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1. Which of the following is true about kinetic effect of competitive inhibition?
 - A) Decrease K_m without affecting V_{max}
 - B) Increases K_m without affecting V_{max}
 - C) Decreases both K_m and V_{max}
 - D) Increases both K_m and V_{max}

 2. The amino acid abundantly found in collagen:
 - A) Methionine
 - B) Glycine
 - C) Tryptophan
 - D) Glutamic acid

 3. The primary function of Golgi apparatus in eukaryotic cells is:
 - A) Protein synthesis
 - B) Lipid synthesis
 - C) Modification and packing of proteins
 - D) Beta oxidation of fatty acids

 4. Assertion (A) : Fatty acids with an odd number of carbon atoms can be fully oxidized through beta-oxidation.
Reason (R) : The final product of beta-oxidation acetyl- CoA, can be incorporated into the citric acid cycle regardless of the carbon atom number.
 - A) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A
 - B) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A
 - C) A is true, but R is false
 - D) R is true, but A is false

 5. Glutathione is a :
 - A) Polypeptide
 - B) Tripeptide
 - C) Oligopeptide
 - D) Glycoprotein

 6. Assertion (A) : Genetic drift has more significant impact on small populations in disrupting the Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium compared to large populations.
Reason (R) : In smaller populations, chance events can lead to random fluctuations in allele frequencies.
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 - B) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A
 - C) A is true, but R is false
 - D) Both A and R are false

7. In a clinical trial, if a researcher fails to reject the null hypothesis when it is false, what type of error is made?
 A) Type I error B) Type II error
 C) Sampling error D) Measurement error
8. The enzyme responsible for the conversion of citrate to isocitrate in TCA cycle:
 A) Citrate synthase B) Succinyl CoA synthetase
 C) Aconitase D) Isocitrate dehydrogenase.
9. Identity the autosomal dominant disorders:
 1. Huntington's chorea 2. Cystic fibrosis
 3. Myotonic dystrophy 4. Sickle cell anemia
 A) 1 & 2 only B) 1 & 3 only C) 2 & 4 only D) 1, 2, 3 & 4
10. Identify the **incorrect** option about penetrance is 100% :
 A) All recessive genotype shows one phenotype
 B) The expressivity is 100%
 C) All dominant genotypes have a different phenotype
 D) All the heterozygotes have similar phenotype
11. Pink pages in red data book represent:
 A) Extinct animals B) Critically endangered animals
 C) Threatened animals D) Extinct deep sea animals
12. Monocondylic skull is found in:
 1. Amphibians 2. Reptiles 3. Aves 4. Mammals
 A) 1 & 2 only B) 2 & 3 only C) 3 & 4 only D) 3 only
13. When an animal learns to perform certain functions in response to many indifferent stimuli but without any apparent reward or punishment, it is called:
 A) Insight learning B) Trial and error learning
 C) Latent learning D) None of these
14. Male induction of estrous is called:
 A) Vanderbergh effect B) Bruce effect
 C) Whitten effect D) McClintock effect
15. *Neopilina galathea* belongs to:
 A) Scaphopoda B) Gastropoda
 C) Monoplacophora D) Amphineura

