



# BIOLOGY

## BOOKS - NEET PREVIOUS YEAR (YEARWISE + CHAPTERWISE)

### MOLECULAR BASIS OF INHERITANCE

#### Exercise

1. If there are 999 bases in RNA that codes for a protein with 333 amino acids, and the base

at position 901 is deleted such that the length of the RNA becomes 998 bases, how many codons will be altered

A. 1

B. 11

C. 33

D. 333

**Answer: C**



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2. The final proof for DNA as the genetic material came from the experiments of

A. Griffith

B. Hershey and Chase

C. Avery, MacLeod and McCarty

D. Hargobind Khorana

**Answer: B**



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3. The association of histone H1 with a nucleosome indicates

A. transcription is occurring

B. DNA replication is occurring

C. the DNA is condensed into chromatin fibre

D. the DNA double helix is exposed

**Answer: C**



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4. Spliceosomes are not found in cell of

A. plants

B. fungi

C. animals

D. bacteria

**Answer: D**



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5. DNA replication in bacteria occurs

- A. during S- phase
- B. within nucleolus
- C. prior to fission
- D. just before transcription

**Answer: C**



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**6.** Which of the following RNAs should be most abundant in animal cell

A. rRNA

B. tRNA

C. mRNA

D. miRNA

**Answer: A**



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7. Which one of the following is the starter codon ?

A. UGA

B. UAA

C. UAG

D. AUG

**Answer: D**



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8. A complex of attached to a single of RNA is known as

A. Polymer

B. polypeptide

C. okazaki fragment

D. polysome

**Answer: D**



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9. Which of the following is not required for any of the techniques of DNA fingerprinting available at present

- A. Zinc finger analysis
- B. Restriction enzymes
- C. DNA - DNA hybridisation
- D. Polymerase chain reaction

**Answer: A**



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**10.** Which of the following is required as inducer(s) for the expression of Lac operon

A. galactose

B. lactose

C. lactose and galactose

D. glucose

**Answer: B**



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11. DNA-dependent RNA polymerase catalyzes transcription on one strand of the DNA which is called the :

A. template strand

B. coding strand

C. alpha strand

D. anti strand

**Answer: A**



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12. A molecule that can act as a genetic material must fulfill the traits give below, except :

A. it should be able to express itself in the form of Mendelian characters

B. it should be able to genetate its replica

C. it should be unstable structurally and chemically

D. it should provide the scope for slow changes that are required for evolution

**Answer: C**



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**13.** Which of the following r-RNAs acts as structural RNA as well as ribosome in bacteria ?

A. 5srRNA

B. 18srRNA

C. 23srRNA

D. 58srRNA

**Answer: C**



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**14.** One functional unit of gene which specifies synthesis of one polypeptide is known as

Or

The equivalent of a structural gene

A. muton

B. cistron

C. operon

D. recon

**Answer: B**



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**15.** Taylor conducted the experiment to prove semiconservative mode of chromosomereplication on :

A. Vinca rosea

B. Vicia faba



C. *Drosophila melanogaster*

D. *E. coli*

**Answer: B**



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**16.** which one of the following is not applicable to RNA

A. Complementary base pairing

B. 5' phosphory and 3' hydroxy ends

C. Heterocyclic nitrogenous bases

D. Chargaff's rule

**Answer: D**



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**17.** Identify the correct order of organisation of genetic material from largest to smallest :

A. Chromosome , gene , genome ,  
nucleotide

B. Genome , chromosome , nucleotide gene

C. Genome , chromosome , gene ,  
nucleotide

D. Chromosome , genome , nucleotide ,  
gene

**Answer: C**



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**18.** Satellite DNA is important because it

- A. codes for proteins needed in cell cycle
- B. show high degree of polymorphism in population and also the same degree of polymorphism in an individual, which is heritable from parents to children
- C. does not code for proteins and is same in all members of the population
- D. codes for enzymes needed for DNA replication

**Answer: B**



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19. Which one of the following is wrongly matched ?

