



# BIOLOGY

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### MOLECULAR BASIS OF INHERITANCE

#### Exercise

1. Out of 64 codons , 61 codons code for 20 types of amino acids , it is called :

A. Degeneracy

B. Non-ambiguous

C. Redundancy

D. Overlapping

**Answer: A**



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**2. Repressor protein is produced by**

A. Regulator gene

B. Operator gene

C. Structural gene

D. Promotor gene

**Answer: A**



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**3.** The portion of DNA which contains information for an entire polypeptide is called

:

A. Muton

B. Codon

C. Operon

D. Cistron

**Answer: D**



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**4. Okazaki fragments are associated with which phenomenon ?**

A. Translation

B. Replication of DNA

C. Transcription

D. Reverse transcription

**Answer: B**



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5. Fill in the blanks: Operon concept was given by \_\_\_\_\_.

A. Jacob & Monod

B. David Baltimore

C. Allec Jaffery

D. None of these

**Answer: A**



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6. The sequence of structural gene in lac operon concept is :

A. Lac A, Lac y, Lac Z

B. Lac A, Lac Z, Lac Y

C. Lac Y, Lac Z, Lac A

D. Lac Z, Lac Y, Lac A

**Answer: D**



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7. During transcription RNA polymerase holoenzyme binds to a gene promoter and

assumes a saddle-like structure. What is its DNA-binding sequence?

A. AATT

B. CACC

C. TATA

D. TTAA

**Answer: C**



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8. The two polynucleotide chains in DNA are:

A. Discontinuous

B. Antiparallel

C. Semiconservative

D. Parallel

**Answer: B**



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9. A codon consists of 3 bases and there are of 4 different kinds of bases in a nucleic acid altogether. how many codons will be there?

A. 64

B. 86

C. 22

D. 60

**Answer: A**



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10. Transcription involves transfer of the genetic information from DNA molecule to :

A. DNA molecule

B. RNA molecule

C. Protein

D. None of these

**Answer: B**



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11. 2003 was celebrated as the 50th anniversary of discovery of :

- A. Transposon by Barbara McClintock
- B. Structure of DNA by Watson and Crick
- C. Both (a) and (b)
- D. None of these

**Answer: B**



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12. The concept of one gene one enzyme was proposed by :

A. Beadle and Tatum

B. Watson and Crick

C. Corners

D. Leeuwenhoek

**Answer: A**



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13. Cell/ organism carrying mutated gene is :

A. Cistron

B. Mutant

C. Muton

D. Recon

**Answer: B**



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14. t-RNA consisting of three unpaired bases constitute :

A. Codon

B. Anticodon

C. Clover-leaf model

D. Acceptor loop

**Answer: B**



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15. An enzyme which increases the rate of permeability across the membrane is :

A. Permease

B. Catalase

C. Gelatinase

D. Amylase

**Answer: A**



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**16.** Molecule into which the coded information in DNA transcribed is :

A. m-RNA

B. t-RNA

C. r-RNA

D. hn-RNA

**Answer: B**



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17. Nitrogenous bases do not contain :

A. Hydrogen

B. Nitrogen

C. Carbon

D. Phosphorus

**Answer: B**



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

A. AUG, ACG - Start/Methionine

B. UUA, UCA- Leucine

C. GUU, GCU- Alanine

D. UAG,UGA-Stop

**Answer: D**



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**19.** Polysome is formed by:

A. A ribosome with several subunits

B. Ribosomes attached to each other in a  
linear arrangement

C. Several ribosome attached to a single m-  
RNA

D. Many ribosomes attached to a strand of  
endoplasmic reticulum

**Answer: C**

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20. In the DNA molecule:

A. the proportion of adenine in relation to thymine varies with the organism

B. there are two strands which run antiparallel-one in  $5' \rightarrow 3'$  direction and other in  $3' \rightarrow 5'$

C. the total amount of purine nucleotides and pyrimidine nucleotides is not always

equal

D. there are two strands which run parallel

in the  $5' \rightarrow 3'$

**Answer: D**



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**21.** Genetic information in a DNA molecule is coded in the

