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136 Which one of the following statements refers to Reductionist Biology?

- (1) Chemical approach to study and understand living organisms.
- (2) Behavioural approach to study and understand living organisms.
- ☒ (3) Physico-chemical approach to study and understand living organisms.
- (4) Physiological approach to study and understand living organisms.

137 After maturation, in primary lymphoid organs, the lymphocytes migrate for interaction with antigens to secondary lymphoid organ(s) / tissue(s) like:

- |                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| A. thymus          | B. bone marrow |
| C. spleen          | D. lymph nodes |
| E. Peyer's patches |                |

Choose the *correct* answer from the options given below:

- (1) E, A, B only
- ☒ (2) C, D, E only
- (3) B, C, D only
- (4) A, B, C only

138 Match List I with List II :

- | List I                   | List II                            |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| A. The Evil Quartet      | I. Cryopreservation                |
| B. Ex situ conservation  | II. Alien species invasion         |
| C. <i>Lantana camara</i> | III. Causes of biodiversity losses |
| D. Dodo                  | IV. Extinction                     |

Choose the option with all correct matches.

- (1) A-III, B-IV, C-II, D-I
- (2) A-III, B-II, C-IV, D-I
- (3) A-III, B-II, C-I, D-IV
- ☒ (4) A-III, B-I, C-II, D-IV

139 How many meiotic and mitotic divisions need to occur for the development of a mature female gametophyte from the megaspore mother cell in an angiosperm plant?

- ☒ (1) 1 Meiosis and 3 Mitosis
- (2) No Meiosis and 2 Mitosis
- (3) 2 Meiosis and 3 Mitosis
- (4) 1 Meiosis and 2 Mitosis

140 Which of the following type of immunity is present at the time of birth and is a non-specific type of defence in the human body?

- (1) Cell-mediated Immunity
- (2) Humoral Immunity
- (3) Acquired Immunity
- ☒ (4) Innate Immunity

141 Given below are two statements :

**Statement I :** Fig fruit is a non-vegetarian fruit as it has enclosed fig wasps in it.

**Statement II :** Fig wasp and fig tree exhibit mutual relationship as fig wasp completes its life cycle in fig fruit and fig fruit gets pollinated by fig wasp.

In the light of the above statements, choose the **most appropriate** answer from the options given below :

- (1) Statement I is correct but statement II is incorrect
- ☒ (2) Statement I is incorrect but statement II is correct
- (3) Both statement I and statement II are correct
- (4) Both statement I and statement II are incorrect



- 142 Given below are two statements : One is labelled as **Assertion (A)** and the other is labelled as **Reason (R)**.

**Assertion (A) :** Cells of the tapetum possess dense cytoplasm and generally have more than one nucleus.

**Reason (R) :** Presence of more than one nucleus in the tapetum increases the efficiency of nourishing the developing microspore mother cells.

In light of the above statements, choose the **most appropriate** answer from the options given below :

- (1) A is true but R is false
- (2) A is false but R is true
- (3) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (4) Both A and R are true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A

- 143 From the statements given below choose the **correct** option :

- A. The eukaryotic ribosomes are 80S and prokaryotic ribosomes are 70S.
- B. Each ribosome has two sub-units.
- C. The two sub-units of 80S ribosome are 60S and 40S while that of 70S are 50S and 30S.
- D. The two sub-units of 80S ribosome are 60S and 20S and that of 70S are 50S and 20S.
- E. The two sub-units of 80S are 60S and 30S and that of 70S are 50S and 30S.

- (1) A, B, E are true
- (2) B, D, E are true
- (3) A, B, C are true
- (4) A, B, D are true

- 144 Which one of the following enzymes contains 'Haem' as the prosthetic group?

- (1) Succinate dehydrogenase
- (2) Catalase
- (3) RuBisCo
- (4) Carbonic anhydrase

- 145 What is the name of the blood vessel that carries deoxygenated blood from the body to the heart in a frog ?

- (1) Pulmonary vein
- (2) Vena cava
- (3) Aorta
- (4) Pulmonary artery

- 146 Given below are the stages in the life cycle of pteridophytes. Arrange the following stages in the correct sequence.

- A. Prothallus stage
- B. Meiosis in spore mother cells
- C. Fertilisation
- D. Formation of archegonia and antheridia in gametophyte.
- E. Transfer of antherozoids to the archegonia in presence of water.

Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below :

- (1) D, E, C, A, B
- (2) E, D, C, B, A
- (3) B, A, D, E, C
- (4) B, A, E, C, D

- 147 The blue and white selectable markers have been developed which differentiate recombinant colonies from non-recombinant colonies on the basis of their ability to produce colour in the presence of a chromogenic substrate.

Given below are two statements about this method:

**Statement I :** The blue coloured colonies have DNA insert in the plasmid and they are identified as recombinant colonies.

**Statement II :** The colonies without blue colour have DNA insert in the plasmid and are identified as recombinant colonies.

In the light of the above statements, choose the **most appropriate** answer from the options given below :

- (1) Statement I is correct but Statement II is incorrect
- (2) Statement I is incorrect but Statement II is correct
- (3) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct
- (4) Both Statement I and Statement II are incorrect



148 Which of the following microbes is **NOT** involved in the preparation of household products?

- A. *Aspergillus niger*
- B. *Lactobacillus*
- C. *Trichoderma polysporum*
- D. *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*
- E. *Propionibacterium sharmanii*

Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below:

- (1) C and D only
- (2) C and E only
- (3) A and B only
- (4) A and C only

149 Silencing of specific mRNA is possible via RNAi because of -

- (1) Complementary tRNA
- (2) Non-complementary ssRNA
- (3) Complementary dsRNA
- (4) Inhibitory ssRNA

150 The complex II of mitochondrial electron transport chain is also known as

- (1) Cytochrome c oxidase
- (2) NADH dehydrogenase
- (3) Cytochrome b<sub>6</sub>
- (4) Succinate dehydrogenase

151 While trying to find out the characteristic of a newly found animal, a researcher did the histology of adult animal and observed a cavity with presence of mesodermal tissue towards the body wall but no mesodermal tissue was observed towards the alimentary canal. What could be the possible coelome of that animal?

- (1) Schizocoelomate
- (2) Spongocoelomate
- (3) Acoelomate
- (4) Pseudocoelomate

152 Given below are two statements :

**Statement I :** In a floral formula  $\oplus$  stands for zygomorphic nature of the flower, and  $\underline{G}$  stands for inferior ovary.

**Statement II :** In a floral formula  $\oplus$  stands for actinomorphic nature of the flower and  $\underline{G}$  stands for superior ovary.

In the light of the above statements, choose the **correct** answer from the options given below:

- (1) Statement I is correct but Statement II is incorrect
- (2) Statement I is incorrect but Statement II is correct
- (3) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct
- (4) Both Statement I and Statement II are incorrect

153 Given below are two statements :

**Statement I :** In ecosystem, there is unidirectional flow of energy of sun from producers to consumers.

**Statement II :** Ecosystems are exempted from 2<sup>nd</sup> law of thermodynamics.

In the light of the above statements, choose the **most appropriate** answer from the options given below :

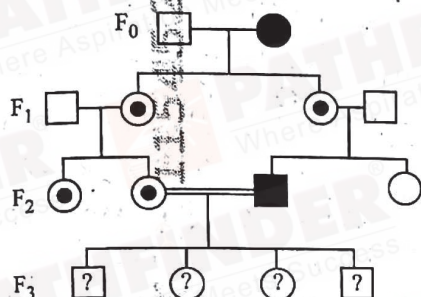
- (1) Statement I is correct but statement II is incorrect
- (2) Statement I is incorrect but statement II is correct
- (3) Both statement I and statement II are correct
- (4) Both statement I and statement II are incorrect

154 Which of the following is the unit of productivity of an Ecosystem?

- (1) KCal m<sup>-3</sup>
- (2) (KCal m<sup>-2</sup>)yr<sup>-1</sup>
- (3) gm<sup>-2</sup>
- (4) KCal m<sup>-2</sup>



- 155 With the help of given pedigree, find out the probability for the birth of a child having no disease and being a carrier (has the disease mutation in one allele of the gene) in  $F_3$  generation.



- Unaffected male  
■ Affected male  
● Carrier female  
○ Unaffected female  
● Affected female

- (1)  $1/8$  (2) Zero  
(3)  $1/4$  (4)  $1/2$

- 156 In the seeds of cereals the outer covering of endosperm separates the embryo by a protein-rich layer called :

- (1) Integument  
(2) Aleurone layer  
(3) Coleoptile  
(4) Coleorhiza

- 157 Match List I with List II :

List I	List II
A. Chlorophyll a	I. Yellow-green
B. Chlorophyll b	II. Yellow
C. Xanthophylls	III. Blue-green
D. Carotenoids	IV. Yellow to Yellow-orange

Choose the option with all correct matches.