16. Identify the correct options about Bence Jones protein:
1. Presence of Bence Jones protein in urine indicates Multiple myeloma
 2. Bence Jones proteins are derived from gamma globulins
 3. Bence Jones protein is derived from alpha globulin
- A) 1 only B) 1 & 2 only C) 3 only D) 1, 2 & 3
17. A group of co-existing species which share a common niche is called:
- A) Deme B) Subspecies C) Guild D) Race
18. Assertion (A): Recombination frequency never exceeds 50% but map distance can exceed 50 centiMorgans.
Reason (R): The genes that are 50 map unit or apart, will behave as if they are independent of one another.
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B) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A
C) A is true, but R is false
D) Both A and R are false
19. Species which are morphologically identical but do not interbreed are called:
- A) Subspecies B) Sibling species
C) Polytypic species D) Allopatric species
20. Organisms that can tolerate narrow range of temperature are called:
- A) Stenothermal B) Ectotherms
C) Endothermal D) Eurythermal
21. Cydippid is the larval stage of :
- A) Porifera B) Cnidaria C) Ctenophora D) Platyhelminthes
22. Lakshadweep is :
- A) Atoll B) Fringing reef C) Barrier reef D) Oceanic islands
23. Which of the following are free swimming larvae:
1. Miracidium 2. Sporocyst 3. Redia
 4. Cercaria 5. Metacercaria
- A) 1 & 4 only B) 3 & 4 only C) 1 & 3 only D) 3, 4 & 5 only
24. Camel belongs to the order:
- A) Chiroptera B) Artiodactyla C) Cetacea D) Perissodactyla
25. Identify the correct sequence of evolution of horse:
1. Pliohippus 2. Meryhippus 3. Eohippus
 4. Equus 5. Mesohippus
- A) 3-5-2-1-4 B) 1-3-5-4-2 C) 2-1-3-5-4 D) 5-2-1-3-4

26. Which following biogeographical realm includes India?
 A) Neotropical B) Oriental C) Palearctic D) Nearctic
27. The 60S subunit of ribosome contains:
 1. 5S rRNA 2. 5.8S rRNA 3. 28S rRNA 4. 16S rRNA
 A) 1,2& 3 only B) 1& 4 only C) 2,3&4 only D) 1, 2, 3 & 4
28. How does nuclear pore complex discriminate between different molecules during transport?
 1. Size exclusion 2. Charge-based selection
 3. Recognition by specific transport receptors 4. Lipid solubility
 A) 1 only B) 2 only C) 1,2 &3 only D) 1, 2, 3 & 4
29. Ecdysone is secreted by:
 A) Prothoracic gland B) Corpora allata
 C) Corpora cardiac D) None of these
30. The amino acids known as semi-indispensible:
 1. Glutamic acid 2. Arginine 3. Methionine 4. Histidine
 A) 1,2 & 3 only B) 2 & 4 only C) 3 &4 only D) 1,2,3 & 4
31. The receptors for vibrations and deep pressure are:
 A) Meissner's corpuscles B) Pacinian corpuscles
 C) Krause end bulbs D) None of these
32. In cellulose D- glucose molecules are held together by:
 A) Beta 1,4 glycosidic bond B) Alpha 1,4 glycosidic bond
 C) Beta 1,6 glycosidic bond D) Alpha 1,6glycosidic bond
33. Which among the following are polysaturated fatty acids?
 1. Linoleic acid 2. Arachidonic acid
 3. Palmitic acid 4. Stearic acid
 A) 1 & 3 only B) 1 &2 only C) 3 & 4 only D) 1, 2& 4 only
34. The compounds having 1,2-cyclopentanoperhydrophenanthrene nuclei are called :
 A) Steroids B) Prostaglandins
 C) Cephalins D) Glycolipids
35. Low Km value indicates:
 A) High substrate affinity B) Low substrate affinity
 C) High reaction rate D) Low reaction rate

36. The vitamin which is an antioxidant and plays a role in maintaining the health of the skin and mucous membrane?
 A) Vitamin A B) Vitamin B C) Vitamin E D) Vitamin K
37. How does the body repay muscle oxygen debt after intense exercise?
 A) Increased oxygen intake through breathing.
 B) Increased heart rate
 C) Continued anaerobic metabolism
 D) All of these
38. In constructing phylogenetic trees using molecular data, what does a longer branch length typically indicate?
 A) Greater genetic similarity
 B) More recent common ancestry
 C) Faster molecular evolution
 D) Slower evolutionary rates.
39. In alloenzyme polymorphism studies, how are variations in enzymes typically identified?
 A) Density gradient centrifugation
 B) DNA sequence analysis
 C) Gene expression profiling
 D) Electrophoretic mobility
40. How does the sex index in *Drosophila* relate to the genes responsible for sex determination?
 A) It reflects the activity of sex-determining genes on autosomes
 B) It indicates the presence of sex-linked genes on the X-chromosomes
 C) It correlates with the number of genes of the Y chromosome
 D) It is independent of the genetic basis of sex determination
41. Assertion (A): Allopolyploidy among animals is extremely rare.
 Reason (R) : Allopolyploidy involves the condition of chromosomes sets from different species and the reproductive barriers between animal species typically prevent the occurrence of allopolyploid individuals.
- A) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A
 B) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A
 C) A is true, but R is false
 D) R is true, but A is false
42. What is the significance of telomerase in relation to aging and cellular senescence?
 A) Telomerase accelerates aging by promoting cell division
 B) Telomerase prevents aging by repairing cellular damage
 C) Telomerase has no impact on aging process
 D) Telomerase helps maintain telomere length, slowing down the aging process