A. number of bases

B. sequence of nucleotides

C. length of DNA

D. number of nucleosides

**Answer: B**



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22. The sequence in m-RNA transcribed from a piece of DNA having a sequence ATTGCATCT

A. TAAATGGCC

B. UAACGUAGA

C. TAACGTAGA

D. AATTGCAGA

**Answer: B**



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**23.** A phenomenon where the third base of t-RNA at its 5' end can pair with a non-complementary base of m-RNA is called :



A. universality

B. colinearity

C. degeneracy

D. wobbling

**Answer: D**



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**24.** According to Chargaff's rule, which one is correct ?

A.  $[A]+[T]=[G]+[C]$

B.  $[A]+[C]=[G]+[T]$

C.  $[A]+[G]=[T]+[C]$

D. Both (a) and ©

**Answer: C**



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**25. Meselson and Stahl experiment proved**

A. Dna is a genetic material

B. Central dogma

C. transformation

D. semi conversation DNA replication

**Answer: D**



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**26.** The length of DNA having 23 base pairs is :

A.  $78 \text{ \AA}$

B.  $78.4 \text{ \AA}$

C.  $74.8 \text{ \AA}$

D.  $78.2 \text{ \AA}$

**Answer: D**



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**27.** During replication of DNA , Okazaki fragments are formed in the direction of :

A.  $3' \rightarrow 5'$

B.  $5' \rightarrow 3'$

C.  $5' \rightarrow 5'$

D.  $3' \rightarrow 3'$

**Answer: B**



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**28.** RNA directs the building of proteins through a sequence of :

A. exons

B. introns

C. codons

D. anticodons

**Answer: C**



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**29.** During transcription RNA polymerase holoenzyme binds to a gene promoter and assumes a saddle-like structure. What is its DNA-binding sequence?

A. promotor

B. regulator

C. receptor

D. enhancer

**Answer: A**



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**30. Which one is not a non-sense codon ?**

A. UAA

B. UGA

C. UCA

D. UAG

**Answer: C**



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**31. Which of the following codons has no t - RNA ?**

A. UAA



B. UAU

C. UGU

D. UGC

**Answer: A**



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**32.** Removal of introns and joining the exons in a definite order in a transcription unit is called :

A. tailing

B. transformation

C. capping

D. splicing

**Answer: D**



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**33.** Molecule of ATP is structurally similar to the molecule of :

A. DNA

B. RNA molecule

C. protein

D. AMP

**Answer: B**



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**34. True replication of DNA is possible due to :**

A. hydrogenbonding

B. phosphate backbone

C. complementary base pairing rule

D. none of the above

**Answer: C**



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**35.** A polypeptide is assembled on :

A. ribosome

B. DNA

C. RNA

D. nucleolus

**Answer: A**



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**36.** Semiconservative mode on replication of

DNA was proved by :

A. Hershey and Chase

B. Griffith

C. Watson and Crick

D. Meselson and Stahl

**Answer: D**



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**37. Which of the following is a plasmid ?**

A. pBR 322

B. Bam HI

C. Sal I

D. Eco RI

**Answer: A**



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**38.** To meet the demands of the society in vitro production of a large number of plantlets in a short duration is practised in floriculture and horticulture industry today. This is called ,

A. hybridoma technology

B. somaclonal variation

C. somatic hybridization

D. micropropagation

**Answer: D**



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**39.** Which one of the following has dual functions ? It codes for methionine and also acts as initiator codon ?



A. AUG, ACG - Start/Methionine

B. AUC

C. ACU

D. ACA

**Answer: A**



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**40.** In transcription in eukaryotes heterogeneous nuclear RNA (hnRNA) is transcribed by

A. RNA polymerase I

B. RNA polymerase II

C. RNA polymerase III

D. All of these

**Answer: B**



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**41.** RNA polymerase II is responsible for transcription of

A. Rrna

B. hnRNA

C. Trna

D. snRNA

**Answer: B**



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**42.** What will be the correct gene expression pathway ?

