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1. Exploitation and analysis of variability of genetic resources for improvement of existing crops under cultivation is referred to as :

- (a) Primary introduction
- (b) secondary introduction
- (c) Domestication
- (d) Acclimatization cum introduction

2. Compilation of the historical "*De Materia Medica*" was carried out by:

- (a) Bentham
- (b) Bentham and Hooker
- (c) Theophrastus
- (d) Theophrastus and Aristotle

3. Aplanogamic type of sexual reproduction occurs in

- (a) *Oedogonium*
- (b) *Chara*
- (c) *Volvox*
- (d) *Zygnema*

4. The zoospores of *Vaucheria* are

- (a) Aflagellate
- (b) Uniflagellate
- (c) Multiflagellate
- (d) Biflagellate

5. The most primitive type of life cycle in algae is

- (a) Haplontic
- (b) Diplontic
- (c) Haplobiontic
- (d) Diplobiontic

6. Cleistothecia of which of the following fungus contains coiled appendages on the periderm:

- (a) *Uncinula*
- (b) *Erysiphe*
- (c) *Colletotrichum*
- (d) *Venturia*

7. Key membrane sterol in most of the fungi is

- (a) Cholesterol
- (b) Ergosterol
- (c) Mannitol
- (d) None of the above

8. Nutrition in slime fungi is

- (a) Absorptive
- (b) Phagotrophic
- (c) Necrotrophic
- (d) Autotrophic

9. Which among the following is used as a biocontrol agent?

- (a) *Trichoderma viridae*
- (b) *Pythium debaryanum*
- (c) *Phytophthora infestans*
- (d) *Erysiphe polygoni*

10. Phialidic type of conidia are found in

- (a) *Asperigillus*
- (b) *Albugo*
- (c) *Phytophthora*
- (d) *Pythium*

11. When the tissue close to vein turns yellow and the remaining surface stays green; the condition is known as

- (a) Vein bending
- (b) Vein clearing
- (c) Variegation
- (d) Vennation

12. When archegonia are borne at the apex of main axis or its branches, the condition is known as

- (a) Acrocarpous
- (b) Pleurocarpous
- (c) Stigmatocarpous
- (d) Cleistocarpous

13. Conducting tissue in mosses is made up of:

- (a) Xylem
- (b) Collenchyma
- (c) Phloem
- (d) Parenchyma

14. Green plastids are present in the cells of young antheridium of:

- (a) *Riccia*
- (b) *Funaria*
- (c) *Pellia*
- (d) *Anthoceros*

15. A group of fused sporangia with distinct partition walls is known as

- (a) Sorus
- (b) Synangium

- (c) Both (a) and (b)
- (d) None of the above

16. Which of the following can induce apogamy in fern gametophytes?

- (a) Low concentration of sucrose'
- (b) Medium concentration of sucrose
- (c) High concentration of sucrose
- (d) All of the above

17. Which of the following is richly found in functional megasporophyte of *Selaginella* ?

- (a) Vacuoles
- (b) Starch
- (c) Cytoplasm
- (d) Cytoplasmic RNA \

18. Which of the following genera lacks a female cone?

- (a) *Cycas*
- (b) *Cedrus*
- (c) *Ephedra*
- (d) None of the above

19. The form genus *Caytonia* was first discovered by

- (a) H. H. Thomas
- (b) T. M. Harris
- (c) K. R. Sporne
- (d) B. Sahni

20. In which geological period flowering plants first appeared?

- (a) Ordovician
- (b) Cambrian
- (c) Devonian
- (d) Cretaceous

21. Girdling leaf-traces are the characteristic feature of the stem of:

- (a) *Ephedra*
- (b) *Cycas*
- (c) *Cedrus*
- (d) *Pinus*

22. Which of the following living pteridophytic order shows more resemblances with Rhyniaceae?

- (a) Psilotales
- (b) Lycopodiales
- (c) Ophioglossales
- (d) Equisetales

23. The International Code for Botanical Nomenclature (ICBN) governs the nomenclature of:

- (a) Plants alone
- (b) Plants and fungi
- (c) Plants and bacteria
- (d) Plan and viruses

24. The most primitive group in dicots as per Engler and Prantl is

- (a) Ranales
- (b) Asteraceae
- (c) Amentiferae
- (d) Magnoliaceae

25. An inventory of the plants of a defined geographical region is known as

- (a) Conspectus
- (b) Revision
- (c) Monograph
- (d) Flora

26. Which of the following families have syngenesious stamens?

- (a) Apiaceae
- (b) Asteraceae
- (c) Ranunculaceae
- (d) Rosaceae

27. When the guard cells are surrounded by unspecialised epidermal cells, the type of stomata is

- (a) Anomocytic
- (b) Anisocytic
- (c) Diacytic
- (d) Paracytic

28. Root endodermis is generally regarded as

- (a) Outer most layer of cortex
- (b) Inner most layer of cortex
- (c) Both of the above
- (d) Either (a) or (b)

