



# BIOLOGY

## BOOKS - ARIHANT NEET BIOLOGY (HINGLISH)

### ORIGIN OF LIFE

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1. The most widely accepted view for origin of life is

A. Biogenesis

B. Abiogenesis

C. Biochemical origin

D. Biopoiesis

**Answer: C**



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2. According to the Big Bang theory, the gaseous clouds, which created solar system are

A. Hydrogen and helium

B. Solar nebula

C. Milky way

D. Methane and ammonia

**Answer: B**



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**3. Who discovered solar nebula?**

A. Abbe Lemaitre

B. Kant

C. Louis Pasteur

D. None of these

**Answer: B**



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4. The branch of science which deals with deals with the study of universe is called

A. Universology

B. Evolutionary biology

C. Cosmology

D. Astrology

**Answer: C**



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5. The reason that primitive atmosphere of the earth did not show any degradation is

A. Reducing nature

B. High temperature

C. UV rays

D. Rainfall

**Answer: A**



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6. In recent atmosphere, which of the following is absent

A. Free  $O_2$

B. Free  $H_2$

C.  $CO_2$

D.  $H_2O$

**Answer: B**



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7. The formation of living and non-living world simultaneously is the main feature of

A. Theory of panspermia

B. Theory of cosmozoic origin

C. Theory of catastrophism

D. Theory of abiogenesis

**Answer: B**



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**8.** Which one of the following theories is also called theory of abiogenesis?

A. Theory of special creation



B. Theory of spontaneous generation

C. Theory of cosmozoic origin

D. Theory of catastrophism

**Answer: B**



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9. Fransisco Reddi performed his experiment to prove theory biogenesis in the year

A. 1668

B. 1767

C. 1860

D. 1890

**Answer: A**



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**10.** Fransisco Reddi performed his experiment to prove theory biogenesis in the year

A. Lazzaro Spallanzani

B. Von Helmont

C. Francisco Reddi

D. Louis Pasteur

**Answer: D**



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1. Modern theory of origin of life is also known as  
as

A. Naturalistic theory

B. Abiogenesis

C. Physico-chemical evolution

D. All of the above

**Answer: D**



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2. The term given by Darwin and having same meaning as prebiotic soup is

A. Warm little pond

B. Cold ocean

C. Postbiotic soup

D. Both (a) and (b)

**Answer: A**



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**3.** According to deep sea vents hypothesis, primitive sea was

A. Acidic

B. Neutral

C. Alkaline

D. Both (a) and (b)

**Answer: C**



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**4.** As the earth started condensing which of the following passed to core of the earth?

A. Silicon

B. Aluminium

C. Nickel

D. All of these

**Answer: C**



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**5. The energy to allow chemogenic reactions came from**

A. UV rays

B. Electric discharge from lightning

C. Cosmic rays

D. All of the above

**Answer: D**



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6. In primitive atmosphere ATP was formed when adenine combined with



A. Monophosphate

B. Diphosphate

C. Triphosphate

D. Polysulphate

**Answer: C**



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7. How long the Miller and Urey experiment was carried

A. 1 week

B. 2 week

C. 2 days

D. 1 month

**Answer: A**



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8. The product which was observed and obtained during Miller's experiment was

A. Turbid red liquid

B. Ammonia

C. Ribosomes

D. Valine

**Answer: A**



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9. Which of the following type of sugar was present in turbid red liquid?

A. Straight chain sugars

B. Pentoses

C. Hexoses

D. All of these

**Answer: D**



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**10.** Apart from miller and Urey, who produced complex compounds from simpler compounds to prove theory of physico-chemical evolution?

A. Fox

B. Dobzhansky

C. Calvin

D. Both (a) and (c)

**Answer: D**



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1. The proteinoid colloidal aggregate obtained by Sydney Fox are

- A. Coacervates
- B. Microspheres
- C. Coacervates droplets
- D. Colloids

**Answer: B**



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2. Coacervates divide by the process of

A. Spore formation

B. Binary fission

C. Budding

D. None of the above

**Answer: C**



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3. The membrane of which of the following is devoid of fatty acids?

A. Microsphere

B. Coacervates

C. Prebiotic aggregates

D. Eukaryotes

**Answer: A**



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4. Protocells were similar to the present day

A. Virus

B. Eukaryotes

C. Mycoplasma

D. Both (a)and (c)

**Answer: D**



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5. The first living organism had following mode of nutrition

- A. Photoautotrophic
- B. Chemoautotrophic
- C. Chemoheterotrophic
- D. aerobic photoautotrophic

**Answer: C**



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6. The organism which obtained energy by the process of fermentation are

- A. Chemoautotrophs
- B. Photoautotrophs
- C. Aerobic photoautotrophs
- D. Parasites

**Answer: A**



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7. The fossilised microbial mats which consist of filamentous prokaryotes and trapped sediments are

- A. Stromatolites
- B. Sulphur bacteria
- C. Saprophytes
- D. None of the above

**Answer: A**



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8. Which of the following are considered as molecular fossils?

A. Ribozymes

B. Nucleotides

C. Amino acids

D. Meteorites

**Answer: A**



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9. Fossil records usually exhibit

A. Microevolution

B. Macroevolution

C. Megaevolution

D. Quantum evolution

**Answer: B**



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10. The polynucleotides were found in which of the following meteorites which fell in Ukraine?

