



CHAPTER 1

STUDENT STUDY GUIDE TEST BANK

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Multiple Choice

- _____ 1. **What happens if organisms of different species mate?**
- A) They produce offspring that looks like either the mother or the father.
 - B) They produce hybrid progeny that die or that are sterile.
 - C) They produce hybrid progeny that have the strongest traits from each parent.
 - D) They produce offspring that are genotypically identical to one of the two parents.
- _____ 2. **Which of the following statements is incorrect? The genetic material must encode:**
- A) information that will never be used.
 - B) information usually not used to direct the functioning of cellular processes.
 - C) information that is transmissible from generation to generation.
 - D) information that is highly conserved and unable to mutate.
- _____ 3. **Frederick Griffith designed an experiment to prove that:**
- A) the R strain of *S. pneumoniae* was the deadly type.
 - B) the S strain of *S. pneumoniae* became transformed.
 - C) the genetic material can be transferred from a virus to a bacterium.
 - D) the genetic material can be transferred from one bacterial cell to another.
 - E) the genetic material is not protein but is instead DNA.
- _____ 4. **Griffith's 1928 experiment used bacteria of different strains, and:**
- A) the S strains of the bacteria formed colonies with rough surfaces.
 - B) the R strains of the bacteria caused pneumonia.
 - C) the S strains of the bacteria had capsules that evaded the immune system of the host.
 - D) the R strains of the bacteria had capsules that evaded the immune system of the host.

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- _____ 5. **In order to prove that DNA but not proteins are transferred to host cells during phage infection, Hershey and Chase used a _____ that incorporated its radioactive elements into the bacteria.**
- A) ^{32}P -labeled phage
 - B) ^{32}S -labeled phage
 - C) ^{35}P -labeled phage
 - D) ^{35}S -labeled phage
- _____ 6. **Just like a polypeptide chain, a DNA strand has a polarity, which means that:**
- A) it has a $-\text{COOH}$ to $-\text{NH}_2$ directionality.
 - B) it interacts well with other polar molecules.
 - C) its strands are antiparallel.
 - D) it has a 5' to 3' directionality.
- _____ 7. **During DNA replication:**
- A) a single DNA molecule gives rise to two identical molecules.
 - B) a single DNA molecule gives rise to an RNA molecule.
 - C) a single DNA molecule gives rise to two noncomplementary molecules.
 - D) two complementary DNA molecules create two noncomplementary DNA molecules.
- _____ 8. **If the sequence of nucleotides along the DNA strand is thought of as a string of letters on a piece of paper, then the genes could be envisioned as:**
- A) the letters by themselves.
 - B) special characters between the words.
 - C) distinct words that form sentences.
 - D) the spacing between the words.
- _____ 9. **A proper therapy for patients affected by PKU would be:**
- A) a blood transfusion.
 - B) a special diet.
 - C) a liver transplant.
 - D) phenylalanine supplements.
- _____ 10. _____ **identifies mutations that have defects in the same gene by bringing them together into the same cell.**
- A) A complementation test
 - B) A radioactive probe
 - C) Complementary strands
 - D) Deletions or additions of nucleotides

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_____ **11. Which of the following processes is irreversible?**

- A) Information flow from RNA to proteins
- B) Information flow from RNA to DNA
- C) Information flow from DNA to RNA
- D) The direction of DNA polymerase

_____ **12. Why is it believed that RNA was present in cells before DNA?**

- A) Because RNA not only contains informational content, but also acts as a go-between molecule between DNA and proteins
- B) Because RNA is shorter in size as compared to DNA, and therefore is simple and more motile
- C) Because RNA is single-stranded most of the time
- D) Because RNA is the genetic material of many viruses

_____ **13. In the case of the PAH mutation, where codon 408 in the PAH polypeptide chain is altered:**

- A) tryptophan is substituted for arginine, and the produced enzyme has less than 3 percent of the activity of the normal enzyme.
- B) tryptophan is substituted for arginine, and the produced enzyme has less than 30 percent of the activity of the normal enzyme.
- C) arginine is substituted for tryptophan, and the produced enzyme has less than 3 percent of the activity of the normal enzyme.
- D) arginine is substituted for tryptophan, and the produced enzyme has less than 30 percent of the activity of the normal enzyme.