A. Transcription - Writing information from  
DNA to tRNA

B. Translation - Using information in mRNA  
to make protein

C. Repressor protein - Binds to operator to  
stop enzyme synthesis

D. Operon - Structural genes, operator and promoter

**Answer: A**



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**20.** Transformation was discovered by

A. Meselson and Stahl

B. Hershey and Chase

C. Griffith

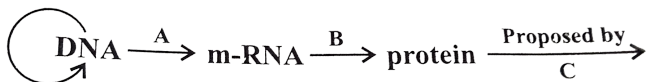
D. Wastson and Crick

**Answer: C**



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**21.** The diagram shows an important concept in the genetic implicatio of DNA. Fill in the blanks A to C.



A. A- transcription , B - replication, C- James

Waston

B. A- translation , B- transcription, C- Erwin

Chargaff

C. A- transcription , B - translation , C -

Francis Crick

D. A- translation , B - extension , C -

Rosalind Franlin

**Answer: C**



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22. Which enzyme/s will be produced in a cell in which there is a nonsense mutation in the lac Y gene

- A.  $\beta$  - galactosidase
- B. Lactose permease
- C. Transacetylase
- D. Lactose permease and transacetylase

**Answer: A**



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23. Removal of RNA polymerase III from nucleoplasm will affect the synthesis of

Or Eukaryotic RNA Polymerase III catalyse the synthesis of

A. tRNA

B. hnRNA

C. mRNA

D. rRNA

**Answer: A**



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**24.** Which one of the following is not a part of transcription unit in DNA

- A. The inducer
- B. A terminator
- C. A promoter
- D. The structural gene

**Answer: A**



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**25. Ribosomal RNA is synthesised in**

A. lysosomes

B. nucleolus

C. nucleoplasm

D. ribosomes

**Answer: B**



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**26.** If one strand of DNA has the nitrogenous base sequence as ATCTG, what would be the complementary RNA strand sequence ?

A. TTAGU

B. UAGAC

C. AACTG

D. ATCGU

**Answer: B**



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**27.** Removal of introns and joining of exons in a defined order during transcription is called :

A. looping

B. inducing

C. slicing

D. splicing

**Answer: D**



**28.** The structure in chromatin seen as 'beads-on-string' when viewed under electron microscope are called

- A. Genes
- B. Nucleotides
- C. Nucleosomes
- D. Base pairs

**Answer: C**





**29.** Select the two correct statements out of the four (1-4) given below about lac operon.

1. Glucose or galactose may bind with the repressor and inactivate it
2. In the absence of lactose the repressor binds with the operator region
3. The z-gene codes for permease
4. This was elucidated Francois Jacob and Jacques Monod

The correct statements are :



A. I and III

B. I and III

C. II and IV

D. I and II

**Answer: C**



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**30. What is not true for genetic code ?**

- A. A codon in m RNA is read in a non -  
contiguous fashion
- B. It is nealry universal
- C. It is degenerate
- D. It is unambiguous

**Answer: A**



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**31.** Whose experiments cracked the DNA and discovered unequivocally that a genetic code is a triplet ?

A. Nirenberg and Mattaei

B. Hershey and Chase

C. Morgan and Sturtevant

D. Beadle and Tatum

**Answer: A**



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**32. Polysome is formed by**

A. several ribosomes attached to a single mRNA

B. many ribosomes attached to a strand of endoplasmic reticulum

C. a ribosome with several subunits

D. ribosomes attached to each other in a liner arrangement

**Answer: A**

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**33.** Which one of the following pairs of codons is correctly matched with their function or the signal for the particular amino acid ?

A. GUU , GCU - Alanine

B. UAG , UGA - Stop

C. AUG , ACG - Start/ methionine

D. UUA, UCA - Leucine

**Answer: B**



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**34.** A sequential expression of a set of human genes occurs when a steroid molecule binds to the

A. transfer RNA

B. messenger RNA

C. DNA sequence

D. ribosome

**Answer: C**



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**35.** One gene - one enzyme relationship was established for the first time on

- A. *Neurospora crassa*
- B. *Salmonella typhimurium*
- C. *Escherichia coli*
- D. *Diplococcus pneumoniae*

**Answer: A**



**36.** The Okazaki fragments in DNA chain growth

A. result in transcription

B. polymerise in the 3' to 5' direction and form replication fork

C. prove semi - conservative nature of DNA replication



D. polymerase in the 5' to 3' direction and  
explain 3' to 5' DNA replication

**Answer: A**



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**37.** Differentiation of organs and tissues in a  
developing organism, is associated with