A. Muchison meteorite

B. Mighi meteorite

C. Meteorite

D. Both (a) and (b)

**Answer: D**



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# Chapter Exercises Taking It Together A Assorted Questions Of The Chapter For Advanced Level Practise

1. Big bang theory was proposed by

A. Darwin

B. Lemaitre

C. Miller

D. Pasteur

**Answer: B**



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2. The early belief of the spontaneous origin of life was disproved by

A. Louis Pasteur

B. R Koch

C. Lederberg

D. C Darwin

**Answer: A**



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3. The coacervate hypothesis was given by

A. Al Oparin

B. Haldane

C. Sydney Fox

D. Darwin

**Answer: A**



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4. The origin of universe occurred about

A. 15-20 billion years ago

B. 30-40 billion years ago

C. 40-50 billion years ago

D. 50-60 billion years ago

**Answer: A**



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5. Our galaxy was originated about

A. 100 billion years ago

B. 1 billion years ago

C. 1000 billion years ago

D. 100 million years ago

**Answer: A**



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6. The presence of salts (NaCl and others) in animal body fluid gives an inference that life originated in the

- A. Rainwater
- B. Primitive ocean
- C. Salt solutions
- D. None of these

**Answer: B**



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7. The first genetic material was most likely to be

- A. DNA polymer
- B. Primitive ocean
- C. DNA oligonucleotide
- D. RNA polymer

**Answer: D**



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8. The experiment to show the production of mice in 21 days from carried out by

A. Jean Baptiste von Helmont

B. Louis Pasteur

C. Aristotle

D. Francisco Reddi

**Answer: A**



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9. The spark-discharge apparatus to test chemical evolution of life was designed by

Or

The first experiment on chemical evolution and origin of life was carried out by

- A. Urey and Miller
- B. Oprain and Haldane
- C. Jacob and Monod
- D. Dixon and Jolly

**Answer: A**





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10. Who did an experiment to prove that " The organic compounds were thers of life "?

A. Stanley Miller and HC Urey

B. Melvin Calvin

C. Darwin and Lamarck

D. Sydney Fox

**Answer: A**



11. The term microsphere was given by

A. Sydney Fox

B. Haldane

C. Miller

D. Oparin

**Answer: A**



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12. The oldest eukaryotic fossil is :

A. 3.5 billion years old

B. 2.5 billion years old

C. 1.5 billion years old

D. 0.5 billion years old

**Answer: C**



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**13.** Life originated in the

A. Precambrian

B. Mesozoic

C. Coenozoic

D. Proterozoic

**Answer: A**



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14. The age of 'Big-Bang' is likely to be of the order of :

A.  $10^{10}$  yr

B.  $10^{20}$  yr

C.  $10^5$  yr

D.  $10^2$  yr

**Answer: A**



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15. Most biologists agree that the first cells on the Earth developed in the :

A. In the ocean

B. In soil

C. On mountain

D. In rock

**Answer: A**



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**16.** The founder of 'theory of catastrophism' is :

A. Oparin

B. Haldane

C. G Cuvier

D. Darwin

**Answer: C**



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17. The theory of abiogenesis is also known as

A. Germplasm theory

B. Theory of spontaneous generation

C. Theory of panspermia

D. Oparin-Haldane theory

**Answer: B**



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**18.** The idea of spontaneous generation was supported by

A. Anaximus

B. Anximander

C. Empedocles

D. Pasteur

**Answer: B**



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19. The idea of spontaneous generation was refuted by

A. F Reddi

B. L Pasteur

C. L Spallanzani

D. All of these

**Answer: D**



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20. Who proposed the Theory of Cosmozoic Origin?

A. Richter and Arrhenius

B. Urey and Miller

C. Haeckel

D. Lamarck

**Answer: A**



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21. A prokaryotic cell differs from eukaryotic cell due to the lack of

A. Nucleolus

B. Nuclear membrane

C. Membrane bound cell organelles

D. All of the above

**Answer: D**



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22. A coacervate is a

- A. Nucleoprotein in nature
- B. Mixture of ammonia and water
- C. Colloidal suspension in water
- D. Mixture of contemporary bioproteins

**Answer: D**



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23. The primitive earth earth conditions were experimentally shown by

A. Urey and Miller

B. Miller

C. Oparin

D. Both (a) and (b)

**Answer: D**



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24. Which of the following planets is supposed to have life?

A. Mars

B. Mercury

C. Uranus

D. Pluto

**Answer: A**



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25. The oldest fossil cells resemble:

A. Heterotrophic bacteria

B. Autotrophic bacteria

C. green algae

D. red algae

**Answer: A**



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**26.** Which of the following theories accepted that the life originated from pre-existing life?

A. Abiogenesis

B. Biogenesis

C. Special creation

D. Oparin-Haldane theory

**Answer: B**



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27. Louis Pasteur provided proof in support of biogenesis in

A. 1862

B. 1872

C. 1882

D. 1892

**Answer: A**



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28. The solar system was created approximately

A. 4.5 billion years ago

B. 3.3 billion years ago

C. 2.3 billion years ago

D. 2.0 billion years ago

**Answer: A**



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29. Under certain condition scientist have obtained cell-like structures. These are known as

A. Microbes

B. Protists

C. Coacervates droplets

D. Prebiotic soup

**Answer: C**



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**30.** The first organisms to appear on earth were more like plants because

- A. Plants are simpler
- B. Plants are more
- C. Plants do photosynthesis
- D. None of the above

**Answer: C**



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**31.** Which of the following appeared later when the earth cooled down to a temperature below 100 C?

