



BIOLOGY HIGHER LEVEL PAPER 1

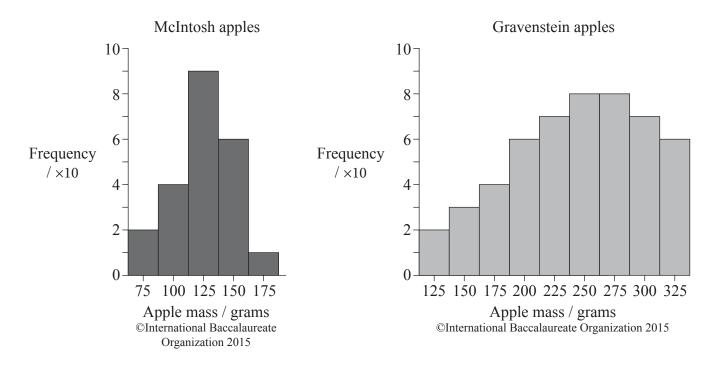
Monday 10 November 2014 (afternoon)

1 hour

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

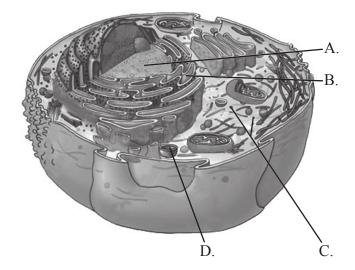
- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer all the questions.
- For each question, choose the answer you consider to be the best and indicate your choice on the answer sheet provided.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is [40 marks].

1. What can be predicted from the histogram comparing the mass of McIntosh apples and the mass of Gravenstein apples?



- A. More fertiliser had been used to grow the McIntosh apples.
- B. The mass of the McIntosh apples has a smaller standard deviation than the Gravenstein apples.
- C. The electronic balance used to obtain the data was only accurate to 5 grams.
- D. The distribution of the two apple masses overlaps by 68%.
- **2.** What evidence supports the cell theory?
 - A. Living organisms are made up of cells.
 - B. Unicellular organisms carry out all the functions of life.
 - C. Multicellular organisms show emergent properties.
 - D. Cells can develop from inorganic molecules.

- **3.** What is a difference between prokaryotic cells and eukaryotic cells?
 - A. Ribosomes are found only in prokaryotic cells.
 - B. Cell walls are found only in eukaryotic cells.
 - C. Mitochondria are found only in eukaryotic cells.
 - D. Flagella are found only in prokaryotic cells.
- **4.** What causes cell differentiation in multicellular organisms?
 - A. Each cell having different genes.
 - B. The expression of certain genes but not others.
 - C. The recognition by antibodies of some cells but not others.
 - D. The cellular recognition of a specific function.
- **5.** Which structure synthesizes proteins for use primarily within the cell?



[Source: adapted from http://faculty.irsc.edu/FACULTY/TFischer/images/cell organelles.png]

| 6. | What transport method is used in the reabsorption of glucose in the proximal convoluted the kidney? | | | | |
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| | A. | Diffusion | | | |
| | B. | Osmosis | | | |
| | C. | Endocytosis | | | |
| | D. | Active transport | | | |
| 7. | Wha | t characteristic(s) of water allow(s) effective transport of nutrients around the body by blood? | | | |
| | | I. Solvent properties | | | |
| | | II. Thermal capacity | | | |
| | | III. Transparency | | | |
| | A. | I only | | | |
| | B. | I and II only | | | |
| | C. | II and III only | | | |
| | D. | I, II and III | | | |
| 8. | Which is a function of sucrose in plants? | | | | |
| | A. | Protection | | | |
| | B. | Transport | | | |
| | C. | Support | | | |
| | D. | Photosynthesis | | | |
| 9. | Wha | What happens when the substrate concentration is increased in an enzyme-catalysed reaction? | | | |
| | A. | The enzyme is denatured. | | | |
| | B. | Competitive inhibition is reduced. | | | |
| | C. | End-product inhibition occurs. | | | |
| | D. | The allosteric site in non-competitive inhibition is blocked. | | | |

- **10.** During replication of the DNA lagging strand, which enzyme is responsible for removing RNA primers and replacing them with DNA?
 - A. Helicase
 - B. DNA polymerase I
 - C. DNA polymerase III
 - D. RNA primase
- 11. What is the correct site of anaerobic respiration in yeast and one of its end products?

| | Site | End product |
|----|-----------|----------------|
| A. | cytoplasm | pyruvate |
| B. | cytoplasm | ethanol |
| C. | matrix | lactate |
| D. | matrix | carbon dioxide |

- 12. What causes cyclic photophosphorylation to occur in photosynthesis?
 - A. Reduced NADP is accumulating in the stroma.
 - B. Photoactivation of photosystem II is inhibited.
 - C. Light-dependent reactions are slower than light-independent reactions.
 - D. ATP is not required for the Calvin cycle.

