# **Principles of Inheritance and Variation**

### Question 1.

If a genetic disease is transferred from a phenotypically normal but carrier female to only some of the male progeny, the disease is

- (a) autosomal dominant
- (b) autosomal recessive
- (c) sex-linked dominant
- (d) sex-linked recessive.

Answer:

(d) sex-linked recessive.

#### Ouestion 2.

In sickle cell anaemia glutamic acid is replaced by valine. Which one of the following triplets codes for valine ?

- (a) GGG
- (b) A AG
- (c) G A A
- (d) GUG

Answer:

(d) GUG

### Question 3.

Person having genotype IA IB would show the blood group as AB. This is because of

- (a) pleiotropy
- (b) co-dominance
- (c) segregation
- (d) incomplete dominance.

Answer:

(b) co-dominance

### Question 4.

ZZ/ZW type of sex determination is seen in

- (a) platypus
- (b) snails
- (c) cockroach
- (d) peacock

Answer:

(d) peacock

### Question 5.

A cross between two tall plants resulted in offspring having few dwarf plants. What would be the genotypes of both the parents ?

- (a) TT and Tt
- (b) Tt and Tt
- (c) TT and TT
- (d) Tt and It

Answer:

(b) TtandTt

### Question 6.

In a dihybrid cross, if you get 9:3:3:1 ratio it denotes that

- (a) the alleles of two genes are interacting with each other
- (b) it is a multigenic inheritance
- (c) it is a case of multiple allelism
- (d) the alleles of two genes are segregating independently.

### Answer:

(d) the alleles of two genes are segregating independently.

### Ouestion 7.

Which of the following will not result in variations among siblings?

- (a) Independent assortment of genes
- (b) Crossing over
- (c) Linkage
- (d) Mutation

#### Answer:

(c) Linkage

### Question 8.

Mendel's Law of independent assortment holds good for genes situated on the

- (a) non-homologous chromosomes
- (b) homologous chromosomes
- (c) extra nuclear genetic element
- (d) same chromosome.

### Answer:

(b) homologous chromosomes

## Question 9.

Occasionally, a single gene may express more than one effect. The phenomenon is called

- (a) multiple allelism
- (b) mosaicism
- (c) pleiotropy
- (d) polygeny.

#### Answer:

(c) pleiotropy

### Question 10.

In the F2 generation of a Mendelian dihybrid cross the number of phenotypes and genotypes are

- (a) phenotypes 4; genotypes 16
- (b) phenotypes 9; genotypes 4
- (c) phenotypes 4; genotypes 8
- (d) phenotypes 4; genotypes 9.

### Answer:

(d) phenotypes – 4; genotypes – 9.

# Question 11.

The colour based contrasting traits in seven contrasting pairs, studied by Mendel in pea plant were

(a) 1

- (b) 2 (c)3(d) 4Answer: (c)3(a) 6
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pairs of contrasting traits were studied by Mendel in pea plant.

- (b) 7
- (c) 8
- (d) 10

### Answer:

(b) 7

# Question 13.

Which of the following characters was not chosen by Mendel?

- (a) Pod shape
- (b) Pod colour
- (c) Location of flower
- (d) Location of pod

### Answer:

(d) Location of pod

### Question 14.

Genes which code for a pair of contrasting traits are known as

- (a) dominant genes
- (b) alleles
- (c) linked genes
- (d) none of these

### Answer:

(b) alleles

### Question 15.

A recessive allele is expressed in

- (a) heterozygous condition only
- (b) homozygous condition only
- (c) F3 generation
- (d) both homozygous and heterozygous conditions.

### Answer:

(b) homozygous condition only

### Question 16.

The characters which appear in the first filial generation are called

- (a) recessive characters
- (b) dominant characters
- (c) holandric characters
- (d) lethal characters

### Answer:

(b) dominant characters

### Question 17.

What will be the distribution of phenotypic features in the first filial generation after a cross between a homozygous female and a heterozygous male for a single locus?