- A. Lithosphere
- B. Atmosphere
- C. Stratosphere
- D. Hydrosphere

**Answer: D**



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32. According to Oparin and Haldane, transformation of lifeless chemicals into living matter extended

A. 1 billion years

B. 2 billion years

C. 3 billion years

D. 4 billion years

**Answer: C**



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**33.** Chemical theory for origin of life was given by

A. Stanley Miller and HC Urey

B. Spallanzani

C. Oparin and Haldane

D. Louis Pasteur

**Answer: C**



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**34.** The age of earth is about

A. 4.6 billion years

B. 10 billion years

C. 3.0 billion years

D. 20 billion years

**Answer: A**



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**35.** The category of molecules produced by the Miller-Urey experiment was:

- A. Organic monomers
- B. Inorganic monomers
- C. Organic polymers
- D. Inorganic polymers

**Answer: A**



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**36.** The energy used in the Miller-Urey experiment was obtained through

- A. Atomic radiation
- B. Electric spark
- C. Photoenergy
- D. Mechanical energy

**Answer: B**



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**37.** The origin of life on Earth can be traced to :

A. Microorganisms from other planets

B. Some compounds formed on primitive  
earth

C. God's will

D. Protista

**Answer: B**



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**38.** An alternative name of cosmozoan theory is

- A. Panspermia
- B. Big Bangtheory
- C. Abiogenic theory
- D. Biogenesis

**Answer: A**



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**39.** The oldest known fossil cells are about the size of :

- A. Ribosomes
- B. Modern prokaryotes
- C. Human skin cells
- D. Amoeba

**Answer: B**



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40. A compound important in prebiotic evolution was



**Answer: B**



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**41.** The age of oldest rock is about

A. 3.3-3.6 billion years

B. 4.2-4.6 billion years

C. 4.6-5.6 billion years

D. 5.6-7.0 billion years

**Answer: A**



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42. For origin of life, the most important condition is the presence of :

A.  $O_2$

B.  $N_2$

C.  $CO_2$

D.  $H_2O$

**Answer: D**



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**43.** Spontaneous generation of flies from rotting meat was disproved by :

A. Charles Darwin

B. Louis Pasteur

C. Francisco Reddi

D. Helmont

**Answer: C**



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**44.** Spontaneous generation of bacteria from decomposing broth was disproved in 1860 by

A. F Reddi

B. L Pasteur

C. xd

D. L Spallanzani

**Answer: B**



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45. Which of the following evolved first?

A. Coacervates

B. PPLO

C. Viroids

D. Mycoplasma

**Answer: A**



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**46.** The water of primitive ocean during the time of origin of life has been called 'hot dilute soup of oceanic substances' by:

A. Haldane

B. Miller

C. Oparin

D. Sydney Fox

**Answer: A**



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47. Life was created by some supernatural power. This theory is:

A. Spontaneous generation

B. spore theory

C. Special creation theory

D. Oparin -Haldance theory

**Answer: C**



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**48.** Who said that the organisms develop from pre-existing organisms?

A. Louis Pasteur

B. Aristotle

C. AI Oparin

D. Haldane

**Answer: A**



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49. An important feature of the early atmosphere was the virtual absence of

A.  $N_2$

B.  $CO_2$

C.  $HCN$

D.  $O_2$

**Answer: D**



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50. There is not life on moon because there is no

A. water

B. Nitrogen

C. Carbon

D. Silicate

**Answer: A**



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51. Dominant flora 2.5 billion years ago was

- A. Green algae
- B. Blue-Green algae
- C. Red algae
- D. brown algae

**Answer: B**



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52. First photosynthetic organisms to appear on earth were

A. Bacteria

B. Green algae

C. Funaria

D. Pteridium

**Answer: A**



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53. Some complex inorganic and organic compounds in the hot sea aggregated in different combination forming

A. Coacervates

B. Postcell

C. Pre-cell

D. Protoplasm

**Answer: A**



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54. Which of the following modes of nutrition is most primitive?

- A. Chemoautotrophs
- B. Chemoheterotroph
- C. Anaerobic photoautotroph
- D. Aerobic photoautotroph

**Answer: B**



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55. Stromocites, the first found fossils are

A. plantae

B. virus

C. PPLO

D. cyanobacteria

**Answer: D**



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56. Which of the following is known as oldest living fossil?

- A. Eubacteria
- B. Archaeobacteria
- C. Protozoa
- D. Eukaryotes

**Answer: B**



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57. It is believed that the first organisms, which inhabited earth's surface were

- A. Mixotrophs
- B. Chromotrophs
- C. Heterotrophs
- D. Autotrophs

**Answer: B**



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58. Which of the following is a nucleoproteinoid molecule having free-living gene?

- A. Protobionts
- B. Microspheres
- C. Coacervates droplets
- D. Cephalin

**Answer: A**



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**59.** Bacteria that live around deep sea, hot water vents obtain energy by oxidising inorganic hydrogen sulphide. They use this energy to build organic molecules from carbon obtained from the carbon dioxide in the seawater. These bacteria are

A. Photoheterotrophs

B. Chemoautotrophs

C. Photoautotrophs

D. Chemoheterotrophs

**Answer: B**



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**60.** Which of the following is an example of theory of spontaneous generation?

