Class 10 - Biology Answer Key

Q1: Photosynthesis converts light energy into chemical energy, while respiration releases energy from food. Photosynthesis occurs in chloroplasts, respiration in mitochondria. Photosynthesis requires CO2 and releases O2, respiration requires O2 and releases CO2.

Q2: The human heart has four chambers – two atria and two ventricles. It pumps oxygenated blood to the body and deoxygenated blood to the lungs. Valves prevent backflow of blood.

Q3: Transpiration is the loss of water from plant leaves through stomata. It helps in water absorption, cooling, and nutrient transport.

Q4: The nervous system controls body activities by transmitting signals. It consists of the brain, spinal cord, and nerves.

Q5: The stages of nutrition include ingestion, digestion, absorption, assimilation, and egestion. Each step helps convert food into usable energy.

Q6: Heredity is the transmission of traits from parents to offspring. According to Mendel's law of segregation, allele pairs separate during gamete formation and reunite at fertilization.

Q7: A nephron is the structural and functional unit of the kidney. It filters blood, reabsorbs water and nutrients, and forms urine.

Q8: The carbon cycle is the process by which carbon moves through the biosphere, atmosphere, oceans, and geosphere. It maintains the balance of CO2 in nature.