



# BIOLOGY

## BOOKS - MBD

### SEXUAL REPRODUCTION IN FLOWERING PLANTS

#### Example

1. Name the most important characteristics of plants and animals.



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**2. What is reproduction?**



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**3. Give examples of dioecious plants.**



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**4. What is flower?**



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**5. What is bithecos anther ?**



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**6. What is homogamy?**



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**7. Name the two parts of a typical stamen?**



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8. Write functions of outer three wall layers of microsporangium.



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9. Orinthophilous flowers are pollinated by.....



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**10. What are germ pores?**



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**11. Why Pollen grain can be preserved as fossils?**



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**12. What is chemical nature of exine?**



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**13.** How many nuclei are present in mature pollen tube in angiospermic plant just before fertilization?



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**14.** Give one example of wind pollinated plant.



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**15.** The approximate size of generally spherical pollen grain is.



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**16.** Name the two cells present in mature pollen grain.



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**17.** What are the diadvantages of self-pollination?



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**18.** What is double fertilization?



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**19.** Is emasculation required in all kinds of flower.





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20. Name the components of a typical dicotyledonous embryo.



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21. Name the parts of angiospermic flower in which development of male and female gametophyte take place.



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**22.** Differentiate between microsporogenesis and megasporogenesis. Which type of cell division occurs during these events? Name the structures formed at the end of these two events.



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**23.** Arrange the following terms in a correct development sequence: Pollen grain,

sporogenous tissue, microscope tetrad, pollen mother cell, male gamete.



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**24.** With a neat labelled diagram describe the parts of a typical angiosperm ovule.



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**25.** What do you mean by monosporic development of female gametophyte?



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**26.** With the help of diagrams, explain the development of female gametophyte from a microspore in an angiosperm.



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**27.** What are possible types of pollination in chasmogamous flowers. Give reasons.



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**28.** List three strategies that a bisexual chasmogamous flower can evolve to prevent self pollination (autogamy).



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**29.** Why does self-incompatibility not lead to seed formation in self-incompatible species ?



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**30.** What is bagging technique? How is it useful in plant breeding programmes?



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**31.** What is triple fusion ? Where and how does it take place ? Name nuclei involved in triple fusion.



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**32.** Why do you think the zygote is dormant for sometime in a fertilized ovule?



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**33.** Differentiate:

hypocotyl and epicotyl



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**34.** Where would you look for coleoptile and coleorhiza?



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**35.** Differentiate:

Integument and testa



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**36. Differentiate:**

Perisperm and pericarp.



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**37. Why is apple called a false fruit? Which part of flower form its fruit?**



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**38.** What is meant by emasculation? When and why a plant breeder employ this technique?



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**39.** If one can induce parthenocarpy through the application of growth substances, which fruits would you select for parthenocarpy and why?



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**40.** Explain the role of tapetum in the pollen grain wall formation.



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**41.** What is Apomixis ? What is its importance ?



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**42.** Name the component cells of egg apparatus in an embryo sac.





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**43.** Name the part of gynoecium that determines the compatible nature of pollen grain.



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**44.** Name the common function that cotyledons and nucellus perform.



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**45.** The meiocyte of onion plant contain 32 chromosome. Workout the number of chromosome found in its endosperm?



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**46.** Study of pollen grains is called

A. a. microbiology

B. b. anthology

C. c. palynology

D. d. pomology

**Answer:**



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**47.** Name the parts of the gynoecium which develop into fruit and seeds.



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**48.** In a case of polyembryony, if an embryo develops from the synergid and another from the nucellus which is haploid and which is diploid?



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**49.** Can an unfertilised apomictic embryo sac give rise to a diploid embryo? If yes then how?



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**50.** What is self-incompatibility ?



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**51.** Name the type of pollination in self - incompatible plants.



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**52.** Draw a labelled diagram of the internal structure of a mature embryo sac of an



angiosperm.



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**53.** Which is the triploid tissue in a fertilised ovule ? How is the triploid condition achieved ?



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**54.** Are pollination and fertilisation necessary in apomixis? Give reasons.



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**55.** The flower of brinjal is referred to as chasmogamous, while that of beans is cleistogamous. How are they different from each other?



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**56.** How is pollination carried out in water plants?



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**57.** What is the function of two male gametes produced by each pollen grain in angiosperms?



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**58.** List three strategies that a bisexual chasmogamous flower can evolve to prevent self pollination (autogamy).



