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c) A is true but R is false.

d) A is false but R is true.

16. **Assertion (A):** Excessive inflation of the lungs is prevented by the Hering-Breuer reflex. [1]

Reason (R): On overstretching of the lungs, the stretch receptors send impulses along the vagus nerve to stimulate the expiratory centre.

a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.

b) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A.

c) A is true but R is false.

d) A is false but R is true.

Section B

17. Write one difference between mesophyll of dicot leaf and a monocot leaf. [2]

18. How does a gap junction facilitate intercellular communication? [2]

19. Comment hormones are called informational molecules. [2]

20. What is a taxon? [2]

21. What do you understand by biosynthetic phase of photosynthesis? [2]

OR

What is non-cyclic photophosphorylation?

Section C

22. Describe the important characteristics of gymnosperms. [3]

23. Differentiate between: [3]

a. Open and closed circulatory system

b. Oviparity and viviparity

c. Direct and indirect development

24. Differentiate between nucleosides and nucleotides. Give one example for each. [3]

25. Both animals and plants grow. Why do we say that growth and differentiation in plants is open and not so in animals? Does this statement hold true for sponges also? [3]

26. Write the difference between red and white muscles. [3]

27. What are SA and AV nodes? What are their functions? [3]

OR

Explain heart sounds.

28. Suppose for some reason ATP falls deficient in nerve fibre, how will it affect the conduction of nerve impulse through it? [3]

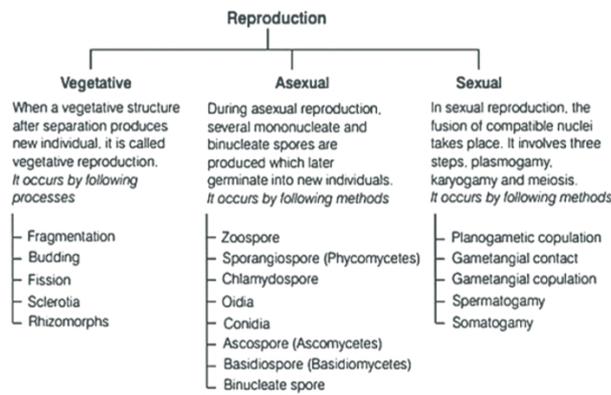
Section D

29. **Read the following text carefully and answer the questions that follow:** [4]

The fungi constitute a unique kingdom of heterotrophic organisms. They show a great diversity in morphology and habitat. Fungi are cosmopolitan and occur in air, water, soil, and on animals and plants. They prefer to grow in warm and humid places. Most fungi are heterotrophic and absorb soluble organic matter from dead substrates and hence are called saprophytes. When a fungus reproduces sexually, two haploid hyphae of compatible mating types come together and fuse. In some fungi, the fusion of two haploid cells immediately results in diploid cells (2n). The fungiform fruiting bodies in which reduction division occurs, leading to the formation of haploid

spores. Symbionts - in association with algae as lichens and with roots of higher plants as mycorrhiza.

Three types of reproduction occur in fungi



- i. Observe the given flow chart of reproduction and mention which steps involves in the sexual cycle of fungi. (1)
- ii. What is Rhizopus? Also, mention Rhizopus - wheat rush a correct match? (1)
- iii. What is Mycorrhiza? And mention its function. (2)

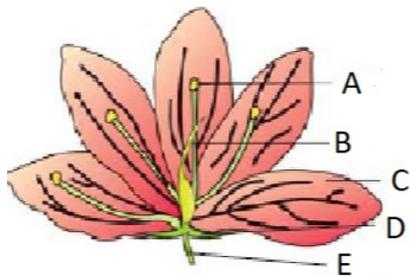
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In which form Fungi Stores Food Material? Do fungi have food vacuoles? (2)

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[4]

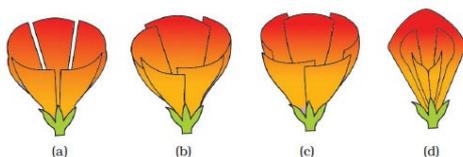
Each flower normally has four floral whorls, viz., calyx, corolla, androecium and gynoecium. The calyx is the outermost whorl of the flower and the members are called sepals. Corolla is composed of petals. Petals are usually brightly coloured to attract insects for pollination. The mode of arrangement of sepals or petals in floral bud with respect to the other members of the same whorl is known as aestivation. The main types of aestivation are valvate, twisted, imbricate. The shape and colour of corolla vary greatly in plants. Corolla may be tubular, bell-shaped, funnel-shaped or wheel-shaped and vexillary.