43. The primary function of desmosomes in cells is to:
- Provide structural support and mechanical strength by anchoring adjacent cells together
 - Facilitate communication and exchange of molecules between neighboring cells
 - Generate and conduct electrical impulses in excitable cells
 - Regulate the passage of ions and small molecules across the cell membrane
44. Identify the **wrong** statements:
- Aneuploidy is caused due to non-disjunction
 - Primary non-disjunction occurs during first meiotic division
 - Secondary non-disjunction occurs during second meiotic division.
 - Autopolyploids mostly exhibit exaggerations of characteristics already prevailing among diploid individuals.
- A) 1 & 2 only B) 2 & 3 only C) 3 & 4 only D) None of these
45. Which of the following represents nullisomic condition?
- A) $2n-1$ B) $2n-2$ C) $2n+1$ D) $2n+2$
46. Microsatellites, also known as short tandem repeats (STRs), are:
- Short sequences of DNA that are repeated in tandem and vary in the number of repeats among individuals
 - Highly conserved sequences of DNA that are present in multiple copies in the genome
 - Regions of the genome that contain polymorphic single nucleotide variations
 - Sequences of DNA that are located at the ends of linear chromosomes
47. In garden pea plant tall is dominant over dwarf and yellow seed is dominant over green seed. A heterozygous tall, yellow seeded plant is self-crossed and 80 seeds were obtained. How many of them would be tall -yellow seeded?
- A) 16 B) 5 C) 45 D) 15
48. A phase contrast microscope:
- Enhances contrast of transparent specimens by exploiting differences in refractive index
 - Relies on staining techniques to highlight specific structures within the specimen
 - Uses fluorescent labels to visualize cellular components
 - Produces 3D images of the surface of objects
49. Which of the following is an example of a point mutation?
- Deletion of an entire chromosome
 - Duplication of a chromosomal segment
 - Substitution of one nucleotide for another
 - Inversion of a chromosome segment.

50. Random Amplified Polymorphic DNA (RAPD) analysis is based on variations in the:
- Length of DNA fragments produced by different restriction enzymes
 - Sequence of DNA fragments produced by PCR amplification using random primers
 - Mobility of DNA fragments in a gel matrix
 - Hybridization efficiency of DNA fragments
51. Which of the following is a tool provided by NCBI for searching and retrieving information from various biological databases?
- PDB
 - Swiss-PROT
 - Entrez
 - GenBank
52. Match the following:
- | List I | List II |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| a. Ernst Haeckel | 1. Two kingdom system |
| b. Carolus Linnaeus | 2. Three kingdom system |
| c. Robert Whittaker | 3. Four kingdom system |
| d. Herbert F. Copeland | 4. Five kingdom system |
- a-2, b-1, c-4, d-3
 - a-3, b-2, c-4, d-1
 - a-2, b-3, c-1, d-4
 - a-1, b-3, c-2, d-4
53. Cladistics is an approach to biological classification in which organisms are categorized in groups based on:
- morphological similarities
 - most recent common ancestry
 - the number of common characters
 - the anatomical resemblances
54. According to International Code of Zoological Nomenclature scientific naming should avoid:
- Principle of priority
 - Homonymy
 - Preservation of well-established names
 - None of these
55. Identify the feature present in some prokaryotes, but absent in eukaryotes:
- Peptidoglycan cell wall
 - Plasma membrane
 - Mitochondria
 - Centrioles
56. Biradial symmetry is exhibited by:
- Ctenophora
 - Crustacea
 - Cetacea
 - Cephalopoda
57. Identify the group coming under sub-kingdom Parazoa:
- Ctenophora
 - Rotifera
 - Placozoa
 - Mesozoa