- A. Frog could arise from moist soil
- B. Frog could arise from parent frog
- C. Frog could arise from fishes
- D. None of the above

**Answer: A**



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**61.** Which of the following theory accepted that microorganisms come only from other microorganisms come only from other microorganisms?

A. Theory of abiogenic origin

B. Theory of abiogenesis

C. Theory of biogenesis

D. Theory of cosmozoic origin

**Answer: C**



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**62.** Universe originated about 15 billion year ago by

A. A thermonuclear explosion

B. Fusion

C. Gravity

D. Destruction of atmosphere

**Answer: A**



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**63.** The solar system was created by the collapse of solar nebula. Solar nebula was the

A. Gaseous cloud

B. Solid ball of soil

C. Liquid of water and minerals

D. Solid iron

**Answer: A**



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**64.** The reason of presence of free oxygen into the earth's atmosphere, whereas there was no free oxygen at the time of origin of life is

A. Catalytic activity of animals

B. Photosynthetic activity of plants

C. Heating of the earth

D. None of the above

**Answer: B**



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**65.** The complex organic compounds that may have first evolved in the direction of origin of life on earth, may have been

A. Proteins and amino acids



B. Proteins and nucleic acids

C. Urea and nucleic acids

D. Urea and amino acids

**Answer: B**



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**66.** There was no degradation of any organic compounds arising in primitive earth because

A. Atmosphere was absent

B. Atmosphere was highly reducing

C. Atmosphere was highly oxidising

D. None of the above

**Answer: A**



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**67.** The first living organism obtained energy

by

A. Fermentation

B. Oxidative phosphorylation

C. Photophosphorylation

D. Pentose phosphate pathway

**Answer: A**



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**68.** Terrestrial or abiogenic origin of life interprets that the life arose

- A. By a series of sequential chemical reactions
- B. from pre-existing life
- C. Spontaneously from lifeless matter
- D. None of the above

**Answer: C**



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**69.** Which of the following theories explained that the life originated on earth from the organic molecules that were produced early in the history of earth?

- A. Theory of abiogenic origin
- B. Theory of cosmozoic origin
- C. Theory of panspermia
- D. Theory of biogenesis

**Answer: A**



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**70.** Coacervates containing nucleoprotein and surrounded by several nutritive substances and covered by a surface membrane represents

A. Protocells

B. Liposome

C. Pre-Cells

D. Microphere

**Answer: A**



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71. Which of the following theories is related with the statement that spores or seeds (sperm) having extra terrestrial origin might have infected the barren earth at the time of its origin?

A. Theory of panspermia

B. Theory of terrestrial origin

C. Theory of spontaneous generation

D. Theory of special creation

**Answer: A**



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**72.** Which of the following has replaced methane of the primitive atmosphere as the major carbon containing compounds of the present day earth's atmosphere?



A. Carbon dioxide

B. Coal

C. Carbon monoxide

D. Hydrocarbon

**Answer: A**



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**73.** Which of these did Stanley Miller place in his experimental system to show that the

organic molecules could have arisen from the inorganic molecules on the primitive earth?

- A. The primitive gases
- B. Purines and pyrimidines
- C. Microspheres
- D. Protocells

**Answer: A**



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74. Evolution of the  $DNA \rightarrow RNA \rightarrow$  protein system was a milestone because the protocell:

- A. Could not reproduce
- B. Was a heterotrophic fermenter
- C. Pass on genetic information
- D. Needed ATP for requirement of energy

**Answer: C**



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75. Miller synthesised simple amino acids from which one of the following mixture in his experiment?

A.  $H_2, O_2, N_2, (2:1:2)$  AND  $H_2O$

B.  $CH_4, NH_3, H_2(2:1:2)$  and  $H_2(O)$

C.  $H_2, O_2N_2, (1:2:1)$  and  $H_2O$

D.  $CH_4, NH_3, H_2(1:2:1)$  and  $H_2O$

**Answer: B**



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76. The energy source for the creation of the first organic compounds came from

A. Electronic discharge

B. UV light

C. High temperature from volcanoes

D. All of the above

**Answer: D**



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77. As per theory of chemosynthetic generation, what was the sequence of origin of life?

- A. Amino acids-Nucleoproteins\_Chlorophyll
- B. Nucleoproteins-Amino acids- Chlorophyll
- C. Nucleoproteins- Chlorophyll-Amino acids
- D. Amino acids-Chlorophyll- Nucleoproteins

**Answer: A**



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**78.** Which of the following is the chief reason showing that the protocell was probably a fermenter?

A. It did not have any enzymes

B. The atmosphere did not have any oxygen

C. Atmosphere was oxidising

D. None of the above

**Answer: B**



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79. Formation of which complex molecules was noticed by Urey and Miller when they subjected substances like  $\text{NH}_3$ ,  $\text{CH}_4$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  to electric discharge

A.  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$

B. Amino acids

C. Hydroponics

D. HCN

**Answer: B**



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**80.** During the origin and evolution of life, key biological compounds were progressively synthesised in ocean with the help of energy obtained from

- A. Combustion of certain compounds
- B. UV light only
- C. Lightning and ultraviolet light
- D. Lightning only

**Answer: C**



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**81.** The age of oldest sedimentary rock is about

A. 2.7-3.2 billion years

B. 3.2-4.2 billion years

C. 4.2-5.2 billion years

D. 5.2-6.2 billion years

**Answer: A**



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**82.** Which of the following is not found in a lipid coacervate droplet or a proteinoid microsphere?