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**59.** Given below are events that are observed in an artificial hybridisation programme. Arrange them in correct sequential order in which they are followed in hybridization programme.

Re-bagging

Selection of parents

Bagging

Dusting of pollen on stigma

Emasculation

Collection of pollen from male parent.



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60. Name the type of pollination in self - incompatible plants.



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61. An anther with malfunctioning tapetum often fails to produce viable male gametophyte. Give one reason?



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**62.** What is polyembryony and how can it be commercially exploited?



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**63.** Vivipary automatically limits the number of offspring in a litter. Why?



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**64.** What is polyembryony? How can it be commercially exploited?



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**65.** Are parthenocarpy and apomixis different phenomena? Discuss.



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**66.** Why does the zygote begin divide only after the division of primary endosperm cell (PEC) ?



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**67.** The generative cell of a two-celled pollen divides in the pollen tube but not in a three-celled pollen. Give reasons.



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**68.** The true embryo develops as a result to fusion of

- A. a. two polar nuclei of embryo sac
- B. b. egg cell and male gamete
- C. c. synergid and male gamete
- D. d. antipodal cell and male gamete

**Answer:**



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**69.** Describe the stages in embryo development in a dicot plant.



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**70.** What are possible types of pollination in chasmogamous flowers. Give reasons.



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71. Draw a labelled diagram of the internal structure of a mature embryo sac of an angiosperm.



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72. Write about the structure of microsporangium with suitable diagram



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**73.** Embryo sacs of some apomictic species appear normal but contain diploid cells. Suggest a suitable explanation for this condition.



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**74.** Among the terms listed below those that are not correct names for a floral whorl are:

Androecium

Carpel

Corolla

Sepal

A. I and iv

B. iii and iv

C. ii and iv

D. I and iii

**Answer:**



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75. Embryo sac is to ovule as is to an anther.

A. Stamen

B. Filament

C. Pollin grain

D. Androecium

**Answer:**



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76. In a typical complete, bisexual and hypogynous flower the arrangements of floral whorls on the thalamus from the outer most to the innermost is

A. Calyx, corolla, androecium and gynoecium

B. Calyx, corolla, gynoecium and androecium

C. Gynoecium, androecium, corolla and calyx

D. Androecium, gynoecium, corolla and  
clayx

**Answer:**



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**77.** A dicotyledonous plant bears flowers but never produces fruits and seeds. The most probable cause for the above situation is:



- A. Plant is dioecious and bears only pistillate flowers
- B. Plant is dioecious and bears both pistillate and staminate flowers
- C. Plant is monoecious
- D. Plant is dioecious and bears only staminate flowers.

**Answer:**



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78. The outermost and innermost wall layers of micro-sporangium in an anther are respectively.

A. Endothecium and tapetum

B. Epidermis and endodermis

C. Epidermis and middle layer

D. Epidermis and tapetum

**Answer:**



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79. During microsporogenesis, meiosis occur in:

- A. Endothecium
- B. Microspore mother cells
- C. Microspore tetrads
- D. Pollen grains

**Answer:**



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**80.** From among the sets of terms given below, identify those that are associated with the gynoecium.

A. Stigma, ovule, embryo sac, placenta

B. Thalamus, pistil, style, ovule

C. Ovule, ovary, embryo sac, tapetum

D. Ovule, stamen ovary, embryo sac

**Answer:**



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**81.** Starting from the innermost part, the correct sequence of parts in an ovule are:

- A. egg, nucellus, embryo sac, integument
- B. egg, embryo sac, nucellus, integument
- C. embryo sac, nucellus, integument, egg
- D. egg, integument, embryo sac, nucellus

**Answer:**



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**82.** From the statements given below choose the option that are true for a typical female gametophyte of a flowering plant:

It is 8-nucleate and 7-celled at maturity

It is free-nuclear during the development

It is situated inside the integument but outside the nucellus

It has an egg apparatus situated at the chalazal end.