29. Cambium and cork cambium are examples of:

- (a) Apical meristem
- (b) Intercalary meristem
- (c) Lateral meristem
- (d) Primary meristem

30. Pollination occurring between two flowers on the same plant is termed as:

- (a) Autogamy
- (b) Xenogamy
- (c) Chasmogamy
- (d) Geitonogamy

31. The first division of the zygote in Piper type of embryogeny is

- (a) Vertical
- (b) Transverse

- (c) Oblique
- (d) Either (b) or (c)

32. Synthetic seeds are:

- (a) Encapsulated zygotic embryos
- (b) Encapsulated somatic embryos
- (c) Genetically engineered seeds
- (d) None of the above

33. When the aperture is on the proximal face, the pollen grains are designated as:

- (a) Zonotreme
- (b) Anatreme
- (c) Pantotreme
- (d) Catatreme

34. When the exposed pollen wall shows rod-like elements with swollen tips, the sculpturing is called as

- (a) Psilate
- (b) Fossulate
- (c) Pilate
- (d) Baculate

35. The fluidity of biomembranes is ascribed mainly to

- (a) The protein component
- (b) The lipid component
- (c) Both protein and lipid components
- (d) Neither protein nor lipid component

36. Which one of the following is the acyl group carrier in the β oxidation of fatty acids?

- (a) Coenzyme A
- (b) Acyl carrier protein
- (c) Both (a) and (b)
- (d) Neither (a) nor (b)

37. During photorespiration which of the following reactions takes place in the mitochondrion:

- (a) Conversion of glycine to serine
- (b) Conversion of serine to CO_2 and NH_3
- (c) Both (a) and (b)
- (d) None of the above

38. The receptor in plants that perceives the photoperiodic signal is a

- (a) Conjugated protein
- (b) Hormone
- (c) Non-protein pigment
- (d) None of the above

39. Gibberellins produced in the apical portions of both stems and roots cause:

- (a) Stem elongation
- (b) Growth of lateral branches
- (c) Abscission of leaves and fruits
- (d) Stem thickening

40. The sterol: phospholipid ratio of membranes is high in

- (a) Glycophytes
- (b) Halophytes
- (c) Psamophytes
- (d) Hydrophytes

41. Percentage of phanerophytes in the normal biological spectrum Raunkiaer (1934) is ?

- (a) 13
- (b) 26
- (c) 46
- (d) 62

42. Most of the energy in a temperate coniferous forest flows through:

- (a) Detritus food chain
- (b) Grazing food chain
- (c) Auxiliary food chain
- (d) All of the above

43. Maximum number of trophic levels in most food webs is about:

- (a) or 9
- (b) 2 or 3
- (c) 1 or 2
- (d) 4 or 5

44. Which among the following accounts for much of the biome differences in Net Primary Productivity (NPP)?

- a) Length of growing season
- b) Leaf area
- c) Soil fertility
- d) None of the above

45. Pyramid of number of a parasitic food chain would be always

- a) Upright
- b) Inverted
- c) Either upright or inverted
- d) Neither upright nor inverted

46. Bacteria that use light as energy source and organic substances as carbon source are called as:

- (a) Photoautotrophs
- (b) Chemoautotrophs
- (c) Photoheterotrophs
- (d) Chemoheterotrophs

47. Archaeobacteria differ from both eubacteria and eukaryotes in

- (a) Nature of membrane lipids
- (b) RNA polymerase structure
- (c) Composition of their cell walls
- (d) All of the above

48. Genetic material in plant viruses is mostly:

- (a) DNA
- (b) RNA
- (c) Both DNA and RNA
- (d) None of the above

49. Which one of the following is true for spontaneous reactions?

- (a) $+S$ and $-H$
- (b) $-S$ and $+H$
- (c) Both (a) and (b)
- (d) Neither (a) nor (b)

50. The most abundant non-reducing soluble sugar in plants is

- (a) Lactose
- (b) Maltose
- (c) Sucrose
- (d) Cellobiose

51. The true substrate in most enzymatic reactions that involve ATP is

- (a) $MgATP^{2-}$
- (b) Mg^{2+}
- (c) $Mg ADP^-$
- (d) None of the above

52. Which of the following is not formed when yeast is producing wine?

- (a) Pyruvic acid
- (b) Ethanol
- (c) CO_2
- (d) Acetyl Co A

53. In feedback inhibition, a metabolic pathway is switched off by:

- (a) A rise in temperature
- (b) Lack of substrate
- (c) Accumulation of end product
- (d) Competitive inhibition