- A. The ability to grow
- B. A nucleus
- C. A two-layer boundary
- D. Division by pinching in two layers

**Answer: B**



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**83.** What prokaryotic adaptation occurred during the oxygen revolution and opened up the possibility for energy demanding multicellular life forms?

A. Electron transport systems

B. Anaerobic fermentation

C. Aerobic respiration

D. Photosynthesis

**Answer: C**



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**84.** Amino acids and polynucleotides similar to DNA was found in Mighi Meteorite and Marchison Meteorite by space biologists. In which country, these Meteorites were fell in 1889?

A. India

B. Pakistan

C. Ukraine

D. America

**Answer: C**



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**85.** Stanley L Miller conducted experiments before 1953 on prebiotic earth environment using special apparatus. The primary surprising products were

A. Peptides

B. Amino acids

C. nucleotides

D. Simple sugars

**Answer: B**



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**86.** Most probably now, no origin of life is taking place in the way as occurred on primordial earth because

- A. Free oxygen may react with most  
intermediate
- B. Free hydrogen is absent
- C. Water vapour is absent
- D. Man is not interested

**Answer: A**



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**87.** The discovery of virus has placed the problem of the origin of life in new light and it is believed that the higher forms of life have descended from

- A. Free-living viruses
- B. Free-living bacteria
- C. Free-living Protozoa
- D. Free-living Metazoa

**Answer: A**



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**88.** Which of the following statements does not explain the usefulness of study of the origin and evolution of life?

- A. The human species is most evolved, so no harm can be done to us
- B. We know that life can exist anywhere else as well
- C. We learn that human beings have the responsibility to conserve nature

D. We learn about the unity and diversity of living organisms

**Answer: A**



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**89.** The heterotrophic hypothesis helps us to understand

A. Definition of the term life

B. Difference between living and non-living

- C. Increasing complexity moving from the atom to the simple molecule to complex proteins to living organisms, populations, societies and communities
- D. All of the above

**Answer: D**



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**90.** In Spallanzani's experiment, one set of flasks had access to air through holes in the cork and the other set did not. In the set having access to air, the contents showed abundant growth of microorganisms. What inference would you draw from this experiment?

A. Spontaneous generation does not need air

B. Spontaneous generation requires

contact with air

C. The contents of the flask had not been

boiled throughly

D. Spontaneous generation is impossible, if

there is no spore source like air

**Answer: D**



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**91.** Biologists believe that the current DNA → RNA → Protein system is the result of a long period evolution because

A. DNA Replication is complicated but relatively error free and the current system is very complex and precise

B. The transcription of DNA to mRNA and translation of mRNA into proteins consists of many steps

C. Evidence indicates that RNA preceded DNA as the genetic material

D. All of the above

**Answer: D**



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**92.** Which of the Following discoveries would force scientists to revise their present theories regarding the origin of life on earth?



- A. The earth is found to be billion years old, rather than 4.6 billion
- B. Polypeptides can catalyse replication of small RNA molecules
- C. There was a lot of oxygen gas in the atmosphere 4 billion years ago
- D. Minerals in lava catalyse formation of polypeptides from amino acids.

**Answer: C**



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**93.** Temperature in the interior of the sun is  $2000000000^{\circ}C$ , the reason for this high temperature is

- A. Various exothermic reactions are taking place
- B. Fusion reactions converting hydrogen of sun to helium
- C. Collision of particles releasing energy
- D. None of the above

**Answer: B**



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**94.** Pasteur's experiments and similar ones that followed convinced most people, that spontaneous generation of life did not happen because

A. Pasteur did not happen because

B. Pasteur's swan-necked flasks ruled out the objection that spoiled air could have

contaminated his experiments

C. Pasteur was extremely meticulous

D. Pasteur used very fine mesh screens to  
cover his flasks

**Answer: B**



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**95. Mark the correct statement.**

A. L Spallanzani stated that air carried  
microorganisms

B. Father Saurez discarded the view of  
special creation

C. L Pasteur did his experiments on flesh

D. F Reddi put forward the theory of special  
creation

**Answer: A**



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96. In the ancient atmosphere, free nitrogen, oxygen and carbon dioxide were not present because

A. of the large amount of hydrogen and high temperature

B. carbon would have combined with hydrogen to form methane

C. any free oxygen would have combined with iron, silicon,

D. All of the above

**Answer: D**



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**97.** An evolving coacervate- like system would have needed a controlled and constant source of energy for

A. Maintaining their organisation

B. making large complex molecules

C. organising these molecules into structural patterns

D. All of the above

**Answer: D**



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**98.** In What respect, the heterotroph hypothesis differs from the early ideas of spontaneous generation?

A. It assumed that spontaneous generation was a continuous process that could



happen even today

B. The idea of spontaneous generation maintained that complex organisms could arise suddenly from non-living matter

C. The heterotroph hypothesis assumes that a very simple organism evolved slowly from non-living matter and this occurred in the primitive environmental conditions

D. In all of the above conditions

**Answer: D**



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**99.** Which of the following is a true statement?

A. The primitive atmosphere had 20%

oxygen, just like it is today

B. The reducing primitive atmosphere

contributed to the origin of life and the

oxidising one today would hinder it

C. The primitive atmosphere was an

oxidising one and today is reducing

D. Ultraviolet radiation would be absorbed

by ozone layer present in primitive

atmosphere

**Answer: B**



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**100.** Which of these is a true statement?

