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Pacing Guide for Teachers

BIOLOGY (ZOOLOGY)

Grade XII
Theory

Number of weeks: 28

Number of periods per week: 3

Key Textbook: Biology for Grade 12, Punjab Textbook Board, Lahore

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Topic

Homeostasis

Total Periods

13

Sub-Topic	Range of SLOs	Periods (40 mins)
15.1 Introduction, 15.2 Feedback System	15.1.1-15.1.2, 15.2.1-15.2.3	2
15.3 Osmoregulation in Plants and Animals	15.3.4	1
15.5 Excretion in Animals	15.5.1-15.5.2	2
15.6 Excretion in Man	15.6.1- 15.6.7	3
15.7 Kidney Problems	15.7.1,15.7.2	2
15.9 Thermoregulation in Animals	15.9.1-15.9.5	3

Learning Resources

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Suggested Activities and/or Formative Assessment

Activity 1

Animated Videos:

Share animated videos that visually explain how the counter-current mechanism establishes a concentration gradient in the nephron, leading to water reabsorption.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xbl8eY-BeXY>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=chARqnvMRjM>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=plx9Phx9C04>

Activity 2

Whiteboard Demonstrations:

Use a whiteboard or digital board to draw out the loop of Henle and illustrate the movement of solutes and water at different segments.

Activity 3

Critical Thinking Questions:

Pose thought-provoking questions that encourage students to predict the outcomes of changes in the loop of Henle's structure or function, i.e., Consider the scenario where the loop of Henle's thin descending limb became more permeable to solutes. How could this affect the osmolarity of the filtrate at the end of the loop?

Activity 4

Students' Assessment Quiz:

<https://quizizz.com/admin/quiz/5e2a1473dfb3d1001bec1e3b/homeostasis?fromSearch=true&source=null>

<https://quizizz.com/admin/quiz/5bc7fee3fe9995001b08aff9/homeostasis?fromSearch=true&source=null>

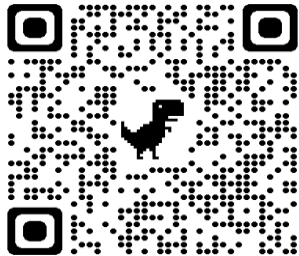
<https://quizizz.com/admin/quiz/6435b043b21713001d759882/kidney-homeostasis?fromSearch=true&source=null>

<https://quizizz.com/admin/quiz/5f14ffd5c2b85a001b523de3/homeostasis-in-animals-and-plants?createdByMe=true&searchLocale>

Further Resources

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Topic

Total Periods

16. Support and Movement

13

Sub-Topic	Range of SLOs	Periods (40 mins)
16.3 Support and Locomotion in Animals	16.3.1-16.3.3	2
16.4 Human Skeleton	16.4.1, 16.4.5, 16.4.6	2
	16.4.2-16.4.4	2 (Practical units)
16.4 Human Skeleton	16.4.7-16.4.9	2
16.5 Muscular System	16.5.1-16.5.3	2 (Practical units)
16.5 Muscular System	16.5.5 - 16.5.9	4
16.6 Locomotion in Protozoa and Animals	16.6.1-16.6.4	3

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Web Resources

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NfEJUPnqyk0>

Suggested Activities and/or Formative Assessment

Activity 1

Visual Guides:

Use labelled diagrams, models and illustrations to showcase the bones of the axial and appendicular skeleton. Point out key features, bone names and articulation.

Activity 2

Comparative Skeletons:

Compare the skeletal structures of different species to highlight adaptations related to movement, support, and environmental factors.

Activity 3

Visual Demonstrations:

Models:

Provide joint models or images that demonstrate the various types of joints (ball-and-socket, hinge, pivot, etc.). Explain the range of motion associated with each.

Interactive Videos:

Share videos that show animations of joint movements, muscle structure and mechanism of muscle contraction. These visual aids can help students understand the subject matter more efficiently.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Un_iG74R_TI

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fEgjXKvO6A4>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BVcgO4p88AA>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GrHsiHazpsw>

Joint Diagrams:

Provide diagrams of joints, highlighting ligaments, synovial fluid, and other structures that contribute to joint stability and mobility.

Activity 4

Quiz:

<https://quizizz.com/admin/quiz/62578c1f92d1e7001e667b99/muscle-contraction?allQuizzes=true&searchLocale>

<https://quizizz.com/admin/quiz/5fc1d987a9fdc9001f0b16a0/chapter-14-support-movement-in-humans-animals?fromSearch=true&source=null>

Activity 5

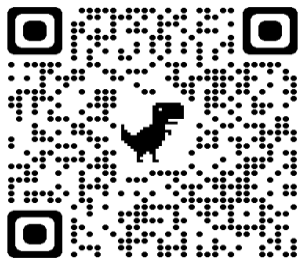
Lab Activity:

Assist students to prepare temporary slides of skeletal, smooth, and cardiac muscle tissues. It helps students understand the differences in structure and function of these muscle types.