- i. Observe the given figure mentioned A, B, C and D. Also mention its function. Identify D and mention its example. (1)
- ii. Ganosepalous, Ganopetalous, Polysepalous, Polypetalous, Imbricate. (1)
- iii. What is Valvate and twisted aestivation? (2)

OR

Which of the following shows imbricate? Explain imbricate aestivation? (2)



Section E

31. What are the various stages of meiotic prophase-I? Enumerate the chromosomal events during each stage? [5]

OR

Comment on the statement - Meiosis enables the conservation of specific chromosome number of each species even

though the process per se, results in reduction of chromosome number.

32. Define and explain the process of fermentation in animals, yeast and bacteria. [5]

OR

Enumerate the assumptions that we have undertaken in making the respiratory balance sheet. Are these assumptions valid for a living system?

33. What structural and functional attributes must a cell have to be called a living cell? [5]

OR

Write the functions of the following

- i. Centromere
- ii. Cell wall
- iii. Smooth ER
- iv. Golgi Apparatus
- v. Centrioles

Solution

Section A

1. **(b) Both Plants and Animals**
Explanation: Since biology deals with both plants and animals, the international code of biological nomenclature is applied to both plants and animals. Hence, the correct option is Both plant and animals.
2. **(a) Pronephric**
Explanation: The adult human kidney is metanephric, the third and final excretory organ that develops in a vertebrate embryo. First embryonic tubules formed in vertebrates during embryonic development are pronephric.
3. **(c) Heteropolymers**
Explanation: Proteins are made of building blocks which are different. Proteins are heteropolymers made of amino acids.
4. **(d) Intrafascicular cambium**
Explanation: Intrafascicular Cambium is primary meristem. It develops from the procambium of the stem apex. It is located inside the open vascular bundles, between phloem and xylem patches.
5. **(a) Inspired air = Alveolar air**
Explanation: Respiration is a physiological process. Total lung capacity (TLC) includes vital capacity (VC) and residual volume. Cutaneous respiration is breathing via the skin.
6. **(b) cytochromes**
Explanation: Electrons become excited and jump into an orbit farther from the atomic nucleus. These electrons are picked up by an electron acceptor which passes them to an electrons transport of cytochrome.
7. **(d) 20.83%**
Explanation: Filtration fraction is the ratio of glomerular filtration rate (GFR) to the renal plasma flow (RPF). GFR of a normal human is 120 ml/min. so,
$$FF = \frac{GFR}{RPF} \times 100$$
$$= \frac{120}{600} \times 100 = 20\%.$$
8. **(d) RBCs and few proteins**
Explanation: The lymph is different from the blood. It is known as tissue fluid. Lymph is yellowish in colour as it lacks RBCs and few proteins.
9. **(b) Cytokinin**
Explanation: Cytokinins help overcome apical dominance. They promote nutrient mobilization which helps in the delay of leaf senescence.
10. **(c) Bryophytes**
Explanation: Bryophytes are called amphibians of the plant kingdom as they can grow in both land and water. Water is essential for the completion of the life cycle as they release antherozoids into the water where they come in contact with archegonium to produce a zygote.
11. **(d) Rohu**
Explanation: An ammonotelic organism excretes nitrogenous waste as soluble ammonia. Most of the aquatic animals

including protozoans, crustaceans, platyhelminths, cnidarians, poriferans, echinoderms, fishes, larvae/tadpoles of amphibians are ammonotelic. Rohu is a species of fish.

12.

(b) (A)

Explanation: Expiration is the release of carbon dioxide-rich air from the thoracic cavity. When the volume of air decreases and pressure increase the air from the chest moves out. This kind of pressure is called positive intrapulmonary pressure.