A. Eukaryotes evolved before prokaryotes

B. Prokaryotes evolved before eukaryotes

C. The true cell evolved before the  
protocell

D. Prokaryotes didn't evolve until 1.5 billion  
years ago

**Answer: B**



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**101.** In primordial atmosphere, when the living organism evolved the respiration process was

A. Aerobic as it released more energy

B. Anaerobic because early atmosphere contained little or no oxygen

C. Aerobic as it was more complex

D. Anaerobic as it released more energy

**Answer: B**



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**102.** Which of the following is a factor against the theory of panspermia?

A. Non-conductive conditions of extremely low temperature and lack of atmosphere in interplanetary space to life

B. Very high flux of cosmic and ultraviolet radiation from the sun

C. Utter dryness in interplanetary space

D. All of the above

**Answer: D**



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**103.** Which of these gives a possible sequence of organic chemicals prior to the protocell?

A. Inorganic gases, amino acids, polypeptide, microsphere

B. Inorganic gases, nucleotides, nucleic acids, genes

C. Water, salts, protein, oxygen

D. Both (a) and (b)

**Answer: D**



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**104.** Pasteur succeeded in disproving the spontaneous generation theory because



A. He was lucky

B. He was ingenious in drawing out the neck of the glass flasks so as to provide access to air but not to microorganisms

C. Of the fact that sample of yeast taken by him was dead

D. Of the clean surroundings of his laboratory

**Answer: B**



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**105.** Theory of Special Creation states that

A. God is the creator of life

B. origin of life is supernatural or vitalistic event at a particular time in the past

C. Life is immutable and has not changed ever since its origin

D. All of the above

**Answer: D**



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**106.** Which of the following is true about cosmozoan theory?

- A. Life is coeternal with matter without any beginning
- B. Origin of life is extraterrestrial
- C. Life originated once or several times in various parts of galaxy
- D. All of the above

**Answer: D**



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**107.** Which of the following explanations accounts for the statements.'It has yet not been possible to create life,?

A. Most molecules are known except a few

B. Nature and molecular organisation is complex and not completely understood

C. All molecules of life have not been identified as yet

D. Some molecules are organic and others are inorganic in nature

**Answer: B**



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**108.** Biologists are interested in the role of liposomes in the origin of life. They think that liposomes might show how the

A. Raw materials for organic compounds  
are formed

B. Formation of organic polymers, such as  
carbohydrates and RNA were catalysed

C. primitive cell membranes have  
form, grow and divide

D. energy was supplied for the metabolism  
of the first simple cells

**Answer: C**



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**109.** Life cannot originate from the inorganic material at present because of presence of

A. Very low atmospheric temperature

B. High degree of environmental pollution

C. Very high amount of oxygen in atmosphere

D. Absence of raw materials

**Answer: C**





**110.** Which of the following is the strongest evidence that prokaryotes evolved before eukaryotes?

A. Meteorites that have struck the earth

B. Abiotic experiments that constructed liposomes in the laboratory

C. Liposomes look like prokaryotic cells



D. The oldest fossilised cells resemble prokaryotes

**Answer: D**



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**111.** How is biological evolution distinct from the chemical evolution?

A. Biological evolution preceded chemical evolution during origin of life

B. Not all organisms on earth undergo biological evolution

C. Biological evolution is not affected by mutation

D. Biological evolution happens when organisms could replicate

**Answer: D**



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**112.** Why do scientists think that the RNA and not DNA, was the first gene?

A. RNA can store information and acts as an enzyme

B. DNA copies itself but cannot store information

C. DNA did not exist in early cells

D. RNA sometimes forms a double helix

**Answer: A**





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**113.** What is the difference between spontaneous generation and biogenesis?

A. Biogenesis supposes that the non-living materials can produce life, while spontaneous generation follows the idea that living things come only from the other living things

## B. Spontaneous generation and biogenesis

both support the theory that non-living materials are the source of living organisms

## C. Spontaneous generation proposes that

the non-living materials can produce life, biogenesis follows the idea the living things come only from other living things

D. Spontaneous generation applies only to plants and how they produce life, while biogenesis applies to animals and how they produce life

**Answer: C**



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**114.** Which hypothesis on the origin of life states that the proteins, lipids and other complex organic molecules are formed when

energy from the sun and other sources causes chemical reactions among gases in earth's prehistoric atmosphere?

- A. Self-replicating molecules
- B. Biogenesis
- C. Miller and Urey's experiment
- D. Spontaneous generation

**Answer: C**



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**115.** The endosymbiotic theory states that.....,one piece of evidence supporting this theory is the fact that ...

A. The first hereditary material was RNA, mitochondria and chloroplasts have heredity based on RNA

B. The genomes of complex animals came in part from the genomes of invading pathogens, the human genome contains



the complete genomes of 120 viruses  
and 10 bacteria

C.

D.

**Answer: C**



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1. Which of the following is correct about microspheres?

I. Protobionts made of polypeptides are called microspheres.

II.They show division by binary fission.

III.Viruses are exactly similar to the microspheres.

IV.Bacteria are exactly similar to the microspheres.