- (a) 3:1
- (b) 1:2:1
- (c) 1:1
- (d) None of these

### Answer:

(c) 1 : 1

# Question 18.

In a monohybrid cross between two heterozygous individuals, percentage of pure homozygous individuals obtained in  $F_1$  generation will be

- (a) 25 %
- (b) 50 %
- (c) 75 %
- (d) 100 %

### Answer:

(b) 50 %

## Question 19.

What is the probability of production of dwarf offsprings in a cross betweeen two heterozygous tall pea plants ?

- (a) Zero
- (b) 50 %
- (c) 25 %
- (d) 100 %

#### Answer:

(c) 25 %

### Question 20.

Which of the following crosses will give tall and dwarf pea plants in same proportions?

- (a)  $TT \times tt$
- (b)  $Tt \times tt$
- (c)  $TT \times Tt$
- (d)  $tt \times tt$

### Answer:

(b)  $Tt \times tt$ 

### Ouestion 21.

Which of the following is incorrect regarding ZW - ZZ type of sex determination?

- (a) It occurs in birds and some reptiles.
- (b) Females are homogametic and males are heterogametic.
- (c) 1:1 sex ratio is produced in the offsprings.
- (d) All of these

# Answer:

(b) Females are homogametic and males are heterogametic.

### Question 22.

A couple has six daughters. What is the possibility of their having a girl next time?

- (a) 10 %
- (b) 50 %
- (c) 90 %
- (d) 100 %

(b) 50 %

### Ouestion 23.

Number of autosomes present in liver cells of a human female is

- (a) 22 autosomes
- (b) 22 pairs
- (c) 23 autosomes
- (d) 23 pairs

#### Answer:

(b) 22 pairs

### Ouestion 24.

Haplodiploidy is found in

- (a) grasshoppers and cockroaches
- (b) birds and reptiles
- (c) butterflies and moths
- (d) honeybees, ants and waspe.

#### Answer:

(d) honeybees, ants and waspe.

### Question 25.

Rate of mutation is affected by

- (a) temperature
- (b) X-rays
- (c) gamma rays
- (d) all of these.

### Answer:

(d) all of these.

### Question 26.

Two or more independent genes present on different chromosomes which determine nearly same phenotype are called

- (a) supplementary genes
- (b) complementary genes
- (c) duplicate genes
- (d) none of these.

#### Answer:

(c) duplicate genes

# Question 27.

Select the incorrect statement regarding pedigree analysis.

- (a) Solid symbols show unaffected individuals.
- (b) Proband is the person from which case history starts.
- (c) It is useful for genetic counsellors.
- (d) It is an analysis of traits in several generations of a family.

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### Question 28.

To determine the genotype of a tall plant of  $F_2$  generation, Mendel crossed this plant with a dwarf plant. This cross represents a

- (a) test cross
- (b) back cross
- (c) reciprocal cross
- (d) dihybrid cross.

### Answer:

(a) test cross

### Question 29.

Which of the following is a test cross?

- (a)  $TT \times TT$
- (b) Tt × Tt
- (c)  $tt \times tt$
- (d)  $Tt \times tt$

### Answer:

(d)  $Tt \times tt$ 

### Ouestion 30.

Mendal formulated the law of purity of gametes on the basis of

- (a) monohybrid cross
- (b) dihybrid cross
- (c) test cross
- (d) back cross.

### Answer:

(a) monohybrid cross

### Ouestion 31.

The inheritance of flower colour in Antirrhinum (dog flower) is an example of

- (a) incomplete dominance
- (b) co-dominance
- (c) multiple alleles
- (d) linkage.

### Answer:

(a) incomplete dominance

# Question 32.

In Antirrhinum (dog flower), phenotypic ratio in  $F_2$  generation for the inheritance of flower colour would be

- (a) 3:1
- (b) 1:2:1
- (c) 1 : 1
- (d) 2 : 1

### Answer:

(b) 1:2:1

### Question 33.

Phenotypic and genotypic ratio is similar in case of

- (a) complete dominance
- (b) incomplete dominance
- (c) over dominance
- (d) epistasis.

### Answer:

(b) incomplete dominancec

### Question 34.

What can be the blood group of offspring when both parents have AB blood group?