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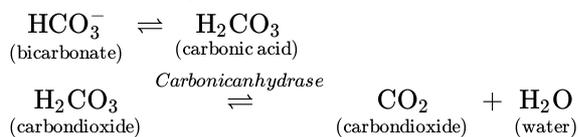
(c) A is true but R is false.

Explanation: The mycelium is multinucleate, aseptate (i.e. coenocytic) in Zygomycetes. The gametes are commonly multinucleate and are called coenogametes.

14.

(b) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A.

Explanation: Carbon dioxide is carried in the form of bicarbonates and carbamino haemoglobin in erythrocytes in blood. On reaching the lungs blood is oxygenated. Oxygenation of blood promotes the release of carbon dioxide from the blood in the lungs in two ways. Firstly, since oxyhaemoglobin is a stronger than deoxyhaemoglobin, therefore it donates H^+ which joins bicarbonates (HCO_3^-) to form carbonic acid (H_2CO_3). The latter is cleaved into water and carbon dioxide by carbonic anhydrase. Thus carbon dioxide is released from bicarbonate. Secondly, oxyhaemoglobin, can not holds as much carbon dioxide as deoxyhaemoglobin, therefore, oxygenation of hemoglobin simultaneously releases carbon dioxide from carbaminohaemoglobin.



15.

(c) A is true but R is false.

Explanation: Proenzyme is the inactive precursor of an enzyme. Many enzymes are initially produced in the proenzyme or zymogen state. They become reactive or active enzymes only at a particular pH, in the presence of substrate or some special treatment.

16.

(c) A is true but R is false.

Explanation: In the walls of bronchi and bronchioles stretch receptors are located and are stimulated by overstretching of the lungs. Nerve impulses are sent along the vagus nerve to inhibit the inspiratory area. The result is that expiration begins. Therefore, it is mainly a protective mechanism for preventing excessive inflation of the lungs.

Section B

17. In dicot leaves, mesophyll is differentiated into palisade and spongy parenchyma. In the case of monocot leaves, mesophyll is not differentiated and all cells are like spongy parenchyma.

18. Gap junctions are fine hydrophilic channels between two adjacent animal cells. These are formed with the help of two protein cylinders; called connexions. Gap junctions allow small signaling molecules to pass from one cell to another and thus they facilitate intercellular communication. Movement through gap junctions is controlled by pH and Ca^{2+} concentration.

19. Hormones are known as informational molecules because their synthesis takes place in one part of the body, i.e., the endocrine cells and are carried by the blood to another part of the body, i.e., target organ or tissues where they stimulate or inhibit the specific physiological processes according to the need of the body.

20. A taxon is a group of (one or more) organisms, which a taxonomist adjudges to be a unit.

Usually, a taxon is given a name and a rank, although neither is a requirement.

It is a level of hierarchy in biological classification. Example: Family is a taxa.

21. The next phase of photosynthesis after light reaction is the biosynthetic phase. In this, ATP and NADPH are used for synthesizing the food. CO_2 is fixed to form CO_2 fixation product. This stage is also called the dark phase as it is independent of light, but deals with the products of light reaction.

Since sugar is synthesized in this phase, it is also called as biosynthetic phase.

OR

It is the process of formation of ATP and NADPH, during which electron emitted by reaction centre P₇₀₀ is not returned to it but is substituted by the electron emitted by reaction centre P₆₈₀, which in turn gets the electron released by photolysis of water.

Section C

22. Characteristics of Gymnosperms:

The gymnosperms (gymnos: naked, sperma: seeds) are plants in which the ovules are not enclosed by any ovary wall and remain exposed, both before and after fertilization. The seeds that develop post-fertilization are not covered, i.e. are naked.

Gymnosperms include medium-sized trees or tall trees and shrubs.

The roots are generally tap roots. Roots in some genera have a fungal association in the form of mycorrhiza while in some others small specialized roots called coralloid roots are associated with N₂ fixing cyanobacteria.

The stems are unbranched (Cycas) or branched (Pinus, Cedrus).

The leaves may be simple or compound. In Cycas, the pinnate leaves persist for a few years. The leaves in gymnosperms are well adapted to withstand extremes of temperature, humidity and wind. In conifers, the needle-like leaves reduce the surface area.