A. developmental mutations

B. differential expression of genes

C. lethal mutations

D. deletion of gene

**Answer: B**



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**38.** The length of DNA molecule greatly exceeds the dimensions of the nucleus in eukaryotic cell. How is this DNA accommodated

A. Deletion of non - essential gene

B. Super - coiling in nucleosomes

C. DNase digestion

D. Through elimination of repetitive DNA

**Answer: B**



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**39.** Molecular basis of organ differentiation depends on the modulation in transcription by

A. RNA polymerase

B. ribosome

C. transcription factor

D. anticodon

**Answer: C**



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**40.** Telemere repetitive DNA sequences control the function of eukarote chromosomes because they

- A. act as replicons
- B. are RNA transcription initiator
- C. help chromosome pairing
- D. prevent chromosomes loss

**Answer: D**



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**41.** "One gene one enzyme" theory was proposed by

A. R Franklin

B. Harshey and Chase

C. A Garrod

D. Beadle and Tatum

**Answer: D**



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**42.** Amino acid sequence, in protein synthesis is decided by the sequence of

A. tRNA

B. mRNA

C. cRNA

D. rRNA

**Answer: B**



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**43.** Which one of the following makes use of RNA as a template to synthesize DNA ?

A. Reverse transcriptase

B. DNA dependant RNA polymerase

C. DNA polymerase

D. RNA polymerase

**Answer: A**



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**44.** Which one of the following hydrolyses internal phosphodiester, bonds in a polynucleotide chain



A. Lipase

B. Exonuclease

C. Endonuclease

D. Protease

**Answer: C**



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**45.** During transcription holoenzyme RNA polymerase binds to a DNA sequence and the

DNA assumes a saddle like structure at that point. What is that sequence called ?

A. CAAT box

B. GGTT box

C. AAAT box

D. TATA box

**Answer: D**



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**46.** Telomerase is an enzyme which is a

- A. repetitive DNA
- B. RNA
- C. simple protein
- D. ribonucleoprotein

**Answer: D**



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47. During replication of a bacterial chromosome DNA synthesis starts from a replication origin site and

- A. RNA primer are involved
- B. is facilitated by telomerase
- C. moves in one direction of the site
- D. moves in bi- directional way

**Answer: A**



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**48.** After a mutation at a genetic locus the character of an organism changes due to the change in :

- A. protein structure
- B. DNA replication
- C. protein synthesis pattern
- D. RNA transcription pattern

**Answer: A**



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**49.** The telomeres of eukaryotic chromosomes consist of short sequences of

A. thymine rich repeats

B. cytosine rich repeats

C. adenine rich repeats

D. guanine rich repeats

**Answer: D**



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50. The following ratio is generally constant for a given species

A.  $A+G/C+T$

B.  $T+C/G+A$

C.  $G+C/A+T$

D.  $A+C/T+G$

**Answer: C**



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51. During transcription, if the nucleotide sequence of the DNA strand that is being coded is ATACG, then the nucleotide sequence in the m RNA would be

A. TATGC

B. TCTGG

C. UAUGC

D. UATGG

**Answer: C**



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52. DNA fingerprinting refers to

A. molecular analysis or profiles of DNA samples

B. analysis of DNA samples using imprinting device

C. techniques used for molecular analysis of different specimens of DNA

D. techniques used for identification of  
finger - prints of individuals

**Answer: A**



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**53.** What does "lac" refer to in what we call the  
lac operon ?

A. Lac insect

B. The number , 1,00,000

C. Lactose

D. Lactase

**Answer: C**



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**54.** During transcription, the site of DNA molecule at which RNA polymerase binds is called

A. receptor

B. enhancer

C. promoter

D. regulator

**Answer: C**



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**55.** chromosomes in a bacterial cell can be 1-3  
in number and :

- A. can be either circular or linear, but never both within the same cell
- B. can be circular as well as linear within the same cell
- C. are always circular
- D. are always linear

**Answer: C**



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**56.** In the genetic code dictionary, how many codons are used to code for all the 20 essential amino acids ?