A. gene-mRNA-transcription-translation-  
protein

B. transcription-gene-translation-mRNA-  
protein

C. gene-transcription-mRNA-protein

D. gene-translation-mRNA-transcription-  
protein

**Answer: B**



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**43.** In eukaryotic cell transcription RNA splicing and RNA capping take place inside the :

A. ribosomes

B. nucleus

C. dictyosomes

D. ER

**Answer: B**



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44. The  $3' - 5'$  phosphodiester linkages inside a polynucleotide chain serve to join

A. one DNA strand with the other DNA strand

B. one nucleoside with another nucleoside

C. one nucleotide with another nucleotide

D. one nitrogenous base with pentose sugar

**Answer: C**



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45. Mobile genetic sequence are called :

A. exons

B. introns

C. cistrons

D. transposons

**Answer: D**



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**46.** How many effective codons are there for the synthesis of twenty amino acids ?

A. 64

B. 32

C. 60

D. 61

**Answer: D**



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47. The lac operon consists of :

A. four regulatory genes only

B. one regulatory gene and three structural genes

C. two regulatory genes and two structural genes

D. three regulatory genes and three structural genes

**Answer: D**

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**48.** Out of 64 codons , 61 codons code for 20 types of amino acids , it is called :

- A. colinearity
- B. commaless
- C. degeneracy
- D. non-ambiguity

**Answer: B**



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49. In Hershey and chase experiments, radioactive P was used to culture bacteriophages which resulted in radioactive:

A. viral DNA

B. bacterial capsule

C. viral proteins

D. plasma membrane of bacteria

**Answer: D**



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50. Which one of the following triplet codons is a chain termination codon ?

A. UGU

B. AAU

C. UUG

D. UAG

**Answer: B**



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51. The unequivocal proof of DNA as the genetic material came from the studies on :

- A. bacterium
- B. fungus
- C. viroid
- D. bacterial virus

**Answer: C**



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52. The central dogma of protein synthesis is :

A.  $prote \in \rightarrow RNA \Leftrightarrow DNA$

B.  $prote \in \Leftrightarrow DNA \rightarrow RNA$

C.  $RNA \rightarrow DNA \rightarrow prote \in$

D.  $DNA \Leftrightarrow RNA \rightarrow prote \in$

**Answer: A**



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**53.** Restriction enzyme Eco RI cuts the DNA between bases G and A only when the sequence in DNA is:

A. GATATC

B. GAATTC

C. GATTCC

D. GAACTT

**Answer: A**



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54. The lac operon is turned on when all lactose molecules bind to

- A. promotor site
- B. operator site
- C. mRNA
- D. repressor protein

**Answer: C**



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**55.** Some amino acids are coded by more than one codon hence the code is :

A. unambiguous

B. degenerate

C. universal

D. initiator

**Answer: B**



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**56.** The codon which has dual function is :

A. UGA

B. UUU

C. AUG

D. AAA

**Answer: C**



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

A. t-RNA

B. hnRNA

C. mRNA

D. rRNA

**Answer: A**



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58. Which strain of diplococcus pneumoniae is/are virulent ?

A. Smooth

B. Rough

C. Mutant

D. Wild

**Answer: A**



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59. The phenomenon discovered by griffith that proves DNA as genetic material is :

- A. Transcription
- B. Translation
- C. Transformation
- D. Transduction

**Answer: C**



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60. Which is not associated with DNA ?

A. Nucleosome

B. Spliceosome

C. Replosome

D. Chromosome

**Answer: B**



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61. Proteins are synthesized in the process:

A. Translocation

B. Transcription

C. Translation

D. Transformation

**Answer: C**



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**62. Which one is codes for amino acids ?**

A. Cistron

B. Exon

C. Intron

D. Codon

**Answer: D**



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**63.** Lactose in lac operon acts as :

A. Repressor

B. Inducer



C. Co-repressor

D. Co-inducer

**Answer: B**



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**64.** Termination codon is :

A. AUG

B. UGA

C. AAU

D. AUA

**Answer: A**



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**65.** 61 codons code for 20 amino acids because of the property :

A. Non-overlapping

B. Comaless

C. Degeneracy

D. Wobbling

**Answer: C**



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**66.** How many ribosomes are required for translation of one molecule of protein ?