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Topic

Total Periods

17. Coordination & Control

17

Sub-Topic	Range of SLOs	Periods (40 mins)
17.1 Introduction, 17.3 Coordination in Animals	17.1.1,17.1.2 17.3.1-17.3.4	2
17.3 Coordination in Animals	17.3.5-17.3.10	3
17.4 Evolution of Nervous System	17.4.1- 17.4.5	3
17.4 Evolution of Nervous System, 17.5 Chemical Coordination	17.4.6-17.4.7 17.5.1	3
17.5 Chemical Coordination	17.5.2-17.5.5	3
17.6 Behaviour	17.6.1-17.6.4	3

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Suggested Activities and/or Formative Assessment

Activity 1

Visual Demonstrations via Animations:

Provide animated visualisations of complex concepts, including the propagation of an action potential along an axon, the components of the brain, and the mechanism of a reflex arc.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iBDXOt_uHTQ

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OvVI8rOEncE>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z4U6uqm4s-o>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mELWDukIDuQ>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LNB_-l1vik

Activity 2

Action Potential Graphs:

Show graphs depicting the changes in voltage (action potential) over time during depolarisation and repolarisation. Explain how sodium and potassium channels play a role.

Activity 3

Signal Interruption Scenario:

Present a scenario where a certain component of the neuron is impaired, such as myelin sheath damage. Ask students to predict the impact on nerve impulse conduction.

Scenario-based questions:

Provide diverse scenario-based questions in the form of worksheets to facilitate the understanding of various types of learning behaviours in animals.

Activity 4

Group Activities:

Hormone Role-Play:

Assign students roles as different hormones and target organs. Have them interact in a simulated hormone-receptor binding scenario to demonstrate understanding.

Hormone Research Projects:

Divide students into groups and assign each group a specific hormone to research. Have them present on the hormone's production, functions, and effects.

Activity 5

Home Assignment online Quiz

<https://quizizz.com/admin/quiz/5eba468714b141001bad744c/control-and-coordination?fromSearch=true&source=null>

<https://fgstudy.com/quiz/12th-class/chapter-wise/12th-class-biology-mcqs-coordination-and-control-online-test.html>

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1DwTh8IGMSX_eRWt4vHkVUVI9JM_zVICz/view

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Topic

18. Reproduction

Total Periods

10

Sub-Topic	Range of SLOs	Periods (40 mins)
18.5 Asexual Reproduction in Animals	18.5.1-18.5.2	2
18.6 Sexual Reproduction in Animals	18.6.1-18.6.4 18.6.5-18.6.8	3 3
	18.6.9 -18.6.12	2

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Suggested Activities and/or Formative Assessment

Activity 1

Students Activity

Visual Aids:

Anatomical Diagrams: Use detailed diagrams to illustrate the male and female reproductive systems. Highlight the structures and their relationships.

3D Models: Provide three-dimensional models of reproductive organs to help students visualize their spatial arrangement.

Menstrual Cycle Diagrams:

Use labelled diagrams to illustrate the stages of the menstrual cycle, including follicular, ovulation, and luteal phases. Highlight hormone fluctuations and changes in the uterine lining.

Activity 2

Guest Speakers and Experts:

Invite guest speakers, such as gynecologists or reproductive health educators, to share real-world insights and answer students' questions.

Activity 3

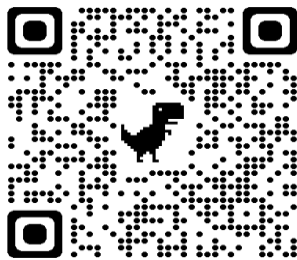
Home Assignment Quiz

<https://quizizz.com/admin/quiz/64226304492eb5001db17e2b/reproduction-in-humans-the-menstrual-cycle>

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Topic

19. Growth and Development

Total Periods

8

Sub-Topic	Range of SLOs	Periods (40 mins)
19.1 Introduction, 19.4 Growth and Development in Animals, 19.5 Development of Chick	19.1.1, 19.4.1-19.4.2 19.5.1	2
19.5 Development of Chick	19.5.2 19.5.3 -19.5.4	3 (1 Lab unit)
19.6 Cell Differentiation and its Mechanism, 19.7 Abnormal Development	19.6.1-19.6.6 19.7.1,19.7.2	3

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Suggested Activities and/or Formative Assessment

Activity 1

Embryology Charts:

Use detailed diagrams and charts that depict the developmental stages of a chick embryo inside the egg.

Activity 2

Embryonic Development Animations:

Share animated videos that illustrate the various stages of chick development, from fertilization to hatching.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Oay7q_xw9U

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jsFn- SC2Q8>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OPTmFxtivHI>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rSlurckMtfU>

Activity 3

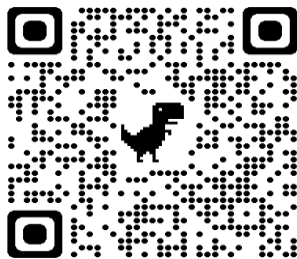
Graphic Organisers:

Provide students with graphic organiser like concept maps, KWL charts (What I Know, What I Want to Know, What I Learned), or Venn diagrams to visually organise and compare information from the videos.