A. 61

B. 60

C. 20

D. 64

**Answer: A**



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**57.** What would happen if in a gene encoding a polypeptide of 50 amino acids, 25<sup>th</sup> codon (UAU) is mutated to UAA?

A. A polypeptide of 49 amino acids will be formed

B. A polypeptide of 25 amino acids will be formed

C. A polypeptide of 24 amino acids will be formed

D. Two polypeptides of 24 and 25 amino acids will be formed

**Answer: C**



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**58.** Degeneration of a genetic code is attributed to the :

A. entire codon

B. third member of a codon



C. first member of a codon

D. seconds member of a codon

**Answer: B**



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**59.** During translation initiation in prokaryotes, a GTP molecule is needed in :

A. association of 30S , mRNA with formly met tRNA<sup>0</sup>

B. association of 50S subunit of ribosome  
with initiation complex

C. formation of formyl met tRNA

D. binding of 30S subunit of ribosome with  
mRNA

**Answer: A**



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**60.** Which one of the following triplet codes, is correctly matched with its specificity for an amino acid in protein synthesis or as 'start' or 'stop' codon ?

A. UGU - Leucine

B. UAC- Tyrosine

C. UCG- Start

D. UUU - Stop

**Answer: B**



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**61.** Exon part of m- RNA code for

- A. protein
- B. lipid
- C. carbohydrate
- D. phospholipid

**Answer: A**



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**62.** Which of the following reunites the exon segments after RNA splicing ?

A. RNA polymerase

B. RNA primase

C. RNA ligase

D. RNA protease

**Answer: C**



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**63.** Nucleus of a donor embryonal cell/ somatic cell is transferred to a an enucleated egg cell. Then after the formation of organism , what shall be true ?

- A. Organism will have extra - nuclear genes of the donor cell
- B. Organism will have extra - nuclear genes of recipient cell
- C. Organism will have extra - nuclear genes of both donor and recipient cell

D. Organism will have nuclear genes of recipient cell

**Answer: B**



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**64.** Which statements is correct for bacterial transduction ?

A. Transfer of some genes from one bacteria to another bacteria through

virus

B. Transfer of genes from one bacteria to another bacteria by conjugation

C. Bacteria obtained its DNA directly

D. Bacteria obtained DNA from other external source

**Answer: A**



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**65.** In DNA percentage of thymine is 20, then what is the percentage of guanine ?

A. 20 %

B. 40 %

C. 30 %

D. 60 %

**Answer: C**



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**66.** Jacob and Monod studied lactose metabolism in *E. coli* and proposed operon concept which is applicable for all :

- A. all prokaryotes
- B. all prokaryotes and some eukaryotes
- C. all prokaryotes and all eukaryotes
- D. all prokaryotes and some protozoans

**Answer: B**



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**67.** In E.coli during lactose metabolism, repressor binds to :

A. regulator gene

B. operator gene

C. structural gene

D. promoter gene

**Answer: B**



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**68.** Sequence of which of the following is used to know the phylogeny ?

A. mRNA

B. rRNA

C. tRNA

D. DNA

**Answer: B**



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**69.** In negative operon

A. co -repressor binds with repressor

B. co- repressor does not bind with  
repressor

C. co- repressor binds with inducer

D. cAMP has negative effect on lac operon

**Answer: A**



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**70.** In which direction mRNA is synthesised on DNA template ?

A.  $5' \rightarrow 3'$

B.  $3' \rightarrow 5'$

C. Both (a) and (b)

D. Any of above

**Answer: A**



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71. Gene and cistron words are sometimes used synonymously because

- A. one cistron contains many genes
- B. one gene contains many cistrons
- C. one gene contains one cistron
- D. one gene contains no cistron

**Answer: C**



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72. E. coli about to replicate was placed in a medium containing radioactive thymidine for five minutes . Then it was made to replicate in a normal medium . Which of the following observation shall be correct ?

A. Both the strands of DNA will be radioactive

B. One strand radioactive

C. Each strand half radioactive

D. None is radioactive



**Answer: B**



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**73.** Due to discovery of which of the following in 1980 ' s the evolution was termed as RNA world ?