54. Covalently bound non-protein component of an enzyme is its

- (a) Coenzyme
- (b) Cofactor
- (c) Apoenzyme
- (d) Prosthetic group

55. The rainfall in a district for four (04) months was 50, 40, 15 and 15 millimeters. The mean deviation of rainfall about mean for the given four months is

- (a) 30
- (b) 15
- (c) $\frac{10}{3}$
- (d) 0

The extent of correlation between two related variables decreases, the value of correlation coefficient (r) approaches

- (a) +1
- (b) -1
- (c) Zero
- (d) None of the above

57. The arithmetic mean of a distribution, in which there are some extremely high or low values, will either over estimate or under estimate the average position and hence is not a best representative value. The measure of **Central**

Tendency in such a situation is

- (a) Median
- (b) Mode
- (c) Standard deviation
- (d) None of the above

58. How many progeny genotypes are expected after selfing of the parent having the genotype 'AABbCC' :

- (a) Two
- (b) Three
- (c) Four
- (d) Five

59. The epistatic gene differs from dominant gene in that the

- (a) Epistatic gene is non-allelic
- (b) Epistatic and dominant genes are present at different loci
- (c) Both (a) and (b) are false
- (d) Both (a) and (b) are true

60. Dominant genes 'A' and 'B' are required for normal hearing. A deaf couple has all children with normal hearing. The probable genotype of the couple is :

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

61. An allele 'A' after segregation from 'Aa' genotype produces a mutant phenotype; the condition is called

- (a) Point mutation

- (b) Paramutation
- (c) Frameshift mutation
- (d) None of the above

62. A larkspur plant has 16 chromosomes. How many linkage groups does it have?

- (a) 4
- (b) 8
- (c) 16
- (d) 20

63. In a DNA molecule the percentage of adenine is 18%; the percentage of cytosine is expected to be

- (a) 18%
- (b) 36%
- (c) 27%
- (d) 54%

64. The products of one gene required to activate another gene are called

- (a) Repressor elements
- (b) Co-enzymes
- (c) Transcription factors
- (d) None of the above

65. Restriction endonucleases cut DNA at :

- (a) Palindromic sequences
- (b) Methylated sequences
- (c) exons
- (d) Any site

66. The sum total of deleterious genes in a population at a particular time is

- (a) Gene pool
- (b) Genetic drift
- (c) Genetic load
- (d) Genetic imbalance

67. The chain initiation and termination codons during protein synthesis respectively are :

- (a) AUG and UGA
- (b) GUG and UAA
- (c) Neither (a) nor (b)
- (d) Both (a) and (b)

68. Which of the following commonly known medicinal herb is used for the treatment of hair fall?

- (a) Bunafsha
- (b) Kahzaban
- (c) Van Wangun
- (d) Burza

69. The commercially important active principal "Quercetin" is obtained from:

- (a) *Podophyllum hexandrum*
- (b) *Atropa belladonna*
- (c) *Arnebia benthamii*
- (d) *Viola odorata*

70. Which of the following is essential for germplasm exchange ?

- (a) Plant introduction
- (b) Plant assessment
- (c) Plant quarantine
- (d) Plant adaptability

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1. "Little leaf" disease of brinjal is caused by :

- (a) viruses
- (b) mycoplasma
- (c) bacteria
- (d) phytophthora

2. Adenoviruses are:

- (a) DNA containing plant viruses, spheroidal in shape with projecting fibres
- (b) RNA containing plant viruses, spheroidal in shape and enveloped
- (c) DNA containing animal viruses, spheroidal in shape with projecting fibers
- (d) RNA containing animal viruses, spheroidal in shape and enveloped

3. Cell walls of Deuteromycetes contain

- (a) chitin-glucan
- (b) mannan-glucan
- (c) cellulose-glucan
- (d) pectin-glucan

4. *Morchella* is a:

- (a) Parasitic hymenomycete .
- (b) Mycorrhizal gasteromycete
- (c): Symbiotic plectomycete
- (d) Saprobic discomycete

5. In some plants of *Oedogonium*, the androsporangia are produced on filaments which do not bear oogonia. Such plants are said to be :

- (a) Gynandrosporous

- (b) Idioandrosporous
- (c) Androsporous
- (d) Gynosporous

6. Select the odd one out in respect of the nature of sexual reproduction

- (a) *Chlamydomonas debaryana*
- (b) *Chlamydomonas media*
- (c) *Chlamydomonas coccifera*
- (d) *Chlamydomonas eugametos*

7. In which of the following species of *Anthoceros* the whole plant is covered with hair like outgrowths forming water-holding chambers?