58. In flat worms like Planaria excretion is performed by:
A) Flame cells B) Green gland
C) Nephridia D) Contractile vacuole
59. Radula is a horny, ribbon like structure used for scraping or cutting food, found in the mouths of all mollusks **except**:
A) Gastropods B) Bivalves C) Scaphopods D) Cephalopods
60. Pedicellariae are:
A) small active tubular projections of Echinoderms having role in locomotion, feeding, and respiration
B) fleshy, paddle like segmented appendages of polychaete worms
C) pincer like structures of Echinoderms used in defense and in the removal of unwanted particles from the body
D) adhesive cytoplasmic organelle of ciliate protozoans
61. The survival status of the state bird of Kerala, *Bucerosbicornis*, is indicated by “yellow” colour code in the Red Data Book, which means, the species is:
A) endangered B) vulnerable
C) near threatened D) least concern
62. The following are the respiratory structures of different Arthropods **except**:
A) Gills B) Trachea C) Ctenidia D) Book-lungs
63. Which among the following is a chordate, but not a vertebrate?
A) Ascidia B) Petromyzon C) Sea horse D) Star fish
64. Flightless birds, such as ostriches, belong to the order:
A) Passeriformes B) Galliformes
C) Struthioniformes D) Falconiformes
65. Match the following:
List I List II
a. Coconut 1. *Saissetia nigra*
b. Sugar cane 2. *Leptocorisa varicornis*
c. Rubber 3. *Pyrrilla perpusilla*
d. Rice 4. *Rhynchophorus ferrugineus*
- A) a-3, b-2, c-1, d-4 B) a-2, b-3, c-4, d-1
C) a-4, b-1, c-3, d-2 D) a-4, b-3, c-1, d-2
66. The scientific name of the ornamental fish, known as “Miss Kerala”:
A) *Puntius denisonii* B) *Poecilia reticulata*
C) *Xiphophorus maculatus* D) *Pterophyllum scalare*

76. Learning that occurs without any obvious reinforcement or reward, and which is **not** immediately expressed in behaviour:
- A) Insight learning B) Latent learning
C) Imprinting D) Operant learning
77. Leptin is a regulator of appetite secreted from:
- A) Enteroendocrine cells in ileum and colon
B) Parietal cells in gastric fundus
C) Adipocytes throughout the body
D) Arcuate nucleus of hypothalamus
78. Match the following:
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| List I | List II |
| a. Pepsin | 1. small intestine |
| b. Chymotrypsin | 2. stomach |
| c. maltase | 3. pancreas |
| d. ptyalin | 4. salivary glands |
- A) a-3, b-2, c-1, d-4 B) a-2, b-3, c-4, d-1
C) a-3, b-1, c-2, d-4 D) a-2, b-3, c-1, d-4
79. Hamburger phenomenon:
- A) Low level of oxyhaemoglobin enables blood to transport more carbon dioxide
B) High level of H^+ ions promote oxygen release from oxyhaemoglobin
C) Transport of bicarbonate ion from red blood cell into blood plasma in exchange for a chloride ion
D) None of the above
80. Tachycardia:
- A) Persistent resting adult heart rate above 100 beats per minute
B) Persistent resting adult heart rate below 60 beats per minute
C) Persistent resting adult heart rate between 60 and 100 beats per minute
D) None of the above
81. The blood cells that play a critical role in pathogen-specific immunity by producing antibodies:
- A) T lymphocytes B) Thrombocytes
C) B lymphocytes D) Eosinophils
82. The maturation of T lymphocytes takes place within:
- A) Thyroid gland B) Parathyroid gland
C) Thymus gland D) Bone marrow
83. The cells in the distal convoluted tubule concerned with reabsorption of K^+ and secretion of H^+ :
- A) Principal cells B) Intercalated cells
C) Parietal cells D) Mesangial cells