_____ **14. Which of the following is not a principle structural difference between RNA and DNA?**

- A) The sugar-phosphate backbone contains ribose rather than deoxyribose.
- B) RNA contains the base uracil (U) instead of thymine (T).
- C) RNA usually exists as a single strand, although any particular molecule of RNA may contain short regions of complementary base pairs that can come together to form duplexes.
- D) The repeating unit of RNA consists of a sugar, a phosphate group, and one of the four bases, whereas in DNA it consists of a sugar, a phosphate group, and one of the five bases.

Short Answer

15. The scientist who discovered DNA in 1869 was _____.

16. There were doubts that DNA was the actual genetic material because it was believed that DNA lacked the chemical _____ needed to encode instructions necessary to build a simple cell or organism.

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17. In 1952, Hershey and Chase worked with *E. coli* infected by the virus T2. They demonstrated that the DNA, and not protein, was the genetic material in *E. coli* as well as in T2 _____.

18. Beadle and Tatum studied metabolic pathways in organisms in which one gene corresponds to _____.

19. _____ is a macromolecule that contains both informational content and catalytic activity.

20. The codon found in the _____ specifies the amino acid being added to a newly synthesized polypeptide chain.

21. One strand of a DNA duplex has the base sequence 5'-TGCACTTTACGCCAT-3'. The base sequence of the complementary strand is _____.

True or False

_____ 22. True or false? The number of chromosomes in each cell may differ among various biological species.

_____ 23. True or false? The amount and kind of chromosomal proteins differ greatly from cell type to cell type.

_____ 24. True or false? Avery, MacLeod, and McCarty showed that the substance causing the transformation of S cells into R cells was DNA.

_____ 25. True or false? In 1950, Watson and Crick proposed that the DNA of a dead bacterium can transform a healthy bacterial cell.

_____ 26. True or false? Complementary base pairing is essential for replication.

_____ 27. True or false? Cells are largely made of proteins, which are responsible for most of the cell's metabolic activities.

_____ 28. True or false? Alkaptonuria is a disease caused by errors of metabolism in which abnormal substances are secreted in urine.

_____ 29. True or false? The central dogma refers to the fact that proteins are products of information encoded in RNA using a DNA intermediate.

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30. In the following statements about double-stranded DNA, square brackets indicate the number of molecules. For example, [A] means the number of molecules of the base adenine, and [deoxyribose] means the number of molecules of 2' deoxyribose. Classify each of the statements as true or false.

_____ a. [A] = [G]

_____ b. [A] = [C]

_____ c. [A] = [T]

_____ d. [A] [G] = [T] [C]

_____ e. [deoxyribose] = [phosphate]

Essay

31. Is it correct to say that DNA is always the genetic material? Why?

32. Define the following terms: replication, transcription, translation, mutation, natural selection.

33. What is the main difference between transmission genetics and molecular genetics?

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Matching

34. Match the following macromolecules with their descriptions:

- _____ 1. Its monomers are amino acids and it can have a tertiary or quaternary structure
 - _____ 2. It has been discovered to have catalytic characteristics
 - _____ 3. It has a collection of 4 monomers, and it is double stranded
 - _____ 4. It can represent a protein
- a. DNA
 - b. Polypeptide chain
 - c. RNA
 - d. Proteins

35. Match the appropriate monomers with the corresponding macromolecules:

- _____ 1. Amino acid
 - _____ 2. Glycerol
 - _____ 3. Nucleotides
 - _____ 4. Monosaccharides
- a. Lipids
 - b. Polysaccharides
 - c. DNA
 - d. Proteins