- (1) A-I, B-II, C-IV, D-III  
(2) A-I, B-IV, C-III, D-II  
(3) A-III, B-IV, C-II, D-I  
(4) A-III, B-I, C-II, D-IV

- 158 Who proposed that the genetic code for amino acids should be made up of three nucleotides?

- (1) Jacque Monod  
(2) Franklin Stahl  
(3) George Gamow  
(4) Francis Crick

- 159 Histones are enriched with -

- (1) Phenylalanine & Leucine  
(2) Phenylalanine & Arginine  
(3) Lysine & Arginine  
(4) Leucine & Lysine

- 160 Which of the following enzyme(s) are NOT essential for gene cloning?

- A. Restriction enzymes  
B. DNA ligase  
C. DNA mutase  
D. DNA recombinase  
E. DNA polymerase

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) D and E only  
(2) B and C only  
(3) C and D only  
(4) A and B only

- 161 A specialised membranous structure in a prokaryotic cell which helps in cell wall formation, DNA replication and respiration is :

- (1) Cristae  
(2) Endoplasmic Reticulum  
(3) Mesosome  
(4) Chromatophores

- 162 Which factor is important for termination of transcription?

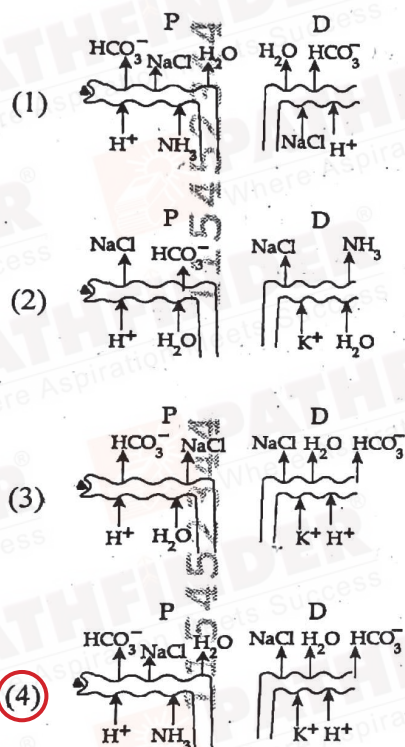
- (1)  $\rho$  (rho) (2)  $\gamma$  (gamma)  
(3)  $\alpha$  (alpha) (4)  $\sigma$  (sigma)



163 Which of the following statement is correct about location of the male frog copulatory pad ?

- (1) Second digit of fore limb
- (2) First digit of the fore limb
- (3) First and Second digit of fore limb
- (4) First digit of hind limb

164 Which of the following diagrams is correct with regard to the proximal (P) and distal (D) tubule of the Nephron.



165 Identify the statement that is NOT correct.

- (1) Antigen binding site is located at C-terminal region of antibody molecules.
- (2) Constant region of heavy and light chains are located at C-terminus of antibody molecules.
- (3) Each antibody has two light and two heavy chains.
- (4) The heavy and light chains are held together by disulfide bonds.

166 Match List I with List II :

List I	List II
A. Scutellum	I. Persistent nucellus
B. Non-albuminous seed	II. Cotyledon of Monocot seed
C. Epiblast	III. Groundnut
D. Perisperm	IV. Rudimentary cotyledon

Choose the option with all correct matches.

- (1) A-IV, B-III, C-I, D-IX
- (2) A-II, B-IV, C-III, D-I
- (3) A-II, B-III, C-IV, D-I
- (4) A-IV, B-III, C-II, D-IX

167 Find the statement that is NOT correct with regard to the structure of monocot stem.

- (1) Vascular bundles are conjoint and closed.
- (2) Phloem parenchyma is absent.
- (3) Hypodermis is parenchymatous.
- (4) Vascular bundles are scattered.

168 Twins are born to a family that lives next door to you. The twins are a boy and a girl. Which of the following must be true?

- (1) They were conceived through in vitro fertilization.
- (2) They have 75% identical genetic content.
- (3) They are monozygotic twins.
- (4) They are fraternal twins.

169 Sweet potato and potato represent a certain type of evolution. Select the correct combination of terms to explain the evolution.

- (1) Homology, convergent
- (2) Analogy, divergent
- (3) Analogy, convergent
- (4) Homology, divergent



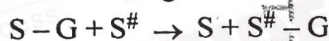
170 Which one of the following phytohormones promotes nutrient mobilization which helps in the delay of leaf senescence in plants?