A. I and III

B. I and II

C. III and IV

D. I,II and III

**Answer: B**



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2. The theory of spontaneous generation of

life was refuted by I.Francis Redi

II.Louis Pasteur

III.Lazzaro Spallanzani

IV.Von Helmont

A. only III

B. II and III

C. III and IV

D. I,II and III

**Answer: D**



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**3.** The atmosphere of the earth at the time of origin of life was

I.reducing

II.with lack of free oxygen

III. oxidising

IV.similar to recent atmosphere

A. I and II

B. III and IV

C. II and III

D. II and IV

**Answer: A**



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4. During primitive times, oceans contained

I. Fishes

II. Algae

. III. water

IV. Ammonia, methane and minerals

A. II and III

B. I and IV

C. I and II

D. III and IV

**Answer: D**



5. In Francisco Reddi's experiment

I. Maggots developed in uncovered jar.

II. Maggots developed in jar covered by muslin cloth.

III. Maggots developed in covered jar. IV.

Maggots did not develop at all.

A. only IV

B. only I

C. I and II

D. only III

**Answer: C**



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6. According to Oparin, which one of the following was not present in the primitive atmosphere of the earth?

A. only I

B. only IV



C. II and IV

D. II and III

**Answer: D**



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7. Which of the following gives a possible sequence of organic chemicals prior to protocell?

I. Inorganic gases, amino acids, polypeptides, microsphere.

II. Inorganic gases, nucleotides, nucleic acids, genes.

III. Water, salts, proteins, oxygen.

IV. Protein, salts, oxygen, water

A. I and II

B. only III

C. I and III

D. III and IV

**Answer: C**



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**8.** The main difference between prokaryotic and eukaryotic cell is that in the prokaryotic cell there is no

I. Nucleus with a nuclear membrane.

II. Mitochondria and chloroplasts.

III. Cell wall.

IV. Genetic material.

A. only I

B. only II

C. I and II

D. I and III

**Answer: C**



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Format Questions B Match The Columns**

**1. Match the column**

**Column I**

**A. Origin of life**

**B. Origin of species**

**C. Special creation**

**Column II**

**1. Al Oparin theory**

**2. Suarez**

**3. Darwin**

A. A-2,B-1,C-3

B. A-3,B-2,C-3

C. A-1,B-2,C-3

D. A-1,B-3,C-2

**Answer: D**



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## 2. Match the following columns

Column I	Column II
A. Cyanobacteria	1. The first organisms to give of oxygen
B. Chemoheterotrophs	2. Organisms that can grow with or without oxygen
C. Facultative anaerobes	3. Obtained energy from fermentation of organic molecules
D. Obligate anaerobes	4. Organisms that are poisoned by oxygen

A. A-1,B-3,C-2,D-4

B. A-1,B-2,C-3,D-4

C. A-2,B-3,C-1,D-4

D. A-2,B-1,C-3,D-4

**Answer: A**



### 3. Match the following columns

Column I	Column II
A. Stanley Miller	1. Coined the term coacervate
B. JBS Haldane	2. Spark discharge apparatus
C. AI Oparin	3. Prebiotic soup

A. A-1,B-2,C-3

B. A-2,B-3,C-1

C. A-3,B-2,C-1

D. A-1,B-3,C-2

**Answer: B**



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**Chapter Exercises Medical Entrance Special  
Format Questions B Assertion And Reason**

**1. Assertion :** Primitive atmosphere was formed by the lightest atoms.

**Reason :** The primitive atmosphere was reducing in nature.



- A. Both Assertion and Reason are true and Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion
- B. Both Assertion and Reason are true, but Reason is not the correct explanation of Assertion
- C. Assertion is true, but Reason is false
- D. Assertion is false, but Reason is true

**Answer: B**



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2. Assertion: Each coacervate is composed of macromolecules.

Reason: Coacervates were the first living cell.

A. Both Assertion and Reason are true and Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion

B. Both Assertion and Reason are true, but Reason is not the correct explanation of Assertion

C. Assertion is true, but Reason is false

D. Assertion is false, but Reason is true

**Answer: C**



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**3. Assertion:** Protocells represented the beginning of life.

**Reason:** Protocells gave rise to prokaryotes.

- A. Both Assertion and Reason are true and Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion
- B. Both Assertion and Reason are true, but Reason is not the correct explanation of Assertion
- C. Assertion is true, but Reason is false
- D. Assertion is false, but Reason is true

**Answer: B**



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4. Assertion: They were cyanobacteria- like organisms, which in ancient time added oxygen to the atmosphere. Reason: Cyanobacteria were photoautotrophic.

A. Both Assertion and Reason are true and Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion

B. Both Assertion and Reason are true, but Reason is not the correct explanation of

Assertion

C. Assertion is true, but Reason is false

D. Assertion is false, but Reason is true

**Answer: B**



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5. Assertion: After the appearance of oxygen in the atmosphere, methane and ammonia began to disappear.

Oxygen is involved in forming ozone layer.

- A. Both Assertion and Reason are true and Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion
- B. Both Assertion and Reason are true, but Reason is not the correct explanation of Assertion
- C. Assertion is true, but Reason is false
- D. Assertion is false, but Reason is true

**Answer: B**



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1. Which of the following is the correct sequence of events in the origin of life

I. Formation of protobionts

II. Synthesis of organic monomers

III. Synthesis of organic polymers

IV. Formation of DNA-based genetic systems

A. (a) I,II,III and IV



B. (b) I,III,II and IV

C. (c) II,III, I and IV

D. (d) II, III, IV and I

**Answer: C**



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2. Following are the statements regarding the origin of life

(A) The earliest organisms that appeared on the earth were non-green and presumably

anaerobes

(B) The first autotrophic organisms were the chemoautotrophs that never released oxygen.