- (a) AB only
- (b) A, B and AB
- (c) A, B, AB and O
- (d) A and B only

#### Answer:

(b) A, B and AB

### Question 35.

Inheritance of roan coat in cattle is an example of

- (a) incomplete dominance
- (b) codominance
- (c) multiple allelism
- (d) none of these

### Answer:

(b) codominance

## Question 36.

ABO blood grouping in human beings cites the example of

- (a) incomplete dominance
- (b) co-dominance
- (c) multiple allelism
- (d) both
- (b) and (c)

# Answer:

(b) and (c)

# Question 37.

In mice, Y is the dominant allele for yellow fur an y is the recessive allele for grey fur. Since Y is lethal when homozygous, the result of cross  $Yy \times Yy$  will be

(a) 3 yellow: 1 grey

(b) 2 yellow: 1 grey

(c) 1 yellow: 1 grey

(d) 1 yellow: 2 grey

### Answer:

(b) 2 yellow: 1 grey

# Question 38.

How many types of gametes can be produced by a diploid organism who is heterozygous for 4 loci ?

- (a) 4
- (b) 8
- (c) 16
- (d) 32

(c) 16

### Question 39.

Which of the following is correct for the condition when plant YyRr is back crossed with the double recessive parent?

- (a) 9:3:3:1 ratio of phenotypes only(b) 9:3:3:1 ratio of genotypes only
- (c) 1:1:1:1 ratio of phenotypes only
- (d) 1:1:1:1 ratio of phenotypes and genotypes

Answer:

(d) 1:1:1:1 ratio of phenotypes and genotypes

### Question 40.

Law of independent assortment can be explained with the help of

- (a) dihybrid
- (b) test cross
- (c) back cross
- (d) monohybrid cross

Answer:

(a) dihybrid

### Question 41.

Mendel's work was rediscovered by three scientists in the year

- (a) 1865
- (b) 1900
- (c) 1910
- (d) 1920

Answer:

(b) 1900

### Question 42.

Which three scientists independently rediscovered Mendel's work?

- (a) Avery, McLeod, McCarty
- (b) Sutton, Morgan and Bridges
- (c) Bateson, Punnet and Bridges
- (d) de Vries, Correns and Tschemark

Answer:

(d) de Vries, Correns and Tschemark

### Question 43.

Chromosomal theory of inheritance was given by

- (a) Morgan et al
- (b) Sutton and Boveri
- (c) Hugo deVries
- (d) Gregor J. Mendel

(b) Sutton and Boveri

### Question 44

Experimental verification of 'chromosomal theory of inheritance' was done by

- (a) Sutton and Boveri
- (b) Morgan et al
- (c) Henking
- (d) Karl Correns.

### Answer:

(b) Morgan et al

### Ouestion 45.

Genes located very close to one another on same chromosome tend to be transmitted together and are called as

- (a) allelomorphs
- (b) identical genes
- (c) linked genes
- (d) recessive genes

### Answer:

(c) linked genes

### Question 46.

What is true about the crossing over between linked genes?

- (a) No crossing over at all
- (b) High percentage of crossing over
- (c) Hardly any crossing over
- (d) None of these

### Answer:

(c) Hardly any crossing over

### Ouestion 47.

Chromosome maps/genetic maps were first prepared by

- (a) Sutton and Boveri (1902)
- (b) Bateson and Punnett (1906)
- (c) Morgan (1910)
- (d) Sturtevant (1911)

## Answer:

(d) Sturtevant (1911)

# Question 48.

The distance between the genes is measured by

- (a) angstrom
- (b) map unit
- (c) Dobson unit
- (d) millimetre

### Answer:

(c) Dobson unit

### Question 49.

Which of the following is suitable for experiment on linkage?

- (a) aaBB x aaBB
- (b) AABB x aabb
- (c) AaBb x AaBb
- (d) AAbb x AaBB

### Answer:

(b) AABB x aabb

### Question 50.

Mendel's law of independent assortment does not hold true for the genes that are located closely on

- (a) same chromosome
- (b) non-homologous chromosomes
- (c) X-chromosome
- (d) autosomes

### Answer:

(a) same chromosome

### Question 51.

If linkage was known at the time of Mendel then which of the following laws, he would not have been able to explain?