A. One

B. Two

C. As many codons

D. Many

**Answer: A**



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**67. Intron part of DNA codes for :**

A. Carbohydrate

B. Lipid

C. Polypeptide

D. None

**Answer: D**



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**68.** A nonsense codon is :

A. UAG

B. UAA

C. Both (a) and (b)

D. UUU

**Answer: C**



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69. Fill in the blank: The gene which synthesizes a repressor protein is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. Regulator gene

B. Operator gene

C. Promoter gene

D. Structural gene

**Answer: A**



70. Which RNA carries the genetic message from nucleus to ribosome ?

A. tRNA

B. mRNA

C. rRna

D. sRNA

**Answer: B**



71. Transcription is the formation of

A. mrna

B. PNA

C. prion

D. protein

**Answer: A**



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72. Genetic code is :

A. Singlet

B. Triplet

C. Doublet

D. None of the above

**Answer: C**



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73. In DNA molecule ,the sugars

- A. Bond to both phosphate groups and nitrogenous bases by covalent bonds
- B. Bond to nitrogenous bases by hydrogen bond
- C. Bond covalently to nitrogenous bases
- D. Bond covalently to phosphate groups

**Answer: A**



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74. The peptide bonds are present between :

A. Nucleic acids

B. Organic acids

C. Fatty acids

D. Amino acids

**Answer: D**



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75. UAA , UAC and UGA are:

- A. Starting codons
- B. Non-overlapping codons
- C. Non-sense codons
- D. Degenerate codons

**Answer: C**



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76. Which of the RNA is smallest and used in feeding of amino acid to a ribosome ?

A. hnRNA

B. trns

C. mRNA

D. rRNA

**Answer: B**



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77. After reaching the cytoplasm the mRNA attaches itself to :

- A. 40 S particle of ribosome
- B. 60 S particle of ribosome
- C. 70 S ribosome
- D. Endoplasmic reticulum

**Answer: A**



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78. The process by which DNA of nucleus passes information to RNA is called :

A. Translocation

B. Transcription

C. Translation

D. Transduction

**Answer: B**



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79. Gene was synthesized in vitro by :

A. Khorana

B. Ochoa

C. Hollay

D. Nirenberg

**Answer: A**



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**80.** DR. Hargobind Khurana has been awarded Nobel prize for research on :

A. Oral contraceptives

B. Hormones

C. Genetic code

D. Immunology

**Answer: C**



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**81.** The minimum length of cistron in base pairs which synthesises a polypeptide of 50 amino acids is :

A. 50 bp

B. 100 bp

C. 150 bp

D. 200 bp

**Answer: C**



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**82.** Genes that are involved in turning on or off the transcription of structural genes are called :

A. Polymorphic genes

B. Operator genes

C. Redundant genes

D. Regulatory genes

**Answer: B**



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**83.** The lac operon is turned on when all lactose molecules bind to

- A. Operator gene
- B. Repressor protein
- C. Promoter gene
- D. m-RNA

**Answer: B**



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**84.** Tryptophan operon is :

A. Repressible system

B. Inducible system

C. Controlled by regulatory gene

D. Made up of three structural genes

**Answer: A**



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**85.** Regulated unit of genetic material is called

:

A. Operator gene

B. Regulatory gene

C. Operon

D. Promoter gene

**Answer: C**



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**86.** Initiation codon is :

A. AUG

B. AGU

C. AAU

D. AUA

**Answer: A**



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**87.** The sequence of genes in lac operon in E. coli are :

- A. Promotor-operator-structural genes
- B. Operator-promoter-structural-genes
- C. Structural gene-operator-promoter
- D. Structural gene-promoter-operator

**Answer: A**



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**88.** Which of the following statements about genetic code is correct ?