- (a) *A. arachnoides*
- (b) *A. giganteus*
- (c) *A. fusiformis*
- (d) *A. laevis*

8. In the stem of *Polytrichum* one or two layers of cells consist of dark brown suberized walls and contain copious starchy contents. This tissue is called:

- (a) Hydrom mantle
- (b) Hydrom sheath
- (c) Leptom mantle
- (d) Piliferous layer

9. *Rhynia* belongs to :

- (a) upper Silurian
- (b) lower Devonian
- (c) middle Devonian
- (d) upper Devonian

10. Steles in which leaf gaps occur less frequently and are distantly placed are called:

- (a) dictyosteles
- (b) medullated steles
- (c) perforated steles
- (d) solenosteles

11. Which of the following is a single pass, single helix transmembrane protein?

- (a) Glycophorin
- (b) Spectrin
- (c) Band 3 protein
- (d) Integrin

12. Which of the following ions facilitates assemblage of subunits into a complete ribosome?

- (a) Na⁺
- (b) Ca⁺⁺
- (c) Mg⁺⁺
- (d) Mn⁺

13. A plant carrying a duplicated chromosome segment is said to be

- (a) Hemizygous
- (b) Hyperploid
- (c) Disomic haploid
- (d) Addition haploid

14. Select the odd one out in terms of the genome constitution

- (a) *Gossypium hirsutum*
- (b) *Nicotiana tabacum*
- (c) *Musa esculentum*
- (d) *Brassica juncea*

15. The F₂ progeny of "green-round" and "white-wrinkled" seeded parents contains

4 types of plants: (i) green-round seeded 10; (ii) "green-wrinkled" seeded 69; (iii) "white-round" seeded 85 and (iv) "white-wrinkled" seeded 15. This suggests:

- (a) duplicate gene inheritance
- (b) linkage in repulsion phase
- (c) independent assortment
- (d) linkage in coupling phase

16. Which of the following enzymes has both exonuclease 3' → 5' and exonuclease 5' → 3' activities?

- (a) cannot recognise codons GCU, GCC and GCA
- (b) can recognise only codon GCU
- (c) can recognise only codon GCA
- (d) can recognise all the three codons

17. The anticodon IGC :

- (a) Prokaryotic DNA polymerase I
- (b) Prokaryotic DNA polymerase II
- (c) Prokaryotic DNA polymerase III
- (d) Eukaryotic DNA polymerase ρ

18. Which of the following mutations are likely to occur if DNA is exposed to proflavin dyes ?

- (a) Suppressor mutations
- (b) Frame shift mutations
- (c) Transition mutations
- (d) Transversions

19; Isopropyl thiogalactoside is

- (a) an inducer
- (b) a repressor
- (c) a gratuitous inducer
- (d) a co-repressor

20. When shed from the sporangium, the microspores have :

- (a) one prothallial cell in *Cycas* and two in *Ephedra*
- (b) two prothallial cells in *Cycas* and one in *Ephedra*
- (c) one prothallial cell in both
- (d) two prothallial cells in both

2. Select the odd one out
- a) coralloid roots
 - b) loosely arranged megasporophyllis
 - c) absence of neck canal cells .
 - (d) gametophytic endosperm.

22. Paleontological evidences reveal that the flowering plants had attained high degree of morphological specialisation during:

- (a) J Triassic
- (b) Jurassic
- (c) Cretaceous
- (d) Palaeocene

23. On the basis of carpel and stamen morphology and structure of wood which of the following plants seems to be primitive?

- (a) *Cucurbita* spp.
- (b) *Solanum* spp.
- (c) *Convolvulus* spp.
- (d) *Degeneria* spp.

