trait is married to a normal man, what would be the probability of this couple producing a normal child?
- A. 0%
 - B. 25%
 - C. 50%
 - D. 75%

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35. Which one of the following will least affect the genepool?
- A. Mutation
 - B. Genetic drift
 - C. Crossing over
 - D. Natural selection

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36. When a predator avoids eating a brightly coloured prey, the behavior displayed is called;
- A. Insight learning
 - B. Associative learning
 - C. Exploratory learning
 - D. Conditioning

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37. In the mammalian eye, rods have a reduced visual activity than cones because the latter;
- A. Densely packed at the periphery of the retina
 - B. Do not show synaptic convergence
 - C. Are less sensitive to light
 - D. Are highly concentrated at the blind spot

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38. A partially closed ductus arteriosus in an individual causes;
- A. Shortage of oxygen to the tissues
 - B. High blood pressure
 - C. Heart attack
 - D. Anaemia

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39. Which one of the following is a component of enzymes?

- A. Globulin
- B. Keratin
- C. Elastin
- D. Collagen

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40. Which one of the following activities may not contribute to global warming?

- A. Use of pesticides
- B. Deforestation
- C. Burning of coal
- D. Use of CFCs

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SECTION B (60 MARKS)

41. Figure 4. Shows the effect of sewage discharge on the concentration of dissolve oxygen and ammonium ions of a river at increasing distance downstream.

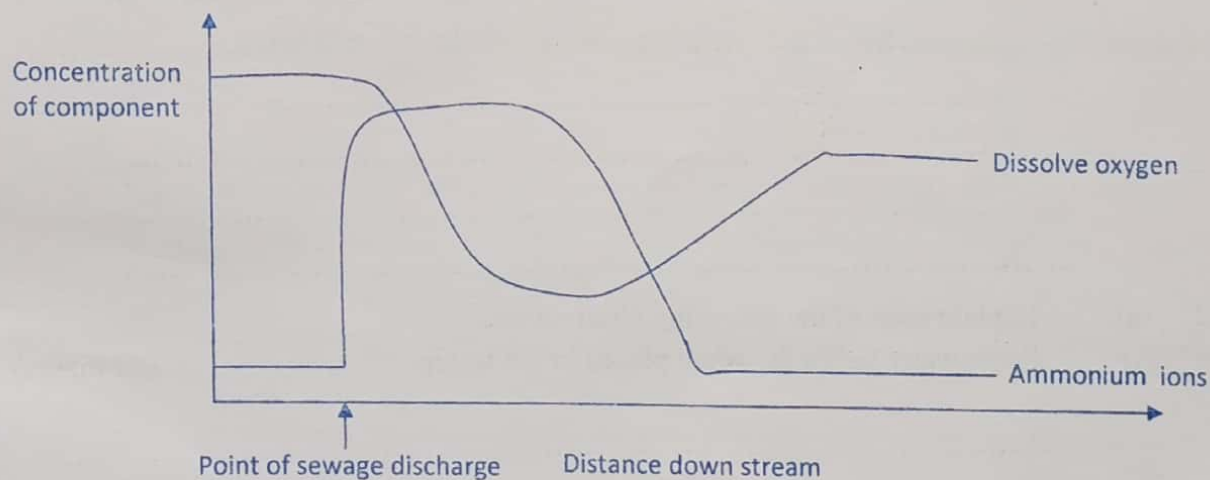


Fig. 4

(a) Explain the changes in the concentration of ammonium ions downstream from the point of sewage discharge. (03 marks)

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- (b) Explain why the concentration of dissolved oxygen decreases initially and later increases again, downstream. (04 marks)

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- (c) Explain why the effects shown on the figure are more severe at night than during day time. (03 marks)

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42. (a) Explain each of the following observations; (03 marks)
- (i) Fresh water fishes die when placed in sea water.

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- (ii) Spider crab dies when placed in fresh waters. (03 marks)

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- (b) Halophytes are plants that live in salt marshes.
- (i) Explain why it is necessary for halophytes to have osmo-regulatory mechanisms. (02 marks)

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- (ii) Suggest how halophytes are adapted for living in salt marshes. (02 marks)

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43. (a) Distinguish between apical and lateral meristems. (02 marks)

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- (b) How do each of the following tissues bring about growth in higher plants? (04 marks)
- (i) Apical meristem.
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(ii) Vascular cambium. (04 marks)

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44. (a) Give three characteristics of chromosomes in diploid cells. (03 marks)

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(b) Figure 5 shows a stage of cell division.

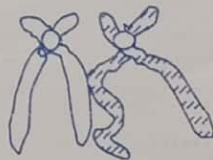


Fig. 4

(i) Giving a reason, identify the stage of cell division. (03 marks)

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- (ii) From the figure, explain how the behavior of chromosomes contributes to genetic variation. (04 marks)

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45. Figure 6 shows the oxygen dissociation curves for two species of aquatic animals A and B. A lives at the bottom of the sea where there is plenty of decaying organic matter while B lives in the surface waters of the sea.

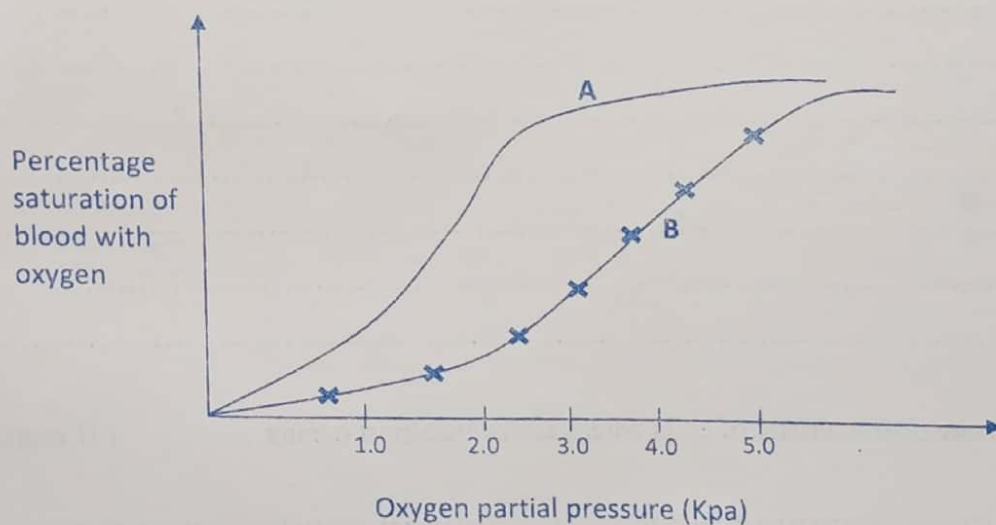


Fig. 2

- (a) From the figure, state two differences in the behavior of haemoglobin of the two animals. (02 marks)

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(b) Explain the advantages of the position of the dissociation curve for each animal in its habitat.

(i) Animal A.

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(ii) Animal B

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46. (a) Give **one** characteristic of cells where active transport occurs.

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(b) How does active transport occur across the plasma membrane?

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(c) Explain the role of each of the following processes in cells.

(i) Exocytosis

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(ii) Endocytosis

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