# Tansey Test Bank, Chapter 2: Nucleic Acids

**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

1.Nucleotides play a central role in living organisms because \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) they mediate transport of energy within the cell

B) they are involved in oxidation-reduction reactions

C) they are involved in intracellular signaling

D) they function as building blocks for nucleic acids

E) all of the above

Answer: E

Difficulty: Easy

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

2.What group is attached to the pyrimidine ring in thymine and is not present in uracil?

A) ribose

B) –CH3

C) –NH2

D) deoxyribose

E) none of the above

Answer: B

Difficulty: Moderate

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

3.Nucleotides contain one or more phosphate groups that are usually attached to the \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) C-3ꞌ or C-5ꞌ atoms

B) C-3 or C-3ꞌ atoms

C) C-5 or N-3 atoms

D) C-1ꞌ or N-3 atoms

E) none of the above

Answer: A

Difficulty: Moderate

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

4.Inside our cells, free nucleotides are almost always associated with \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) proteins

B) cholesterol

C) Cl− counterions

D) fatty acids

E) Mg2+ counterions

Answer: E

Difficulty: Moderate

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

5.Nucleoside triphosphates are useful for energy transfer because the phosphoanhydride bonds are relatively \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) stable

B) high energy

C) biocompatible

D) large

E) low energy

Answer: B

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.1

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

6.Nucleoside triphosphates carry energy in the form of \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) glycosidic bonds

B) phosphoester bonds

C) phosphoanhydride bonds

D) hydrogen bonds

E) amide linkages

Answer: C

Difficulty: Moderate

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

7.Which of the following nucleotides contain energy rich bonds?

A) ATP

B) TTP

C) GTP

D) CTP

E) all of the above

Answer: E

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.1

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

8.Which of the following molecules does *not* contain an energy-rich phosphoanhydride bond?

A) ADP

B) GDP

C) AMP

D) CDP

E) all of the above

Answer: C

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.1

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**SHORT ANSWER**

9.Which of the following bases pairs with guanine?



Answer: E

Difficulty: Easy

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

10.Knowledge about the tautomeric forms of the bases of nucleic acids is needed \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) to understand H-bonding between the complementary bases

B) to understand how the bases are linked to ribose

C) to understand how bases are linked to deoxyribose

D) to understand the ability of nucleotides to act as energy carriers

E) to distinguish the 5ꞌ end of a DNA strand from the 3ꞌ end

Answer: A

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.1

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

11.RNA occurs primarily as single-stranded molecules that can give rise to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ structures.

A) diploid

B) stem-loop

C) parallel

D) tautomeric

E) haploid

Answer: B

Difficulty: Easy

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**SHORT ANSWER**

12.Which of the following bases is *not* present in RNA?



Answer: D

Difficulty: Easy

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**SHORT ANSWER**

13. This is the structure of adenine.



a. Is adenine a purine or a pyrimidine?

b. Which base does adenine base-pair (H-bond) with in DNA?

c. What is the name of the molecule that is composed of adenine linked to the C-1ꞌ of ribose?

d. Indicate on the drawing through which atom adenine is connected to ribose or deoxyribose.

e. Indicate on the drawing which groups on adenine are involved in base-pairing or H-bonding with its complementary base.

Answer: a. purine

b. thymine

c. adenosine

d. see diagram

e. see diagram

Difficulty: Difficult

Section: 2.1

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**SHORT ANSWER**

14.Describe the structure of a DNA molecule by listing six characteristics.

Answer: 1. DNA forms a double helix.

 2. The two strands run antiparallel.

 3. The sugar is deoxyribose.

 4. The sugar-phosphate groups are on the outside of the helix.

 5. The bases are in the center of the helix.

 6. The bases are planar, and their plane is orientated perpendicular to the axis of the helix.

 6. There are four bases: adenine, guanine, cytosine, and thymine.

 7. The strands are held together by H-bonding between complementary bases: adenine- thymine and guanine-cytosine.

 8. The helix has a minor and a major groove on its surface.

Difficulty: Difficult

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**SHORT ANSWER**

15.This is the structure of cytosine.



a. What are the names of the other three bases that are found in DNA?

b. Is cytosine a purine or a pyrimidine?

c. Give the name and the one letter abbreviation of the base cytosine base-pairs (H-bonds) with in DNA.

d. What is the name of the molecule composed of cytosine linked to ribose?

e. Indicate on the drawing through which atom cytosine is connected to ribose or deoxyribose

f. Indicate on the drawing which groups on cytosine are involved in base-pairing (H-bonding) with its complementary base.