Of the above statements which one of the following options is correct

A. II is correct, but I is false

B. Both I and II are correct

C. Both I and II are false

D. I is correct, but II is false

**Answer: B**



3. According to the theory of spontaneous generation :

A. (a) Life originated from outer space

B. (b) Life originated from decaying and rotting matter like straw, mud, etc

C. (c) life came from pre-existing life

D. (d) Life came from both living and non-living matter

**Answer: B**



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**4. Oparin and Haldane proposed:**

A. (a) theory of natural selection

B. (b) that mutation caused speciation

C. that migration affects genetic  
equilibrium

D. (d) that the first form of life could have come from pre-existing non-living organic molecules

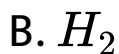
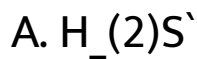
(e) that evolution of life forms had been driven by use and disuse of organs

**Answer: D**



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5. In Miller's experiment the following was not part of the starting chemicals



**Answer: A**



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6. Which was the first catalytic molecule during evolution of life?

A. (a) DNA

B. (b) rRNA

C. (c) tRNA

D. (d)mRNA

**Answer: B**



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7. Which compounds were used by Miller in his experiment for obtaining amino acids and other organic substances?

A. Carbon dioxide, water vapour and methane

B. Methane, ammonia, water vapour and hydrogen cyanide

C. Methane, ammonia, hydrogen and water vapour

D. Ammonia, methane and carbon dioxide



**Answer: C**



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**8. Who first conducted experiment on evolution to prove biochemical origin of life?**

A. Miller and Urey

B. Darwin

C. Lamarck

D. Weismann

**Answer: A**



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**9. Abiogenesis means**

- A. Spontaneous generation
- B. Origin of life from living organisms
- C. Origin of life from living organisms
- D. Origin of life from microbes

**Answer: A**



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**10.** Origin of life as a result of chemical evolution has been properly explained by the most logical biochemical theory of origin of life which has been given by

A. Stanley Miller and HC Urey

B. Darwin

C. AI Oparin

D. S Fox

**Answer: C**



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**11. Coacervates belongs to the category of :**

A. Cyanobacteria

B. Protozoans

C. Molecular aggregates

D. Molecular aggregate surrounded by lipid  
membrane

**Answer: D**



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**12.** Who proposed that the first form of life could have come from pre-existing non-living organic molecules ?

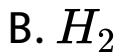
- A. Sl. Miller
- B. Oparin and Haldane
- C. Charles Darwin
- D. Alfred Wallace

**Answer: B**



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**13.** Which was absent in the atmosphere at the time of origin of life ?



**Answer: C**



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**14.** In the early earth, organic acids were produced by the combination of  $H_2$  with

- A. Ammonia and methane
- B. hydrogen
- C. Organic matter polymers
- D. sulphates and nitrates

**Answer: A**



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**15.** The results of Miller's experiments were discussed in the book 'The planets' which was written by

A. Sayere

B. Harold Urey

C. Huxley

D. Stanley



**Answer: B**



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**16.** Miller conducted his experiment in an apparatus containing methane, ammonia and hydrogen in the ratio of

A. 2:5:4

B. 2:1:2

C. 5:4:1

D. None

**Answer: B**



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**17.** Which of the following was formed in Stanley Miller's experiment?

- A. Amino acids
- B. Nucleic acids
- C. UV radiations
- D. Microspheres

**Answer: A**



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**18.** Which one of the following incorrect about the characteristic of protobionts (coacervates and microspheres) as envisaged in abiogenic origin of life ?

A. They were able to reproduce

B. They could separate combinations of molecules from the surroundings

C. They were partially isolated from the surroundings

D. They could maintain an internal environment

**Answer: D**



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**19.** According to Oparin, which one of the following was not present in the primitive atmosphere of the earth?

A. Methane

B. Oxygen

C. Hydrogen

D. Water vapour

**Answer: B**



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**20.** Which one of the following amino-acids was not found to be synthesized in Miller's experiment

A. Glycine

B. Aspartic acid

C. Glutamic acid

D. Alanine

**Answer: C**



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**21. Assertion:** Coacervates are believed to be the precursors of life. **Itbegt Reason :**

Coacervates were self-duplicating aggregates of proteins surrounded by lipid molecules.

A. Both Assertion and reason are true and reason is the correct explanation of Assertion

B. Both Assertion and Reason are true, but Reason is not the correct explanation of Assertion

C. Assertion is true, but Reason is false

D. Assertion is false, but Reason is true

**Answer: C**



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**22. Assertion (A) :** The earliest organisms that appeared on the Earth were non-green and presumably anaerobis.

**Reason (R ) :** The first autotrophic organisms were the chemoautotrophs that never released oxygen.



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- C. Assertion is true, but Reason is false
- D. Assertion is false, but Reason is true

**Answer: B**



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23. Which compound has very important role in prebiotic evolution?



**Answer: C**



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24. The concept of chemical evolution is based on :

A. Crystallisation of chemicals

B. Interaction of water, air and clay under intense heat

C. Effect solar radiation on chemicals

D. Possible origin of life by combination of chemicals under suitable environmental conditions

**Answer: D**



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