24. $\text{+ff} \cdot \text{1} \setminus \text{5} \text{ C } 5 \sim 5 \text{ G} (2)$ is the floral formula of :

- (a) *Helianthus annuus*
- (b) *Brassica campestris*
- (c) *Lathyrus odoratus*
- (d) *Solanum nigrum*

25. A small cup shaped inflorescence consisting of a single pistillate flower in the centre surrounded by numerous staminate flowers is called

- (a) Glomerule
- (b) Cyathium
- (c) Hypanthodium
- (d) Verticillaster

26. Which one of the following is considered equivalent to perianth ?

- (a) Glumes
- (b) Lodicules
- (c) Superior palea
- (d) Inferior palea

27. The process of grouping of organisms into taxa on the basis of overall similarities is called

- (a) phenetics
- (b) cladistics
- (c) alpha taxonomy

(d) beta taxonomy

28. "Systema Naturae" was written by:

- (a) Charles Robert Darwin
- (b) George Bentham
- (c) Jean Baptiste Lamarck
- (d) Carolus Linnaeus

29. According to Bentham and Hooker's classification system the order Rosales falls in which of the following series?

- (a) Thalamiflorae
- (b) Bicarpillatae
- (c) Calyciflorae
- (d) Inferae

30. Which of the following plants is perennial and monocarpic ?

- (a) *Agave americana*
- (b) *Cocos nucifera*
- (c) *Phoenix dactylifera*
- (d) *Hevea brasiliensis*

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31. Which one of the following is different from others in respect of the nature of its roots?

- (a) *Sonneratia* sp.
- (b) *Avicinnia* sp.
- (c) *Heritiera* sp.
- (d) *Pandanus* sp.

32. In some plants the leaves occur along a straight vertical line. This condition is called:

- (a) Distichous
- (b) Parastichous
- (c) Orthostichous
- (d) Unistichous

33. Alburnum and Duramen respectively are alternate names of :

- (a) heartwood and sapwood
- (b) sapwood and heartwood
- (c) -porous wood and ring-porous wood
- (d) ring-porous wood and diffuse-porous wood

34. The sclerenchyma of cortex originates from:

- (a) Ra initials
- (b) Fusiform initials
- (c) Protoderm
- (d) Periblem

35. The first lower most leaves of a plant's side branch are called
- (a) cataphylls
 - (b) prophylls
 - (c) hypsophylls
 - (d) platyclades
36. The book entitled "Plant Embryology" was written by
- (a) Karl Schnarf
 - (b) P. Maheshwari
 - (c) D.A. Johansen
 - (d) G. Davis
37. In respect of chromosome number which one of the following is different?
- (a) Embryo sac
 - (b) Archesporium
 - (c) Sporogenous tissue
 - (d) Spore mother cells
38. In *Dianthus* the style is much longer than the stamens. This condition is called:
- (a) Dichogamy
 - (b) Herkogamy
 - (c) Heterostyly
 - (d) None of the above
39. Ψ_w of a living plant cell is the sum of :
- (a) wall pressure and pressure potential
 - (b) wall pressure and matric potential
 - (c) osmotic potential and pressure potential
 - (d) osmotic potential and solute potential
40. Which of the following diseases is caused in plants due to deficiency of Zn ?
- (a) Heart rot of beats
 - (b) Whiptail of cauliflower
 - (c) Grey speck of oats
 - (d) Little leaf of apples

41. Which of the following compounds is a prosthetic group?

- (a) FAD
- (b) Biotin
- (c) LDH
- (d) NAD

42. A substrate fails to join the enzyme because its active site is deformed by an analogue of the substrate. This process is called

- (a) Allosteric inhibition
- (b) Competitive inhibition
- (c) End product inhibition
- (d) Feedback inhibition

43. Which of the following compounds serves as the electron donor during biological nitrogen fixation ?

- (a) 6-Phosphogluconic acid
- (b) Acetyl phosphate
- (c) Dinitrogen reductase
- (d) Pyruvic acid

44. For carbon fixation during "dark reaction" the three carbon atoms of each PGA molecules are derived from:

- (a) RuBP
- (b) CO₂
- (c) RuBP + CO₂
- (d) RuBP + CO₂ + PEP

45. Which one of the following facts explains "Warburg Effect" ?

- (a) Rate of photosynthesis decreases at low O₂ concentration
- (b) Rate of photosynthesis increases at low O₂ concentration
- (c) Rate of photosynthesis decreases at high O₂ concentration
- (d) Rate of photosynthesis increases at high O₂ concentration

46. The seeds of lettuce are

- (a) non-photoblastic
- (b) positively photoblastic
- (c) negatively photoblastic
- (d) ABA induced

47. Plant leaves are:

- (a) Plageotropic
- (b) Diageotropic
- (c) Ageotropic
- (d) Negatively geotropic

48. Which one of the following compounds shows "Richmond-Lang" effect?

- (a) IAA
- (b) ABA
- (c) GA₃
- (d) Kinetin

49. The correct sequence of electron acceptors in ATP synthesis" is :

- (a) Cytochrome *a*, *a3'* *b*, *c*
- (b) Cytochrome *b*, *c*, *a*, *a3*
- (c) Cytochrome *b*, *c*, *a3'* *a*
- (d)." Cytochrome *c*, *b*, *a*, *a3*