13. Which compound is inorganic?

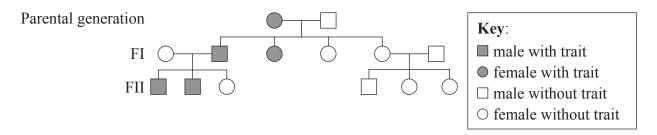
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C. H

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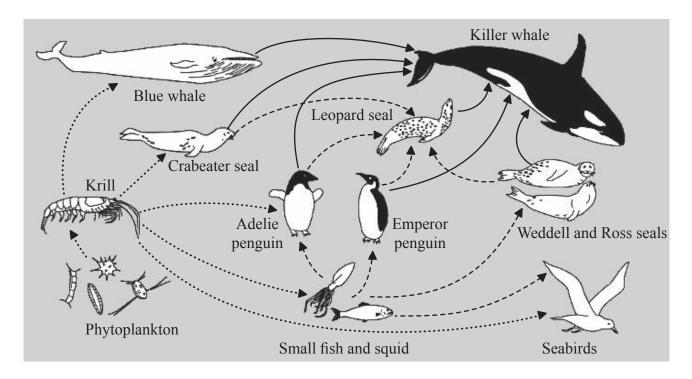
- 14. After chorionic villus sampling, how is the material processed for karyotyping?
 - A. DNA is fingerprinted.
 - B. Genes are photographed.
 - C. Alleles are compared.
 - D. Homologous chromosomes are paired.
- **15.** When could non-disjunction occur?
 - A. Prophase
 - B. Meiosis
 - C. Interphase
 - D. Cytokinesis

16. What are the genotypes of the parental generation?



- A. Male is homozygous dominant and female is homozygous recessive.
- B. Male is heterozygous and female is homozygous dominant.
- C. Male is homozygous recessive and female is homozygous dominant.
- D. Male is homozygous recessive and female is heterozygous.
- 17. If both parents are heterozygous for sickle-cell anemia (Hb^AHb^S), what percentage of their offspring will have a homozygous genotype?
 - A. 25
 - B. 50
 - C. 75
 - D. 0
- **18.** After gene transfer between species, what ensures that the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide made using the transferred gene remains unchanged?
 - A. The genetic code is semi-conservative.
 - B. The genetic code is degenerate.
 - C. The genetic code is universal.
 - D. The genetic code can be cloned.

19. What is the trophic level of the Leopard seal?



[Source: adapted from http://amurdoch.tripod.com/yr4/AntFoodWeb.JPG]

- I. Secondary consumer
- II. Tertiary consumer
- III. Quaternary consumer
- A. II only
- B. III only
- C. II and III only
- D. I, II and III

20. In ecology, how is community defined?

- A. Different species living and interacting with each other in a specific area.
- B. Different families cooperating with each other.
- C. A group of organisms of the same species who live in a specific area at the same time.
- D. A specific area in which a group of species normally live.

- **21.** On sites polluted with heavy metals, some grasses show tolerance to concentrations of those metals that are normally toxic. What explains this tolerance?
 - A. Grasses continually exposed to high doses of heavy metals mutate.
 - B. Rapid reproduction rate of grasses produces little genetic variation.
 - C. Grasses not killed by the heavy metals reproduce and pass on their genes.
 - D. Heavy metals become less toxic over time.
- **22.** What is the phylum of the organism?



[Source: adapted from http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Earthworm#mediaviewer/File:Earthworm.jpg]

- A. Porifera
- B. Cnidaria
- C. Platyhelminthes
- D. Annelida
- **23.** Colonic irrigation involves regularly flushing the large intestine with water. Why should this practice be avoided?
 - A. The large intestine absorbs water.
 - B. Vitamin-producing bacteria are eliminated.
 - C. It will stimulate the production of toxins.
 - D. Undigested remains of food are removed.

| 24 | 1. | How | has | the | transmission | of HIV | heen | reduced? |
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- A. Delaying the progression of HIV to AIDS
- B. Single use of disposable needles
- C. Treatment with antibiotics
- D. Vaccination

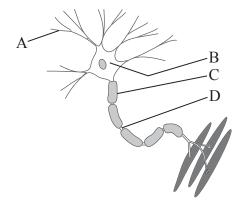
25. What is the difference between movement of the knee joint and hip joint?

- A. The knee only allows flexion whereas the hip allows flexion and extension.
- B. The knee allows more rotation than the hip.
- C. The knee is used to walk forwards whereas the hip is used for running around corners.
- D. The knee allows movement in one plane whereas the hip allows movement in three planes.