- (1) Gibberellin (2) Cytokinin  
(3) Ethylene (4) Absciscic acid

171 Why can't insulin be given orally to diabetic patients?

- (1) Because of structural variation  
(2) Its bioavailability will be increased  
(3) Human body will elicit strong immune response  
(4) It will be digested in Gastro-Intestinal (GI) tract

172 Name the class of enzyme that usually catalyze the following reaction:



Where,  $G \rightarrow$  a group other than hydrogen

$S \rightarrow$  a substrate

$S^{\#} \rightarrow$  another substrate

- (1) Transferase (2) Ligase  
(3) Hydrolase (4) Lyase

173 Given below are two statements :

**Statement I :** The DNA fragments extracted from gel electrophoresis can be used in construction of recombinant DNA.

**Statement II :** Smaller size DNA fragments are observed near anode while larger fragments are found near the wells in an agarose gel.

In the light of the above statements, choose the **most appropriate** answer from the options given below :

- (1) Statement I is correct but statement II is incorrect  
(2) Statement I is incorrect but statement II is correct  
(3) Both statement I and statement II are correct  
(4) Both statement I and statement II are incorrect

174 The correct sequence of events in the life cycle of bryophytes is

- A. Fusion of antherozoid with egg.  
B. Attachment of gametophyte to substratum.  
C. Reduction division to produce haploid spores.  
D. Formation of sporophyte.  
E. Release of antherozoids into water.

Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below :

- (1) B, E, A, D, C  
(2) D, E, A, B, C  
(3) D, E, A, C, B  
(4) B, E, A, C, D

175 Genes R and Y follow independent assortment. If R R Y Y produce round yellow seeds and r r y y produce wrinkled green seeds, what will be the phenotypic ratio of the F<sub>2</sub> generation?

- (1) Phenotypic ratio - 9 : 3 : 3 : 1  
(2) Phenotypic ratio - 9 : 7  
(3) Phenotypic ratio - 1 : 2 : 1  
(4) Phenotypic ratio - 3 : 1

176 Each of the following characteristics represent a Kingdom proposed by Whittaker. Arrange the following in increasing order of complexity of body organization.

- A. Multicellular heterotrophs with cell wall made of chitin.  
B. Heterotrophs with tissue/organ/organ system level of body organization.  
C. Prokaryotes with cell wall made of polysaccharides and amino acids.  
D. Eukaryotic autotrophs with tissue/organ level of body organization.  
E. Eukaryotes with cellular body organization.

Choose the **correct** answer from the options given below :

- (1) A, C, E, D, B  
(2) C, E, A, B, D  
(3) A, C, E, B, D  
(4) C, E, A, D, B



177 Match List - I with List - II.

List - I	List - II
A. Centromere	I. Mitochondrion
B. Cilium	II. Cell division
C. Cristae	III. Cell movement
D. Cell membrane	IV. Phospholipid Bilayer

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) A-IV, B-II, C-III, D-I  
(2) A-II, B-III, C-I, D-IV  
(3) A-I, B-II, C-III, D-IV  
(4) A-II, B-I, C-IV, D-III

178 Which one of the following equations represents the Verhulst-Pearl Logistic Growth of population?

(1)  $\frac{dN}{dt} = rN \left( \frac{N-K}{N} \right)$

(2)  $\frac{dN}{dt} = N \left( \frac{r-K}{K} \right)$

(3)  $\frac{dN}{dt} = r \left( \frac{K-N}{K} \right)$

(4)  $\frac{dN}{dt} = rN \left( \frac{K-N}{K} \right)$

179 Match List - I with List - II.

List - I	List - II
A. Emphysema	I. Rapid spasms in muscle due to low $\text{Ca}^{++}$ in body fluid
B. Angina Pectoris	II. Damaged alveolar walls and decreased respiratory surface
C. Glomerulonephritis	III. Acute chest pain when not enough oxygen is reaching to heart muscle
D. Tetany	IV. Inflammation of glomeruli of kidney

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) A-II, B-IV, C-III, D-I  
(2) A-II, B-III, C-IV, D-I  
(3) A-III, B-I, C-IV, D-II  
(4) A-III, B-I, C-II, D-IV

180 Cardiac activities of the heart are regulated by :

- A. Nodal tissue  
B. A special neural centre in the medulla oblongata  
C. Adrenal medullary hormones  
D. Adrenal cortical hormones

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

- (1) A, C and D Only  
(2) A, B and D Only  
(3) A, B and C Only  
(4) A, B, C and D