A. I and iv

B. ii and iii

C. I and ii

D. ii and iv

**Answer:**



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**83.** Autogamy can occur in a chasmogamous flower if:

A. Pollen matures before maturity of ovule.

B. Ovules mature before maturity of pollen

C. Both pollen and ovules mature simultaneously

D. Both anther and stigma are of equal lengths

**Answer:**



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**84.** Choose the correct statement from the following:



A. Cleistogamous flowers always exhibit autogamy

B. Chasmogamous flowers always exhibit geitonogamy

C. Cleistogamous flowers exhibit both autogamy and geitonogamy

D. Chasmogamous flowers never exhibit autogamy

**Answer:**



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**85.** A particular species of plant produces light, non-sticky pollen in large numbers and its stigmas are long and feathery. These modification facilitate pollination by:

A. Insects

B. Water

C. Wind

D. Animals

**Answer:**



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86. In a fertilised embryo sac, the haploid, diploid and triploid structures are;

- A. Synergid, zygote and primary endosperm nucleus
- B. Synergid, antipodal and polar nuclei
- C. Antipodal, synergid and polar nuclei
- D. Synergid, polar nuclei and zygote.

**Answer:**



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**87.** In an embryo sac, the cells that degenerate after fertilisation are:

- A. Synergids and primary endosperm cell
- B. Synergids and antipodals
- C. Antipodals and primary endosperm cell
- D. Egg and antipodals

**Answer:**



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**88.** While planning for an artificial hybridization programme involving dioecious plants, which of the following steps would not be relevant:

- A. Bagging of female flower
- B. Dusting of pollen on stigma
- C. Emasculation

## D. Collection of pollen

**Answer:**



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**89.** In the embryos of a typical dicot and a grass, true homologous structures are:

- A. Coleorhiza and coleoptile
- B. Coleoptile and scutellum
- C. Cotyledons and scutellum

D. Hypocotyl and radicle

**Answer:**



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**90.** The phenomenon observed in some plants wherein parts of the sexual apparatus is used for forming embryos without fertilisation is called:

A. Parthenocarpy

B. Apomixis

C. Vegetative propagation

D. Sexual reproduction

**Answer:**



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**91. What is homogamy?**



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**92.** Name the structure formed by development of microsporangia.



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**93.** What is chemical nature of exine?



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**94.** Why Pollen grain can be preserved as fossils?



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**95.** Mention the pollinating agent of an inflorescence of small dull coloured flowers with well exposed stamens and large feathery stigma. Give any one characteristics of pollen grain produced by such flowers.



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**96.** A bilobed, dithecous anther has 100  
microscopes                  mother                  cells                  per

microsporangium. How many male  
gameophytes this anther can produce?



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**97.** Which are the three cells found in pollen  
grains when it is shed at the three celled  
stage?



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**98.** Name the part of flower which the tassels of corn-cob represent.



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**99.** Differentiate flower and inflorescence.



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**100.** List the functions of a flower.



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**101.** Why are angiosperm anthers called dithecous?



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**102.** Write about the structure of microsporangium with suitable diagram



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**103.** Name the various methods by which anther dehisces.



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**104.** Describe the structure of typical microspore (pollen grain).



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**105.** Name the organic material of exine and intine of an angiospermic pollen grain. Mention their role.



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**106.** What is pollen allergy? Illustrate with an example.



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**107.** Why are pollens used as energy supplements?



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**108.** Is it possible to store pollens? If yes, what is the significance?



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**109.** Describe the structure of typical embryo sac and the functions performed by its various constituents.



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**110.** Draw a diagram of a mature embryo sac of angiosperm, label its any six parts.



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**111.** Describe the process of megasporogenesis, in an angiosperm.



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**112.** Describe the forms of ovules.



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**113.** Tabulate the differences between self-pollination and cross-pollination.



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**114.** Give advantages of self pollination.



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**115.** What are the diadvantages of self-pollination?



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**116.** Write four characteristics of wind pollinated flowers.



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**117.** Write any six characteristic features of Entomophilous flowers.



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**118.** Give advantages of cross-pollination.



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**119.** Some flowers, selected for artificial hybridisation, do not require emasculation but bagging is essential for them. Give a reason.



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**120.** Differentiate anemophilous and entomophilous flowers.



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**121.** Give a labelled diagram of pistil showing in if the path of male gametophyte from the stigma to embryo sac.



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**122.** Write steps of double fertilization.



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**123.** Give an account of significance of double fertilisation.



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**124.** Differentiate dicot and monocot embryos.



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**125.** List the post-fertilization events in angiosperms.



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**126.** Describe the development of monocot embryo with suitable diagrams.



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**127.** Describe the structure of fruit.



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**128.** Write an account on various types of fruit.



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**129.** What are main functions of fruits?



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**130.** Explain the biological and economic importance of fruits.