Answer: a. adenine, guanine, and thymine

b. pyrimidine

c. guanine, G

d. cytidine

e. see diagram

f. see diagram

Difficulty: Difficult

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**TEXT ENTRY**

16.The pyrimidine found in both DNA and RNA is \_\_\_\_\_. The pyrimidine found only in DNA is \_\_\_\_\_, and the pyrimidine found only in RNA is \_\_\_\_\_.

Answer 1: cytosine

Answer 2: thymine

Answer 3: uracil

Difficulty: Moderate

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**DROPDOWN**

17. The link between a purine and ribose is made from the \_\_\_\_ of the purine ring to the \_\_\_\_ of the ribose.

Dropdown 1: N-1, N-3, N-7, **N-9**

Dropdown 2: **C-1ꞌ**, C-2ꞌ, C-3ꞌ, C-4ꞌ, C-5ꞌ

Difficulty: Moderate

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**DROPDOWN**

18.The link between a pyrimidine and ribose is made from the \_\_\_ of the pyrimidine ring to the \_\_\_ of the ribose.

Dropdown 1: **N-1**, N-3

Dropdown 2: **C-1ꞌ**, C-2ꞌ, C-3ꞌ, C-4ꞌ, C-5ꞌ

Difficulty: Moderate

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

19.In DNA, the ribose derivative lacks an \_\_\_\_\_ on C-\_\_\_\_\_.

A) alcohol; 2

B) alcohol; 3

C) amine; 2

D) amine; 3

E) none of the above

Answer: A

Difficulty: Moderate

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

20.What type of bond is made between nucleotides?

A) ester

B) phosphoester

C) phosphodiester

D) glycosidic

E) none of the above

Answer: C

Difficulty: Easy

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

21.The most common base pairs in DNA are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

A) A-T; A-G

B) G-C; C-A

C) T-A; A-U

D) C-G; T-A

E) G-U; A-T

Answer: D

Difficulty: Moderate

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

22.An A-T base pair consists of \_\_\_\_\_ H-bond(s); a C-G base pair consists of \_\_\_\_\_ H-bond(s).

A) 1; 2

B) 2; 1

C) 2; 2

D) 3; 2

E) 2; 3

Answer: E

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.1

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

23.Which of the following correctly describes the B-DNA double helix?

A) antiparallel strands

B) right-handed helix

C) base pairs are located in the center of the helix

D) one helical rotation has a rise of 3.4 nm

E) all of the above

Answer: E

Difficulty: Difficult

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

24.The DNA strand that serves as the template for the synthesis of RNA is often called the \_\_\_\_\_.

A) coding strand

B) noncoding strand

C) messenger strand

D) transfer strand

E) transcription strand

Answer: B

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.2

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

25.The replication of DNA is made possible by the presence of \_\_\_\_\_ strands in the double helix of DNA.

A) antiparallel

B) hydrogen-bonded

C) complementary

D) genomic

E) none of the above

Answer: C

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.2

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

26.In living organisms, genetic information is most often stored in the form of \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) ribonucleic acid

B) deoxyribonucleic acid

C) proteins

D) enzymes

E) deoxynucleotides

Answer: B

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.2

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

27.Genomic DNA is \_\_\_\_\_, resulting in the production of \_\_\_\_\_.

A) transcribed; mRNA

B) translated; tRNA

C) transcribed; protein

D) translated; protein

E) translated; rRNA

Answer: A

Difficulty: Moderate

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

28.An *E. coli* has \_\_\_\_\_ replication fork(s) on its single chromosome; humans have \_\_\_\_\_ replication fork(s) on each chromosome.

A) 1; 1

B) 1; 2

C) 2; 2

D) 2; many

E) many; many

Answer: D

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.2

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

29.Which strand of DNA is replicated exclusively in a discontinuous fashion?

A) forward strand

B) reverse strand

C) leading strand

D) lagging strand

E) the strand that is read in a 5ꞌ to 3ꞌ direction

Answer: D

Difficulty: Easy

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

30.Which of the following best describes a new strand of DNA relative to the template strand used to synthesize it?