26. Which condition is associated with type II diabetes?

- A. A lack of beta cells in the pancreas
- B. Excess glucagon in the blood
- C. Obesity
- D. Early onset

27. The image shows a diagram of a motor neuron.

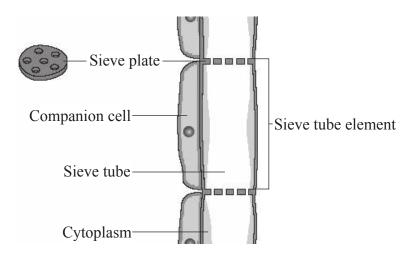


[Source: adapted from www.d.umn.edu/~jfitzake/Lectures/DMED/MotorControl/Organization/MotorUnit.jpg]

Which structure is correctly labelled in the diagram?

- A. Cell body
- B. Axon
- C. Dendrite
- D. Node of Ranvier
- **28.** Which describes the function of a nucleosome?
 - A. Connects the 5' to 3' linkages in nucleic acids.
 - B. Regulates the removal of exons during transcription.
 - C. Helps to supercoil the DNA molecule.
 - D. Synthesizes histone proteins during interphase.
- **29.** What level of protein structure stabilizes the three-dimensional conformation that contributes to an enzyme's specificity?
 - A. Primary
 - B. Secondary
 - C. Tertiary
 - D. Quaternary

- **30.** In a section of DNA separated during transcription, which complementary base pairing will occur on the antisense strand?
 - A. Cytosine and adenine
 - B. Adenine and thymine
 - C. Thymine and uracil
 - D. Uracil and adenine
- **31.** What is a characteristic of dicotyledonous plants?
 - A. Parallel venation
 - B. Floral organs in multiples of three
 - C. Tap roots with lateral branches
 - D. Random distribution of vascular tissue in the stem
- **32.** What is the role of the plant structure in the diagram?



[Source: adapted from http://www.mrcbiology.com]

- A. Carries water for the transpiration stream.
- B. Active translocation of sugars.
- C. Filters waste material from the light-independent reaction.
- D. Reduces turgor pressure in stems.

- **33.** What does the plant hormone auxin help to regulate?
 - A. Seed germination
 - B. Flowering
 - C. Phototropism
 - D. Reproduction in angiospermophytes
- **34.** A cross is performed including two linked genes.

If the genes are far enough apart for crossing over to occur between the genes, which of the offspring would be recombinants?

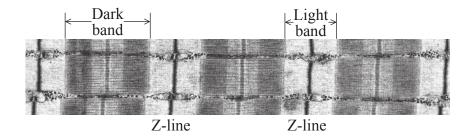
- I. AaBb
- II. Aabb
- III. aaBb
- A. I only
- B. I and II only
- C. II and III only
- D. I, II and III
- **35.** Which phenotypic variation results partly from polygenic inheritance in humans?
 - A. Skin colour
 - B. Hemophilia
 - C. Sex determination
 - D. Hair length

36. In a healthy individual, what would be the expected concentration of glucose in blood plasma, glomerular filtrate and urine?

| | Glucose concentration in blood plasma / mg 100 cm ⁻³ blood | Glucose concentration in glomerular filtrate / mg 100 cm ⁻³ blood | Glucose concentration in urine / mg 100 cm ⁻³ urine |
|----|---|--|--|
| A. | 100 | 100 | 0 |
| B. | 100 | 0 | 0 |
| C. | 100 | 50 | 50 |
| D. | 100 | 50 | 0 |

- **37.** What is the sequence of events in blood clotting after the platelets have been activated?
 - A. Thrombin to prothrombin which catalyses fibringen to fibrin.
 - B. Prothrombin to thrombin which catalyses fibringen to fibrin.
 - C. Fibrinogen to fibrin which catalyses thrombin to prothrombin.
 - D. Fibrinogen to fibrin which catalyses prothrombin to thrombin.
- **38.** What are fused together to produce monoclonal antibodies?
 - A. Antigens and tumour cells
 - B. Antibodies and hybridomas
 - C. B-cells and tumour cells
 - D. Antigens and hybridomas

39. What change(s) will occur when the muscle fibre contracts?



[Source: adapted from www.ks.uiuc.edu/Research/telethonin/MuscleL1.jpg]

- A. The dark band will decrease.
- B. The light band will decrease.
- C. The light band and dark band will both decrease.
- D. The Z-lines will decrease.

40. Which hormone is paired with one of its correct functions during pregnancy and birth?

| | Hormone | Function |
|----|--------------|--|
| A. | estrogen | maintains the corpus luteum in the ovary |
| B. | HCG | initiates uterine contractions |
| C. | oxytocin | promotes development of the placenta |
| D. | progesterone | maintains the endometrium |