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**131.** What are advantages of seeds to plants and mankind?



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**132.** What is fate of floral parts after fertilisation?



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**133.** Explain the structure of monocot endospermic seed with the help of well labelled diagram.



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**134.** Draw a seed of angiosperms.



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**135.** Banana is a parthenocarpic fruit whereas oranges show polyembryony. How are they different from each other with respect to seeds?



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**136.** Where does triple fusion take place in a flower plant? why is it called to?



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**137.** Even though each pollen grain has two male gametes, why are at least 10 pollen grains and not 5 pollen grains required to fertilise 10 ovules in a particular carpel?



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**138.** Suppose haploid number chromosomes in a flowering plant is 12, what will be the ploidy in the cells for integuments, nucellus, antipodals, endosperm and embryo of that plant?



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**139.** How many haploid cells are present in mature female gametophyte of a flowering plant. Name them.



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**140.** "Apomixis is a form of asexual reproduction that mimics sexual reproduction

in plants". Explain with the help of a suitable example.



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**141.** Where is sporopollenin present plants. State its significance with reference to its chemical nature?



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**142.** Geitonogamous flowering plants are genetically autogamous but functionally cross pollinated. Justify.



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**143.** How are parthenocarpic fruit produced by some plants and apomictic seeds by some? Explain.



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**144.** When do farmers prefer using apomictic seeds?



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**145.** State advantages and disadvantages of cleistogamy?



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**146.** In a fruit, name the parts which is protective in function and that which is responsible for producing new plants.



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**147.** Draw diagram showing false fruits of apple and strawberry.



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**148.** Draw a well labelled diagram of T.S. of anther



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**149.** Draw a longitudinal section of a post-pollinated pistil showing entry of pollen tube into a mature embryo sac. Label filiform apparatus, chalazal end, hilum, antipodals, male gametes and secondary nucleus.



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**150.** Explain the germination of pollen grain.



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**151.** Describe the structure of a typical monosporic embryo sac found in flowering plant.



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**152.** Discuss in detail the development of dicot embryo with suitable diagrams.



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**153.** Why does endosperm development precede embryo development in angiosperm seeds? State the role of endosperm in mature albuminous seeds.



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**154.** The following statements describe the wind pollinated plants. Which one of these statements is incorrect?

A. (i) The pollen grains are sticky

B. (ii) Stamens are well exposed

C. (iii) Flowers often have a single ovule

D.

**Answer:**



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**155.** Write briefly about formation of Endosperm. Explain three types of Endosperms with diagrams.



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**156.** Give a brief account of post-pollination events.



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157. Differentiate simple, aggregate and composite fruit.



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## Exercise

1. What is the genetic constitution of endosperm in angiosperms?



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2. Mention the reason for difference in ploidy of zygote and primary endosperm nucleus in an angiosperm?



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3. Name the sperm lysins. Which organelle secretes it. What is its function?



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4. Fertilization is not an obligatory event for fruit production in certain plants. Explain the statement.



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5. Where would you look for coleoptile and coleorhiza?



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6. On the basis of structure of the embryo, how would you identify whether a given sample of seeds belongs to a monocotyledonous plant or dicotyledonous plant?



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7. In a flower, if the megaspore mother cell forms megaspores without undergoing

meiosis and if one of the megaspore develops into an embryo sac, its nuclei would be:

- A. Haploid
- B. Diploid
- C. A few haploid and a few diploid
- D. With varying ploidy.

**Answer:**



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**8.** In some plants, the female gamete develops into embryo without fertilization. This phenomenon is known as :

- A. Parthenocarpy
- B. Apomixis
- C. Asexual reproduction
- D. Sexual reproduction

**Answer:**



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9. Define triple fusion. What is bagging technique?



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10. Why are banana seedless?



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11. How tapetal cell in microsporangium can become binucleate?



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**12.** What is Apomixis ? What is its importance ?



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**13.** Differentiate true fruit and false fruit. Give example in each case.



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**14.** Give the structure of pollen grain.



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**15.** Describe the post-fertilisation changes in a flower.



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**16.** Describe the stages in embryo development in a dicot plant.





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**17.** Why the cleavage in mammals referred as simple holoblastic?



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**18.** Draw a diagram of fertilized embryo sac showing zygote and PEN.



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**19.** Why does endosperm development precede embryo development in angiosperm seeds? State the role of endosperm in mature albuminous seeds.



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