Their thick cuticle and sunken stomata also help to reduce water loss.

23. a. In open circulatory system, blood flows in spaces called sinuses and cells and tissues are directly bathed in blood. In a closed circulatory system, blood flows through a network of vessels. Arthropods and molluscs have open circulatory system, while annelids and vertebrates have closed circulatory systems.
- b. In oviparity; animals lay eggs and young ones hatch from them after some time, e.g. reptiles, birds and some mammals. In viviparity; animals give birth to young ones, e.g. scoliodon and most of the mammals.
- c. When the young ones are different from adult animals; this case is called indirect development, e.g. frog, cockroach, silkworm, etc. When the young ones resemble the adult animal; this case is called direct development e.g. birds, mammals, reptiles, etc.

24.	Nucleoside	Nucleotide
	It is a compound formed by the combination of a nitrogen base with a pentose sugar.	It is a compound formed by the combination of a nitrogen base, pentose sugar, and a phosphate group.
	It is a component of a nucleotide.	Components of nucleic acids (formed by phosphorylation of a nucleoside).
	Slightly basic in nature.	Acidic in nature.
	e.g., guanosine, adenosine, etc.	e.g., guanylic acid, adenylic acid, etc.

25. In animals, once a particular type of tissue is formed it cannot change to any other tissue. Moreover, growth in all the organs stop after a certain age of the animal. On the contrary, growth in the plant is indeterminate because plants retain the capacity for unlimited growth throughout their life. A senescent part is usually replaced in plants. Differentiated cells undergo dedifferentiation in plants if a need arises.

Sponges are exceptions in the animal kingdom. A sponge shows an open type of growth.

26. **Red and White Muscles.** Muscle contains a red coloured oxygen storing pigment called myoglobin. Myoglobin content is high in some of the muscles which gives a reddish appearance. Such muscles are called the Red fibres. These muscles also contain plenty of mitochondria which can utilize the large amount of oxygen stored in them for ATP production. These muscles, therefore, can also be called aerobic muscles.

On the other hand, some of the muscles possess very less quantity of myoglobin and therefore, appear pale or whitish. These are the White fibres. Number of mitochondria are also few in them, but the amount of sarcoplasmic reticulum is high. They depend on anaerobic process for energy.

27. **SA-Node.** It is a pacemaker located at the right wall of right auricle/atrium. Its full name is a **sinoatrial node**.

AV-Node. It is a pacesetter located at the junction of auricle and ventricle. Its full name is an **auriculoventricular node**.

Functions of SA-Node:

- i. Cardiac impulse originates in it.
- ii. It determines the rate of heartbeat.

Function of AV-Node:

- i. The Cardiac impulse passes to the AV bundle through the AV Node.
- ii. Its branches called purkinje fibres conduct impulses to ventricles.

OR

The heart sounds are the noises (sound) generated by the beating heart and the resultant flow of blood through it. This is also called a heartbeat. In cardiac auscultation, an examiner uses a stethoscope to listen for these sounds, the heartbeat sounds like bassdrum, which provide important information about the condition of the heart.

In healthy adults, there are two normal heart sounds often described as a lub and a dub (or dup), that occur in sequence with each heart beat. These are the first heart sound (S1) and second heart sound (S2), produced by the closing of the AV valves and semilunar valves respectively. In addition to these normal sounds, a variety of other sounds may be present including heart murmurs, adventitious sounds, and gallop rhythms 33 and 54.

28. Each neuron has a million or so **ATP powered Na⁺ - K⁺ exchange pumps** built into the plasma membrane which enables it to keep conducting action potentials indefinitely. If for some reason ATP falls deficient in nerve fibre, the conduction of nerve impulse is greatly affected. It will affect the amplitude and frequency of nerve impulse and action potential.

Section D

29. i. **The sexual cycle of fungi involves the following steps :**
- The fusion of protoplasts between two motile or non-motile gametes is called plasmogamy.
 - The fusion of two nuclei is called karyogamy.
 - Meiosis in zygote results in haploid spores.
- ii. Rhizopus is a fungus that reproduces by spore formation.
No, Rhizopus - wheat rust is not a correct match.
- iii.
 - Mutualistic associations between fungi and plant roots are called mycorrhizae.
 - Fungi that form mycorrhizal (mycorrhizal fungi) can deliver inorganic nutrients such as phosphate.
 - In exchange, the plants supply the fungi with organic nutrients.