95. Identify the exclusively ketogenic aminoacids in humans that can be degraded directly into acetyl-CoA, which is the precursor of ketone bodies:
- A) Glutamic acid and Glutamine
 - B) Asparagine and Aspartic acid
 - C) leucine and lysine
 - D) Serine and Valine
96. Which among the following is used as a standard laboratory method to quantify the radioactivity of low energy radioisotopes?
- A) liquid scintillation counter
 - B) ion exchange chromatography
 - C) ELISA
 - D) Nuclear Magnetic Resonance spectroscopy
97. Chi-square test is used to:
- A) Examine whether two categorical variables are independent in influencing the test statistics
 - B) Determine the significance of the difference between the means of two sets of data
 - C) Split an observed aggregate variability found inside a data set into two parts
 - D) Express the probability of a given number of events occurring in a fixed interval of time or space
98. In a cross involving two genes that exhibit recessive epistasis, what phenotypic ratio would be expected in the F₂ generation?
- A) 15:1 B) 9:4:3 C) 9:3:3:1 D) 12:3:1
99. DNA polymerase enzyme involved in the replication of mitochondrial DNA:
- A) DNA polymerase α (alpha)
 - B) DNA polymerase β (beta)
 - C) DNA polymerase γ (gamma)
 - D) DNA polymerase δ (delta)
100. The cloning vector ideal for carrying large DNA segments like eukaryotic genes:
- A) Yeast artificial chromosomes
 - B) Plasmids
 - C) Cosmids
 - D) Phagemids
101. The molecules separated using electrophoresis can be transferred to nylon membranes in:
- A) Southern blotting only
 - B) Northern blotting only
 - C) Southern blotting and Northern blotting
 - D) Southern blotting, Northern blotting, and Western blotting

102. The first approved gene therapy procedure was used to treat:
 A) Cystic fibrosis B) Huntington's disease
 C) Haemophilia D) Severe combined immunodeficiency
103. Name the first cloned rhesus macaque, using the technique, called "embryo splitting":
 A) ReTro B) Tetra
 C) Lulu and Nana D) Zhong Zhong and Hua Hua
104. The prokaryotic structure absent in mycoplasmas:
 A) Double stranded circular DNA
 B) Peptidoglycan cell wall
 C) Three layered cellular membrane
 D) 70S ribosomes
105. Zika virus is transmitted to people primarily through:
 A) Respiratory droplets and contact routes
 B) The bite of an infected Aedes species mosquito
 C) Bite of an infected female Anopheles mosquito
 D) Direct contact with infected animals, such as bats or pigs, or their body fluids
106. GLUT3 is a class I facilitative glucose transporter mainly present in:
 A) Hepatocytes B) kidney tubule cells
 C) Brain D) intestinal brush border cells
107. The tight junctions are composed of the following proteins **except**:
 A) Occluding B) Junction adhesion molecule proteins
 C) Claudins D) Cadherins
108. The inner mitochondrial membrane is characterized by the presence of an unusual phospholipid:
 A) Cardiolipin B) Porins
 C) ATP synthase D) Mitofilin
109. Cathepsin enzymes produced by lysosomes act on:
 A) Glycogen B) Triacylglycerol
 C) Protein D) DNA and RNA
110. The complex integral for the progression of the cell from the Growth 1 phase to the Synthesis phase of the cell cycle, for the Start or G1/S checkpoint is Cyclin:
 A) A/Cdk1 B) D/Cdk4 C) B/Cdk1 D) A/Cdk2
111. BCR-ABL fusion gene is associated with:
 A) Renal cell cancer
 B) Sporadic thyroid cancer
 C) Invasive ductal breast cancer
 D) Chronic myeloid leukemia