- (a) Law of dominance
- (b) Law of independent assortment
- (c) Law of segregation
- (d) Law of purity of gametes

### Answer:

(b) Law of independent assortment

### Question 52.

Which of the following are reasons for Mendel's success?

- (i) Usage of pure lines or pure breeding varieties
- (ii) Consideration of one character at a time
- (iii) Maintenance of statistical records of experiments
- (iv) Knowledge of linkage and incomplete dominance
- (a) (i) and (ii) only
- (b) (i), (ii) and (iii)
- (c) (i) and (iv) only
- (d) (ii), (iii) and (iv)

#### Answer:

(b) (i), (ii) and (iii)

### Question 53.

XO type of sex determination and XY type of sex determination are the examples of

- (a) male heterogamety
- (b) female heterogamety
- (c) male homogamety
- (d) both (b) and (c)

### Answer:

(a) male heterogamety

### Question 54.

Grasshopper is an example of XO type of sex determination in which the males have

- (a) one X chromosome
- (b) one Y chromosome
- (c) two X chromosomes
- (d) no X chromosome

### Answer:

(a) one X chromosome

### Question 55.

In XO type of sex determination

- (a) females produce two different types of gametes
- (b) males produce two different types of gametes
- (c) females produce gametes with Y chromosome
- (d) males produce gametes with Y chromosome.

#### Answer

(b) males produce two different types of gametes

### Question 56.

If both parents are carriers for thalassaemia, which is an autosomal recessive disorder, what are the chances of pregnancy resulting in an affected child?

- (a) 25 %
- (b) 100 %
- (c) No chance
- (d) 50 %

#### Answer:

(a) 25 %

### Question 57.

Select the disease which is caused by recessive autosomal genes when present in homozygous conditions.

- (a) Alkaptonuria
- (b) Albinism
- (c) Cystic fibrosis
- (d) All of these

### Answer:

(d) All of these

### Question 58.

Which of the following trait is controlled by dominant autosomal genes?

- (a) Polydactyly
- (b) Huntington's chorea
- (c) PTC (phenylthiocarbamide) tasting
- (d) All of these

#### Answer:

(d) All of these

# Ouestion 59.

Failure of segregation of chromatids during cell division results in the gain or loss of chromosomes, this is called as

- (a) euploidy
- (b) monoploidy
- (c) aneuploidy
- (d) polyploidy

(c) aneuploidy

# Question 60.

Trisomy is represented by

- (a) (2n 1)
- (b) (2n 2)
- (c)(2n + 2)
- (d)(2n + 1)

Answer:

(d)(2n + 1)

### Question 61.

Mongolism is a genetic disorder which is caused by the presence of an extra chromosome number

- (a) 20
- (b) 21
- (c) 17
- (d) 23

Answer:

(b) 21

### Question 62.

Klinefelter's syndrome is characterised by a karyotype of

- (a) XYY
- (b) XO
- (c) XXX
- (d) XXY

Answer:

(d) XXY

### Question 63.

This abnormality occurs due to monosomy (2n - 1); the individual has 2n = 45 chromosomes with 44 + XO genotype.

- (a) Edward's syndrome
- (b) Down's syndrome
- (c) Turner's syndrome
- (d) Klinefelter's syndrome

Answer:

(c) Turner's syndrome

## Question 64.

Females with Turner's syndrome have

- (a) small uterus
- (b) rudimentary ovaries
- (c) underdeveloped breasts

(d) all of these.

Answer:

(d) all of these.

# Question 65.

All genes located on the same chromosome

- (a) form different groups depending upon their relative distance
- (b) form one linkage group
- (c) will not from any linkage groups
- (d) form interactive groups that affect the phenotype.

# Answer:

(b) form one linkage group

# Question 66.

Conditions of a karyotype  $2n\pm 1$  and 2n + 2 are called

- (a) aneuploidy
- (b) polyploidy
- (c) allopolyploidy
- (d) monosomy.

### Answer:

(a) aneuploidy

# Question 67.

Distance between the genes and percentage of recontbfnatidnshows

- (a) a direct relationship
- (b) an inverse relationship
- (c) a parallel relationship
- (d) no relationship.

### Answer:

(a) a direct relationship