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Fungi store food in the form of glycogen, along with oil bodies.

Plants, protists, mammals, and fungi all have vacuoles in their cells. Food vacuoles are sacs enclosed by a membrane and have a digestive function.

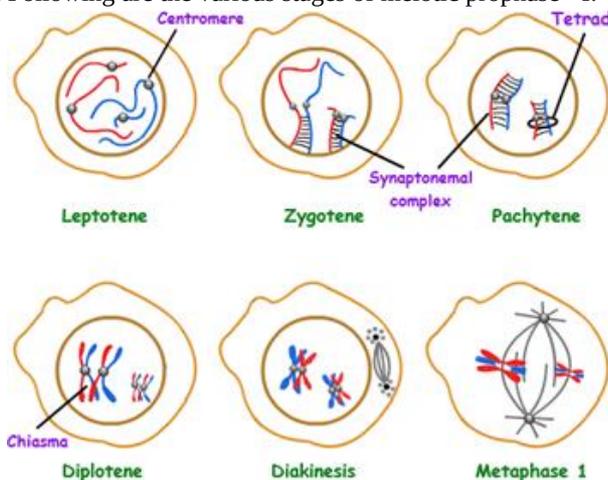
30. i. **A-androecium, B-gynoecium, C-corolla, D-calyx**
- Androecium:** It contains pollen grains, which are responsible for reproduction in the male part of the plant.
- Gynoecium:** It holds ovary, which is transformed into fruit after fertilization.
- Corolla:** The corolla promotes pollination and protects the reproductive organs.
- Calyx:** The main function of the calyx is to protect the floral shoot during the bud stage.
- ii.
 - Ganosepalous:** Plants with many fused sepals are known as Gamosepalous. Eg, Hibiscus, Periwinkle, etc.
 - Polypetalous:** Polysepalous plants are also categorized based on sepals. Eg, Rose, Southern magnolia, etc.
- iii.
 - When the margins of the petals are in contact with each other without overlapping, it is called **valvate aestivation**. For example, Calotropis.
 - Contoured or **twisted aestivation** occurs when the margin of one petal overlaps the margin of the next. Example - Hibiscus.

OR

Figure (c), Imbricate aestivation occurs when the margins of sepals or petals overlap without a clear direction. There is an irregular overlapping of petals by each other in this type of aestivation.

Section E

31. Following are the various stages of meiotic prophase - I:



- i. **Leptotene:** During this stage, chromosomes become gradually visible under the light microscope. The compaction of the chromosome continues through this stage. The sister chromatids are so tightly bound that one cannot be differentiated from another.
- ii. **Zygotene:** At this stage, chromosomes start forming pairs. This process is called synapsis. Formation of synapsis is accompanied by the formation of synaptonemal complex. Each pair is called a bivalent or tetrad.
- iii. **Pachytene:** At this stage, the bivalent chromosomes become distinct. Recombination nodules appear on the tetrads. The recombination nodule is the site at which crossing over takes place. Crossing over takes place between non-sister chromatids of homologous chromosomes. Crossing over facilitates the exchange of genes between two homologous chromosomes.
- iv. **Diplotene:** At this stage, the synaptonemal complex gets dissolved. The recombined chromosomes begin to separate from each other. But they are attached at the site of crossing over. This makes an X-shaped structure called chiasmata.
- v. **Diakinesis:** Chiasmata is terminated at this stage. The nucleolus disappears and so does the nuclear membrane.