- A. mRNA , tRNA , rRNA synthesise proteins
- B. In some viruses , RNA is genetic material
- C. Some RNAs have enzymatic property
- D. RNA is not found in all cells

**Answer: C**



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**74.** Who proposed the 'Signal hypothesis' meant for the biosynthesis of secretory type of proteins

- A. Camillo Golgi
- B. Blobel and Sabatini
- C. Baltimore
- D. Sheeler and Bianchi

**Answer: B**



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**75.** During replication of DNA , its two strands separate. Each of these serves as a template for the formation of new strands . Such type of replication is called

A. non - conservative

B. semi - conservative

C. flexible

D. conservative

**Answer: B**



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**76.** The Pneumococcus experiment proves that

A. DNA is the genetic material

B. RNA sometime controls the production  
of DNA and proteins

C. bacteria undergo binary fission

D. bacteria do not reproduce sexually

**Answer: A**



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**77.** In DNA when AGCT occurs , their association is as per which of the following pairs ?

A. ACGT

B. AGCT

C. ATGC

D. All of these

**Answer:**



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**78.** DNA parts which can switch their position are

A. exons

B. introns

C. cistrons

D. transposons

**Answer: D**



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**79.** Genes that are involved in turning on or off the transcription of set of structural genes are called Or Functioning of structural genes is controlled by

A. polymorphic genes

B. operator genes

C. reductant genes

D. regulatory genes

**Answer: D**



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**80.** Protein synthesis in an animal cell, takes place



A. only in the cytoplasm

B. in the nucleolus as well as in the  
mitochondria

C. in the cytoplasm as well as in  
mitochondria

D. only on ribosomes attached to a  
nucleus

**Answer: C**



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**81.** Which of the following RNAs up specific amino acid (from amino acid pool) in the cytoplasm to ribosome during protein synthesis

Or Which form of RNA has a structure resebling clover leaf

A. mRNA

B. tRNA

C. rRNA

D. RNA

**Answer: B**



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**82.** The three codons which result in the termination of polypeptide chain synthesis are

A. TAG , TAA , TGA

B. GAT, AAT , AGT

C. AGT , TAG , UGA

D. UAA , UAG , UGA

**Answer: D**



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**83.** Genes are packed in bacterial chromosome by

- A. histones
- B. basic protein
- C. acidic protein
- D. actin

**Answer: B**



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**84.** An enzyme that joins the ends of two strands of nucleic acids is a

A. polymerase

B. synthetase

C. helicase

D. ligase

**Answer: D**



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**85. Okazaki fragments are seen during**

A. transcription

B. translation

C. replication

D. transduction

**Answer: C**



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**86.** Triplet for inhibiting process of translation is

A. UAU

B. UAA

C. UAC

D. UGC

**Answer: B**



**87.** The basis of DNA fingerprinting is :

- A. occurrence of Restriction Fragment Length Polymorphism (RFLP)
- B. phenotypic differences between individuals
- C. availability of cloned DNA
- D. knowledge of human karyotype

**Answer: A**





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**88.** In eukaryotic genes, coding sequences are called :

A. introns

B. operons

C. exons

D. cistrons

**Answer: C**



**89.** If the sequences of bases in DNA is ATTCGATG, then the sequence of bases in its transcript will be

A. CAUCGAAU

B. UAAGCUAC

C. GUAGCUUA

D. AUUCGAUG

**Answer: B**





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**90.** Anticodon is an unpaired triplet of bases in an exposed position of

A. mRNA

B. rRNA

C. tRNA

D. sRNA

**Answer: C**



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91. The wild type *E. coli* cells are growing in normal medium with glucose. They are transferred to a medium containing only lactose as sugar. Which of the following changes take place ?

A. The lac operon is repressed

B. All operons are induced

C. The lac operon is induced

D. *E. coli* cells stop dividing

**Answer: C**



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**92.** Which is not directly involved in protein synthesis ?

