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Coimbatore - 641 043, Tamil Nadu, India

**Bachelor's Degree Examination – March 2021  
I Semester**

**Class : I UG  
Major : Biochemistry and Biotechnology**

**Time : 3 Hours  
Max. Marks: 100**

**18BBTC01 Introduction to Biotechnology and Cell Biology**

**Part A**

**10 x 1 = 10**

**Choose the Correct Answer**

1. Which one of the following is not a main component of cell theory?
  - a. Cells must contain DNA
  - b. All living things are made up of cells
  - c. Cells can only come from other cells
  - d. Cells are the basic unit of life
2. An Example of red biotechnology is
  - a. Pesticides
  - b. Antibiotics
  - c. Bt Corn
  - d. Industrial catalysts
3. Which one of the following organelles is enclosed by a single membrane?
  - a. Mitochondria
  - b. Nucleus
  - c. Lysosome
  - d. Chloroplast
4. The most abundant lipid in plasma membrane is
  - a. cholesterol
  - b. glycolipid
  - c. sterol
  - d. phospholipids
5. Entry in M phase of cell cycle is not allowed if
  - a. the cell is not big enough
  - b. sufficient nutrients are not available
  - c. DNA replication is not complete
  - d. mitotic cyclin is overexpressed
6. Normal cells stop dividing when surrounded by other cells on all sides. This process is called
  - a. contact inhibition
  - b. platelet derived growth factor function
  - c. out of control growth inhibition
  - d. the cell cycle control system
7. The space between two Z lines constitute the
  - a. Sarcomere
  - b. Sarcolemma
  - c. Sarcoplasm
  - d. Sarcophagus
8. What channel plays a role in the release of neurotransmitter into the synaptic cleft?
  - a. Both voltage gated potassium and sodium channels
  - b. Voltage gated sodium channels
  - c. Voltage gated potassium channels
  - d. Voltage gated calcium channels
9. Which of the following is anti apoptotic protein?
  - a. Bcl-Xs
  - b. Bfl1
  - c. Bim
  - d. NOXA
10. The name for the type of cleavage in the mammalian embryo is called
  - a. planar cleavage
  - b. unequal cleavage
  - c. rotational cleavage
  - d. radial cleavage

**Part B**

**5 x 6 = 30**

**Answer ALL questions**

**Each answer should not exceed 400 words or two pages**

- 11.a. Discuss the difference between plant and animal cells with a neat diagram.  
(or)
- 11.b. Write a brief note on the Stanley-Miller Experiment.
- 12.a. Elucidate the structure of mitochondria with a neat diagram.  
(or)
- 12.b. Draw a neat sketch of chloroplast and explain its structure.
- 13.a. What is cell division? Discuss the stages of Mitosis.  
(or)
- 13.b. Explain about the electrical coupling and contact inhibition of cell-cell interaction.
- 14.a. Explain the general structure of Skeletal muscles.  
(or)
- 14.b. Brief the structure of neuron with diagram.
- 15.a. Define fertilization in plants. Write about the process of seed formation.  
(or)
- 15.b. Explain the process of Gastrulation in animals.

**Part C**

**5 x 12 = 60**

**Answer ALL questions**

**Each answer should not exceed 800 words or fourpages**

- 16.a. Write a detailed note on the history and various colours of Biotechnology.  
(or)
- 16.b. Give a detailed on the classification of cell types within an organism with examples.
- 17.a. Write in detail about the ultrastructure of nucleus including nuclear pore complex.  
(or)
- 17.b. Illustrate the structure of following cellular organelles:  
i. Endoplasmic reticulum (Rough and smooth)  
ii. Peroxisomes  
iii. Lysosomes
- 18.a. Explain in detail about the stages of cell cycle.  
(or)
- 18.b. Discuss the autocrine,paracrine and endocrine signalling.
- 19.a. Write in detail about the organization of microfilaments in skeletal muscles and how they help in muscular contraction.  
(or)
- 19.b. Discuss about the different cytoskeletal filaments and their role in cellular locomotion.
- 20.a. Write a detailed note on the fertilization and organogenesis in animals.  
(or)
- 20.b. Explain in detail about the events of programmed cell death.

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