50. Who amongst the following has contributed extensively to the study of Indian grass-land ecology?

- (a) R Misra
- (b) G.S. Puri
- (c) J.S. Singh
- (d) RR. Das

51. Which of the following statements is *true*?

- (a) The ecological pyramid of numbers is inverted in a tree ecosystem
- (b) The ecological pyramid of numbers is upright in a tree ecosystem
- (c) The ecological pyramid of numbers is inverted in herbaceous ecosystem
- (d) The ecological pyramid of biomass is upright in an aquatic ecosystem

52. The plant species that thrive well in narrow salinity and narrow temperature ranges are called respectively as :

- (a) Euryhaline and Eurythermal
- (b) Stenohaline and Stenothermal
- (c) Steno'l'r'aJ/ne and Eurythermal
- (d) Euryhaline and Stenothermal

53. *Acacia senegal* and *Rhizophora* sp. respectively are

- (a) Psammophyte-Lithophyte
- (b) Lithophyte-Psychrophyte
- (c) Psychrophyte-Halophyte
- (d) Psammophyte-Halophyte

54. Morphologically different populations when grown in an identical habitat become uniform and the variations disappear. Such populations are called:

- (a)' Ecotones
- (b) Ecoclines
- (c) Ecads
- (d) Ecotypes

55. A climax community represented by a single dominant species is called

- (a)" Society
- (b) Lociation
- (C) Consociation

(d) Association

56. Which of the following plants produces a caryopsis ?

- (a) *Triticum aestivum*
- (b) *Artemisia annua*
- (c) *Solanum tuberosum*
- (d) *Lathyrus odoratus*

57. The famous timber "Saguan" is obtained from

- (a) *Eucalyptus globosus*
- (b) *Tectona grandis*
- (c) *Shorea robusta*
- (d) *Dalbergia sissoo*

58. The common gunny bag fibre is obtained from

- (a) *Crotalaria juncea*
- (b) *Cocos nucifera*
- (c) *Corchorus capsularis*
- (d) *Quercus superba*

59. pBR327 is :

- (a) yeast plasmid vector
- (b) phagemid pBluescript vector
- (c) pUC vector
- (d) *E. coli* plasmid vector

60. Which of the following properties of Ti plasmids of *Agrobacterium* made them a suitable choice for use as vectors ?

- (a) Large size
- (b) Absence of unique restriction sites
- (c) Tumour induction properties
- (d) Presence of *vir* gene.

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1. Bacteria cannot survive in a highly salted pickle because

- (A) Salt inhibits reproduction
- (B) Pickle, does not contain nutrients necessary for bacterial growth
- (C) Bacteria do not get enough light for photosynthesis
- (D) Bacterial cells become plasmolysed and consequently killed

2. In which of the following conditions transpiration would be the most rapid?

- (A) High humidity

- (B) Excess of water in the soil
- (C) Low humidity and high temperature
- (D) Low wind velocity

3. Which of the following denotes the covalently bound non-protein component of an enzyme?

- (A) Coenzyme
- (B) Cofactor
- (C) Apoenzyme
- (D) Prosthetic group

4. Majority of the higher plants growing in well-aerated soils rich in organic matter preferably utilize:

- (A) NH_4^+
- (B) NO_2
- (C) NO_3
- (D) Organic nitrogen

5. In most of the enzymatic reactions that involve ATP as the phosphoryl donor, the *true* substrate is

- (A) Mg ATP^{2-}
- (B) Mn ATP^{2-}
- (C) Ca ATP^{2-}
- (D) None of the above

6. During photorespiration, the conversion of glycine to serine, and of serine to CO_2 and NH_3 takes place in :

- (A) Chloroplasts
- (B) Mitochondria
- (C) Peroxisomes
- (D) None of the above

7. Which of the following enzymes is/are synthesized *de novo* during the germination of lipid-storing seeds?

- (A) Isocitrate lyase
- (B) Malate synthetase
- (C) Both of the above
- (D) None of the above

8. Which of the following plant hormones delay senescence?

- (A) Cytokinins
- (B) Auxins
- (C) Gibberellins
- (D) Ethylene

9. The photosynthetically active radiation (PAR) is

- (A) $< 400 \text{ nm}$
- (B) Between 400 to 700 nm
- (C) $>740, \text{ nm}$

(D) None of the above

10. Sleep movement of beans is an example of:

- (A) Epinasty
- (B) Nyctinasty
- (C) Thigmonasty
- (1) Seismonasty

11. In the hydrological cycle, precipitation exceeds evaporation and transpiration over the:

- (A) Land surfaces
- (B) Oceans
- (C) Both of the above
- (D) None of the above

12. The length of the food chains is limited by :

- (A) Less energy available to support more trophic levels
- (B) Less ecological efficiency of different trophic levels
- (C) Both of the above
- (D) High energy available to disrupt trophic levels