A. Transcription

B. Initiation

C. Elongation

D. Termination

**Answer: A**



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**93.** There are special proteins that help to open up DNA double helix in front of the replication fork. These proteins are

- A. DNA gyrase
- B. DNA polymerase -I
- C. DNA ligase
- D. topoisomerases

**Answer: A**



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**94.** DNA template sequence of CTGATAGC is transcribed over mRNA as

A. GUCTUTCG

B. GACUAUCG

C. GAUTATUG

D. UACTATCU

**Answer: B**



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**95.** In *Escherichia coli*, lac operon is induced by  
:

A. lactose

B. promoter gene

C.  $\beta$  - galactosidase

D. I- gene



**Answer: A**



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**96. Reverse transcriptase is :**

- A. RNA dependent RNA polymerase
- B. DNA dependant RNA polymerase
- C. DNA dependent RNA polymerase
- D. RNA dependent DNA polymerase

**Answer: D**



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**97.** The number of base substitution possible in amino acid codons is

A. 261

B. 264

C. 535

D. 549

**Answer: D**



**98.** The codon for the initiation of protein synthesis in eukaryotes is :

A. GUA

B. GCA

C. C CA

D. AUG

**Answer: D**



**99.** Nucleosome core is made of :

A. H1 , H2A , H2B and H3

B. H1 , H2A , H2B and H4

C.

D. H1 , H2A, H2B, H3 and H4

**Answer: D**



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**100.** A DNA with unequal nitrogen bases would most probably be

- A. single stranded
- B. double stranded
- C. triple stranded
- D. four stranded

**Answer: A**



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**101.** The process of translation is :

A. ribosome synthesis

B. protein synthesis

C. DNA synthesis

D. RNA synthesis

**Answer: B**



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**102.** During DNA replication, the strands separate by

- A. DNA polymerase
- B. topoisomerase
- C. unwindase/ helicase
- D. gyrase

**Answer: C**



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**103.** Who proved that DNA is the basic genetic material ?

A. Griffith

B. Waston

C. Boveri and Sutton

D. Hershey and Chase

**Answer: D**



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**104.** some amino acids are coded by more than one codon, hence the genetic code is

A. overlapping

B. wobbling

C. degenerate

D. generate

**Answer: C**



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**105.** Nucleotide arrangement in DNA can be seen by

- A. X - ray crystallography
- B. electron microscope
- C. ultracentrifuge
- D. light microscope

**Answer: A**



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**106.** The transforming principle of Griffith's experiment was DNA. Avery, MacLeod and McCarty was :

A. mRNA

B. DNA

C. protein

D. polysaccharide

**Answer: B**



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**107.** Experimental material in the study of DNA replication has been

- A. *Escherichia coli*
- B. *Neurospora crassa*
- C. *Pneumococcus*
- D. *Drosophila melanogaster*

**Answer: A**



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**108.** Khorana first deciphered the triplet codons of

- A. serine and isoleucine
- B. threonine and histidine
- C. tyrosine and tryptophan
- D. phenylalanine and methionine

**Answer: B**



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**109.** *Escherichia coli* fully labelled with  $^{15}N$  is allowed to grow in  $^{14}N$  medium. The two strands of DNA molecule of the first generation of bacteria have :

A. different density and do not resemble parent DNA

B. different density but resemble parent DNA

C. same density and resemble parent DNA

D. same density but do not resemble parent

DNA

**Answer: B**



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**110.** In RNA, the thymine is replaced by :

A. adenine

B. guanine

C. cytosine

D. Uracil

**Answer: D**



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**111.** A nucleotide is formed of

A. purine , pyrimidine and phosphate

B. purine , sugar and phosphate

C. nitrogen base , sugar and phosphate

D. pyrimidine , sugar and phosphate



**Answer: C**



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**112.** The process of DNA formation from RNA is called :

A. transversion

B. transcription

C. translation

D. translocation

**Answer: B**



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**113.** In the coding dictionary, there are 64 codons as :

A. 64 amino acids are to be coded

B. 64 types of tRNAs are present

C. there are 44 non - sense codons and 20 sense codons

D. genetic code is triplet

**Answer: D**



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**114.** DNA replication is :

A. conservative and discontinuous

B. semi - conservative and  
semidiscontinuous

C. semi - conservative and discontinuous

D. conservative

**Answer: B**



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**115. Genetic code consists of**

A. adenine and guanine

B. cytosine and uracil

C. cyosine and guanine

D. All of the above

**Answer: D**



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