A. It is triplet, universal, ambiguous and degenerate.

B. It is triplet, universal, non-ambiguous and degenerate.

C. It is triplet, universal, ambiguous and non-degenerate.

D. It is triplet, universal, non-ambiguous and non-degenerate.

**Answer: B**



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**89.** The binding sites tRNA and amino acid respectively are :

A. mRNA with DHU loop and amino acid with CCA end

B. mRNA with CCA end and amino acid with anti-codon

C. mRNA with anti-codon loop and amino acid with CCA end

D. mRNA with anti-codon loop and amino acid with DHU loop

**Answer: C**



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**90.** A bacteriophage with radioactive DNA and protein when infects a bacterium the

radioactivity inside the bacterium will be located :

A. in DNA

B. in protein

C. both DNA and protein

D. in all parts of bacterial cell

**Answer: A**



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91. The triplet UUU codes for :

A. Leucine

B. Methionine

C. Phenylalanine

D. Glycine

**Answer: C**



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92. The term ecosystem was proposed by Odum

- A. Hershey and Chase
- B. Khorana and Nirenberg
- C. Kornberg and Ochoa
- D. Beadle and Tatum

**Answer: D**



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93. The term gene was coined by \_\_\_\_\_

A. Mendel

B. Johannsen

C. Morgan

D. Bateson

**Answer: B**



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**94.** Recipient of Nobel prize for DNA double helical :

- A. Watson and Crick
- B. Khorana and Nirenberg
- C. Kornberg and Ochoa
- D. Beadle and Tatum

**Answer: A**



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95. mRNA is synthesized over DNA double in the direction

A.  $5' \rightarrow 3'$

B.  $3' \rightarrow 5'$

C. Both a and b

D. Depends on DNA strand

**Answer: A**



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96. Okazaki fragments are :

A. RNA primers

B. Short DNA fragments on lagging strand

C. Short DNA fragments on leading strand

D. DNA fragments from radiation

**Answer: B**



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97. Which one is codes for amino acids ?

A. Cistron

B. Exon

C. Intron

D. Codon

**Answer: D**



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98. Wobble hypothesis was given by :

A. Holly

B. Nirenberg

C. Khorana

D. Crick

**Answer: D**



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**99.** In genetic code dictionary codons used to code for all the 20 essential amino acids are :

A. 20

B. 60

C. 61

D. 64

**Answer: C**



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**100.** Which of the following inhibits protein synthesis by binding to 50S ribosomes ?

- A. Tetracyclin
- B. Streptomycin
- C. Erythromycin
- D. Penicillin

**Answer: C**



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**101.** Initiating codon in prokaryote is :

A. AGU

B. AAU

C. AUG

D. AUA

**Answer: C**



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**102.** Termination codon which stops further addition of amino acids to the polypeptide chain is :

A. AAU

B. GUG

C. AUG

D. UAG

**Answer: D**



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**103.** Gene which is responsible for the synthesis of a polypeptide chain is called :

- A. Operator gene
- B. Regulatory gene
- C. Promoter gene
- D. Structural gene

**Answer: D**



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**104.** In the operon system , the repressor protein can bind only with the :

- A. Structural gene
- B. Regulatory gene
- C. Operator gene
- D. Promoter gene

**Answer: C**



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**105.** All the termination codons begin with the nucleotide of :

A. Adenine

B. Uracil

C. Guanine

D. Cytosine

**Answer: B**



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**106.** Nitrogenous bases do not contain :

A. Hydrogen

B. Nitrogen

C. Carbon

D. Phosphorus

**Answer: D**



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**107.** write short notes on the following -

Structure of lac operon

- A. an operator
- B. Structural genes
- C. an enhancer
- D. a promoter

**Answer: C**



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**108.** Describe the semiconservative model of DNA replication

A. fungus

B. bacterium

C. plant

D. virus

**Answer: B**



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