13. The pioneer plants in the secondary succession are usually:

- (A) Lichens
- B) Weeds
- (C) Ferns
- (D) All of the above

14. Aerial roots, vivipary and succulence are the common adaptations of:

- (A) Xerophytes
- (B) Hydrophytes
- (C) Mesophytes
- (D) Halophytes

15. Kashmir Valley falls within the Indian biogeographic region of:

- (A) Trans-Himalaya
- (B) Eastern Himalaya
- (C) Northwestern Himalaya
- (D) Central Himalaya

16. Ecologically, a population is defined as :

- (A) A single group of interbreeding individuals of the same species
- (B) A single group of interbreeding individuals of different species
- (C) A single group of interbreeding individuals of a few species
- (D) A single group. of interbreeding individuals of many species

17. Which of the following genera includes fibre plants?

- A) *Oryza*
- B) *Brassica*

- (C) *Atropa*
- (D) *Gossypium*

18. The drugs extracted from *Podophyllum hexandrum* are

- (A) Anti-carcinogenic
- (B) Sedative
- (C) Diuretic
- (D) Aphrodisiac

19. Which of the following is used as a cloning vector in plants?

- (A) Cosmid
- (B) Phagemid
- (C) Ti Plasmid
- (D) YAC

20. When a mature cell reverts back to meristematic state and forms an undifferentiated callus tissue, the process is termed as

- (A) Postdifferentiation
- (B) Redifferentiation
- (C) Dedifferentiation
- (D) Predifferentiation

21. In diploid organisms, the formation of multivalents at meiosis is due to

- (A) Monosomy
- (B) Inversion
- (C) Duplication
- (D) Reciprocal translocation

22. An anticodon of *tRNA* recognizes more than one codon of *mRNA*. This explains:

- (A) Wobble hypothesis
- (B) Degeneracy of genetic code
- (C) Universality of genetic code
- (D) Triplet nature of genetic code

23. How many Trisomies are possible in an individual with $2n = 20$

- (A) 5
- (B) 10
- (C) 15
- (D) 20

24. A wild allele 'A' after segregation from 'Aa' genotype gives a mutant phenotype; the condition is called as

- (A) Point mutation
- (B) Paramutation
- (C) Frameshift mutation
- (D) Back mutation

25. PBR-322 is :

- (A) An artificially constructed plasmid
- (B) A natural plasmid
- (C) A cosmid
- (D) A phagemid

26. In a DNA molecule with percentage of Guanine as 24, Adenine is expected to be:

- (A) 52%
- (B) 48%
- (C) 26%
- (D) 24%

27. The ~fatty acid tail in a phospholipid molecule is

- (A) Hydrophobic
- (B) Hydrophilic
- (C) Amphipathic
- (D) None of the above

28. Which DNA sequences are functional even at a great distance from either side of the transcriptional initiation site of a gene?

- (A) Response elements
- (B) Promoters
- (C) Enhancers
- (D) Operators

29. Brown eye is dominant over blue eye. A brown-eyed couple has a blue-eyed child. The genotype of the couple would be

- (A) BB x bb
- (B) bb x bb
- (C) BB x Bb
- (D) Bb x Bb

30. Which mutation of the sequence GATCCT is a transition?

- (A) GGTCCT
- (B) GTTCCT
- (C) GTATCCT
- (D) GTCCT

31. A motile flagellated asexual cell is called:

- (A) Sperm
- (B) Zoospore
- (C) Oospore
- (D) Androspore

32. Algae are classified into major groups on the basis of:

- (A) Nature of the reserve food product
- (B) Chemical composition of the cell wall

- (C) The type of pigment
- (D) Vegetative characters

33. The conjugating gametangia of *Rhizopus* are
- (A) Physiologically similar but morphologically dissimilar
 - (B) Physiologically dissimilar but morphologically similar
 - (C) Physiologically similar and morphologically similar
 - (D) Physiologically dissimilar and morphologically dissimilar

34. All fungi lack :
- (A) Centrioles
 - (B) Cell wall
 - (C) Rhizoids
 - (D) Haustoria

35. The capsule of the sporophyte in *Polytrichum* lacks:
- (A) Operculum
 - (B) Peristome
 - (C) Columella
 - (D) None of the above