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Total Periods

23. Biotechnology

13

Sub-Topic	Range of SLOs	Periods (40 mins)
23.1 Introduction to Biotechnology 23.2 Genetic Engineering	23.1.1-23.1.2 23.2.1	2
23.2 Genetic Engineering	23.2.2	3
23.3 Applications of Genetic Engineering	23.3.1- 23.3.2	2
23.4 Biotechnology and Health	23.4.1-23.4.2	2
23.4 Biotechnology and Health	23.4.3- 23.4.4	2
23.5 Biotechnology and Agriculture	23.6.1,23.6.2,23.6.3	2

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Suggested Activities and/or Formative Assessment

Activity 1

Flowcharts and Diagrams:

Use flowcharts and diagrams to illustrate the sequential steps of genetic engineering, including DNA isolation, gene insertion, and cloning.

Activity 2

Case Studies and Applications:

Real-Life Examples: Discuss real-world applications of genetic engineering, such as genetically modified organisms (GMOs) in agriculture and medical applications like insulin production.

Ethical Considerations: Engage students in discussions about the ethical implications of genetic engineering, considering both potential benefits and risks.

Forensic DNA Profiling: Present a case study on how PCR is used in forensic DNA profiling, highlighting its role in identifying individuals.

Archaeological DNA Analysis: Explore how PCR is used to amplify ancient DNA samples in archaeological research.

Activity 3

Visual Aids:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DIM38NikWEo>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CvJNzxvPCzg>

Activity 4

Ethical Discussions:

DNA Fingerprinting Ethics: Engage students in discussions about the ethical considerations surrounding DNA fingerprinting and the potential misuse of genetic information.

Activity 5

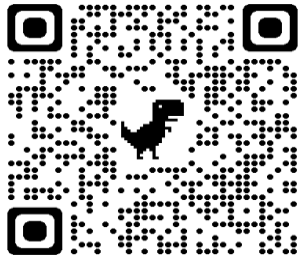
Quiz:

<https://quizizz.com/admin/quiz/5a79baca68cc71001f1d0a3d/genetic-technology?isSuperRecommended=false>

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Topic

24. Evolution

Total Periods

6

Sub-Topic	Range of SLOs	Periods (40 mins)
24.1 Introduction	24.1.1- 24.1.3	1
24.2 Theories of Evolution	24.2.1- 24.2.3	2
24.3 Evidence of Evolution	24.3.1 - 24.3.2	1
24.4 Mechanism of Evolution	24.4.1 - 24.4.8	2

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Suggested Activities and/or Formative Assessment

Activity 1

Engage with Natural Selection via Beak Adaptation Lab:

Provide different types of tools or utensils (e.g., tweezers, chopsticks, clothespins) and a variety of "foods" (e.g., beans, marshmallows).

Assign different beak shapes to student groups and have them test which tool is most efficient for picking up specific foods.

Discuss how the tool (beak) suited to the food source represents an adaptation.

Debrief the activity by facilitating discussions that connect the activity to the concept of natural selection. Encourage students to explain their decisions, reflect on the outcomes, and draw parallels to real-world scenarios.

Activity 2

Mathematical Practice of Hardy-Weinberg Law:

Provide a set of allele frequency data and have students practice calculating genotype frequencies using the Hardy-Weinberg equation. Ask students to calculate the expected genotype ratios for a specific gene in a population under Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium.

Activity 3

Home Assignment:

<https://quizizz.com/admin/quiz/63ec1cd9f1632c001e0504c4/natural-selection?fromSearch=true&source=null>

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Topic

Total Periods

27. Man and his Environment

4

Sub-Topic	Range of SLOs	Periods (40 mins)
27.1 Resources, 27.2 Man's Impact on Environment	27.1.1, 27.1.2 27.2.1- 27.2.3	1
27.2 Man's Impact on Environment, 27.3 Pollution	27.2.4 27.3.1- 27.3.2	1
27.4 Protection and Conservation of Environment and Biodiversity	27.4.1- 27.4.3	1
27.4 Protection and Conservation of Environment and Biodiversity, 27.5 Health and Diseases	27.4.4 - 27.4.5 27.5.1	1

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Suggested Activities and/or Formative Assessment

Activity 1

Collaborative Research:

Organise students into small groups based on their chosen topics. Diversity within groups can encourage varied perspectives. Guide students in conducting thorough research using reputable sources to gather information about their chosen environmental issue.

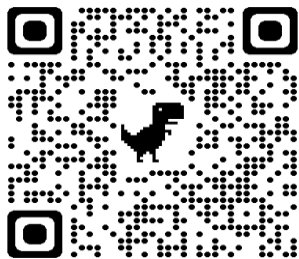
Have each group create multimedia presentations, incorporating visuals, charts, graphs, and videos to effectively communicate their findings.

Assign groups to design informative infographics or posters that summarize key points about their chosen environmental topic.

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- ensuring smooth transition of a school's academic year.
- ensuring curricular continuity in schools.
- predicting the time and pace of syllabi implementation.

This document also contains **suggested activities and/or formative assessments** that may enhance the learning experience. Please note that these activities are meant to serve as suggestions. As educators, you have the flexibility and autonomy to adapt and modify them to best suit the needs of your students and the dynamics of your classroom.

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