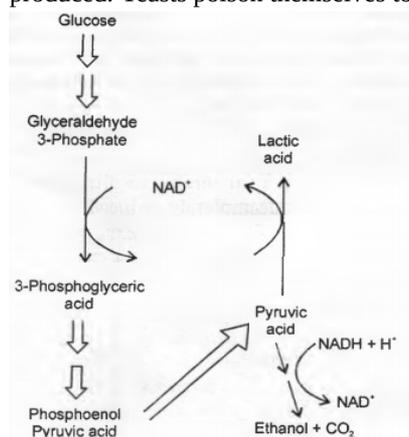
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Meiosis is called reduction division because the number of chromosomes in daughter cells becomes half of the number of chromosomes in mother cells. In spite of this, meiosis enables the conservation of specific chromosome number of each species. In fact, had there been no meiosis, organisms would not have been able to evolve to sexual mode of reproduction. We know that fertilization involves fusion of male and female gametes. Thus, zygote gets the chromosome pool from two cells and the number of chromosomes in a zygote becomes double that of the gametes. To ensure conservation of specific chromosome number after fertilization, it is necessary that the gametes should have half the number of chromosomes compared to what it is in somatic cells.

32. **Fermentation:** It occurs in some organisms like some **bacteria** that produce lactic acid from pyruvic acid.

In animal cells, such as muscles during exercise, when O_2 is inadequate for cellular exercise, the pyruvic acid is reduced to lactic acid by **lactate dehydrogenase**. **Reducing agent** is $NADH + H^+$ that is reoxidized to NAD^+ in both processes.

In both **lactic acid** and **alcohol fermentation** not much energy is released; less than seven percent of the energy in glucose released and not all of it is trapped as high energy bonds of ATP. The processes are hazardous: either the acid or alcohol is produced. Yeasts poison themselves to death when the concentration of alcohol reaches the app. 13%.



OR

Respiratory Balance Sheet: Some assumptions in preparing respiratory balance sheet are :

- i. None of the **intermediates** produced in this pathway is used to make any other compound.
- ii. Only glucose is being respired—no other alternative substrates enter in the pathway at any of intermediary stages in any case.
- iii. There seems to be a **sequential, orderly pathway** that is functioning, with a single **substrate** forming next as well as with glycolysis. Krebs's cycle and ETS pathway following one after the other pathway.
- iv. **NADH synthesised in glycolysis** transferred to mitochondria; it undergoes oxidative phosphorylation also.

This assumption is not really valid in a living system since all the pathways work simultaneously; moreover, the substrates enter pathways and also are withdrawn from the pathways as and when required; ATP used when needed and enzymes control the reactions also. It is only useful in the extraction and storing energy; there is a net gain of 36 ATP mols in aerobic respiration for one mol of glucose.

33. A cell must have the following structural and functional attributes to be called a living cell:

- i. **Plasma Membrane:** A cell should have a plasma membrane. Without the plasma membrane, the contents of the cell cannot get a container and cells won't be able to maintain its independent existence.
- ii. **Functional Attributes of Plasma Membrane:** The plasma membrane should be selectively permeable so as to facilitate the exchange of materials between the cell and its environment.

- iii. **Protoplasm:** A cell must have a protoplasm to be called a living cell. It is the protoplasm which contains all the materials necessary for life to continue. If protoplasm dries up, the cell becomes dead; as in the case of sclerenchymatous cells.
- iv. **Endoplasmic Reticulum:** Endoplasmic reticulum is necessary for the exchange of materials between nucleoplasm and cytoplasm. It is also necessary for the synthesis of various materials; like protein and lipid. Thus, a cell must have an ER to be considered a living cell.

Mitochondria are not mandatory for all living cells. For example; Red Blood Cells do not have mitochondria yet they are living cells. The prokaryotes do not have mitochondria but they are living cells.

The nucleus is not mandatory for all living cells. For example; mitochondria lack a nucleus. Similarly, prokaryotic cells lack a nucleus. Another important aspect of cells is that a cell is always formed from a pre-existing cell; as proposed in the Cell Theory.

OR

- i. Facilitates proper segregation of chromosomes.
- ii. It provides structural rigidity to the plant cells. Plants cells need to be rigid because they cannot run for safety in case of any natural stress; unlike animals.
- iii. Smooth ER facilitates the synthesis of lipids, metabolism of carbohydrates, regulation of calcium concentration and drug detoxification.
- iv. Golgi apparatus is involved in the packaging of various substances that are manufactured in the endoplasmic reticulum.
- v. They form the basal bodies of cilia and flagella and thus play an important role in the motility of certain cells. They also play an important role in cell division by forming asters. The aster as spindle pole during cell division.