36. *Equisetum* is :
- (A) Incipiently heterosporous
 - (B) Distinctly heterosporous
 - (C) Homosporous
 - (D) Asporous

37. The form genus *Rhynia* was discovered by:
- (A) Kidston and Lang
 - (B) Arnold
 - (C) Birbal Sahni
 - (D) Campbell

38. The simplest known sporophyte among Bryophyta occurs in
- (A) *Funaria*
 - (B) *Anthoceros*
 - (C) *Marchantia*
 - (D) *Riccia*

39. One of the main reasons for including Cyanophyceae in Procaryota is:
- (A) Absence of sexual reproduction
 - (B) Absence of flagellated spores
 - (C) Absence of nuclear membrane
 - (D) Presence of mucilaginous sheath

40. The genome of plant viruses is mostly:

- (A) ssDNA
- (B) ssRNA
- (C) dsDNA
- (D) dsRNA

41. Which of the following is *not* a characteristic feature of *Cycas*?

- (A) Circinate vernation of foliage leaves
- (B) Armed parenchyma
- (C) Motile sperms
- (D) Vessels in the xylem

42. K.R Sporne (1974) has placed ~ the order Cordaitales in the group:

- (A) Coniferopsida
- (B) Cycadopsida
- (C) Gnetopsida
- (D) Cordaitopsida

43. The form genus *Caytonia* represents

- (A) Microsporophyll
- (B) Megasporophyll
- (C) Foliage leaf
- (D) All of the above

44. Which of the following statements is *not* correct?

- (A) All seed plants are heterosporous
- (B) *Selaginella* shows incipient seed habit
- (C) All vascular plants bear seeds
- (D) The seeds have survival value

45. Amongst the following attributes of a flower, which one is considered to be the primitive?

- (A) Floral parts fused
 - (B) Ovary superior
 - (C) Symmetry bilateral
 - (D) Floral parts reduced to less than four
- (A)

46. In tetradynamous condition, the stamens are arranged in two whorls of:

- (A) 2 (short) + 2 (long)
- (B) 2 (long) + 4 (short)
- (C) 4 (short) + 4 (long)
- (D) 4 (long) + 2 (short)

47. In a dichotomous taxonomic key, the statement "Flowers red" would be called:

- (A) A lead
- (B) A couplet
- (C) A triplet

(D) A character

48. The Pome type of fruit occurs in

- A) Pomegranate
- (B) Peach
- (C) Plum
- (D) Pear

49. In a descending order, the correct sequence of the following categories in the taxonomic hierarchy would be :

- (A) Class, Division, Order, Family, Genus, Species
- (B) Order, Division, Class, Family, Genus, Species
- (C) Division, Class, Order, Family, Genus, Species
- (D) Division, Order, Class, Family, Genus, Species

50. Bentham and Hooker's system of classification of plants was published in the

- (A) Genera Plantarum
- (B) Species Plantarum
- (C) Historia Plantarum
- (D) Systema Naturae

51. The first pollinating agents in angiosperms were probably

- (A) Beetles
- (B) Birds
- (C) Bats
- D) Butterflies

52. The Quiescent Center is a reservoir of cells showing

- (A) High meristematic activity
- (B) Occasional meristematic activity
- (C) No meristematic activity
- (D) Annual meristematic activity

53. The companion cells are absent in :

- (A) Halophytes
- (B) Xerophytes
- (C) Monocots
- (D) Gymnosperms

54. Which of the following structures is *not* found in an angiosperm leaf?

- (A) Periderm
- (B) Guard cell
- (C) Chloroplast
- (D) -Phloem

55. The structural arrangement of wood components is called as

- (A) Texture of wood
- (B) Figure of wood
- (C) Grain of wood
- (D) Gravity of wood

56. The annual growth rings are distinct in plants growing in the:

- (A) Tropical regions
- (B) Arctic regions
- (C) Grasslands
- (D) Temperate regions

57. The Tunica and Corpus regions of the shoot apex are usually distinguished by the:

- (A) Numbers of cell division
- (B) Rates of cell division
- (C) Planes of cell division
- (D) None of the above

58. The female gametophyte of a typical dicot at the time of fertilization is

- (A) 8-nucleate, 8-celled
- (B) 8-nucleate, 7-celled
- (C) 7-nucleate, 7-celled
- (D) 7-nucleate, 8-celled

59. The function of the tapetum in an anther is related to:

- (A) Dehiscence
- (B) Division
- (C) Protection
- (D) Nutrition

60. The single cotyledon in grass embryo is called

- (A) Scutellum
- (B) Coleorhiza
- (C) Coleoptile
- (D) Endothelium