A) an exact duplicate of the template

B) a negative copy of the template

C) a palindromic copy of the template

D) an exact copy of the template but with the 3ꞌ and 5ꞌ ends reversed

E) none of the above

Answer: B

Difficulty: Moderate

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

31.In most organisms, replication proceeds in a \_\_\_\_\_ manner from the \_\_\_\_\_.

A) bidirectional; replication origin

B) bidirectional; theta site

C) bidirectional; lagging strand

D) unidirectional; chromosome ends

E) none of the above

Answer: A

Difficulty: Easy

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

32**.** Genomic DNA that encodes proteins undergoes the process of \_\_\_\_\_ to produce \_\_\_\_\_.

A) transcription; mRNA

B) transcription; tRNA

C) translation; rRNA

D) translation; proteins

E) transcription; proteins

Answer: A

Difficulty: Moderate

Section: 2.2

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**TEXT ENTRY**

33.Prokaryotes contain nucleotide sequences known as \_\_\_\_\_ that contain related genes with related functions.

Answer: operons

Difficulty: Easy

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

34.All cellular RNAs are transcribed from \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) DNA templates

B) RNA templates

C) either DNA or RNA templates, but not both in the same organism

D) a combination of DNA and RNA templates

E) none of the above

Answer: A

Difficulty: Easy

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

35.The term rRNA refers to \_\_\_\_\_\_ RNA.

A) ribosomal

B) retroviral

C) recombinant

D) rho factor

Answer: A

Difficulty: Easy

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

36.Polypeptide synthesis proceeds from the \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_.

A) entrance site; exit site

B) 50S subunit; 30S subunit

C) C-terminus; N-terminus

D) N-terminus; C-terminus

E) peptidyl site; aminoacyl site

Answer: D

Difficulty: Moderate

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

37.Which of the following is a function of the ribosome?

I. bind mRNA and allow codon recognition

II. mediate the binding of proteins necessary for initiation, elongation, and termination

III. catalyze synthesis of peptide bonds

IV. translocate such that multiple codons can be read

A) I only

B) I, II

C) I, IV

D) II only

E) I, II, III, IV

Answer: E

Difficulty: Moderate

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

38.Which diagram correctly depicts a ribosome engaged in translation?

 

A) a

B) b

C) c

D) d

Answer: A

Difficulty: Difficult

Section: 2.2

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

39.Transfer RNA molecules are involved in \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) transcription

B) translation

C) replication

D) reverse transcription

E) post-translational processing

Answer: B

Difficulty: Easy

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**SHORT ANSWER**

40.There are three types of RNA that are directly involved in translation.

a. Name these three types of RNA

b. Briefly describe the function of each of these types of RNA.

Answer: a. mRNA, tRNA, rRNA

b. mRNA moves genetic information from the nucleus to the ribosomes in the cytoplasm. tRNA decodes the genetic message; it matches sequences of three nucleotides to amino acids. rRNA is involved in the catalysis of amide bond formation.

Difficulty: Difficult

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**TEXT ENTRY**

41.In bacteria, riboflavin can inhibit its own synthesis by binding to an mRNA element termed a \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Answer: riboswitch

Difficulty: Moderate

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

42.RNA interference is a mechanism of post-transcriptional RNA-dependent \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) chromatin-remodeling

B) gene silencing

C) histone methylation

D) coactivation

E) apoptosis

Answer: B

Difficulty: Easy

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

43.Which of the following would likely result in the formation of RNAi?

A) injection of antisense RNA from a human into human cells

B) injection of sense RNA into *C. elegans*

C) injection of antisense RNA from yeast into a human

D) all of the above

E) none of the above

Answer: E

Difficulty: Difficult

Section: 2.2

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

44.Incorporation of which of the following would result in chain termination during sequencing of DNA?

A) dATP

B) dCTP

C) ddTTP

D) dGTP

E) none of the above

Answer: C

Difficulty: Easy

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

45.The results of DNA sequencing are obtained by first separating different-sized pieces of DNA using \_\_\_\_\_ followed by detection of the particular dideoxynucleotide using \_\_\_\_\_.

A) HPLC; NMR

B) HPLC; absorbance spectroscopy

C) electrophoresis; fluorescence spectroscopy

D) electrophoresis; X-ray crystallography

E) none of the above

Answer: C

Difficulty: Moderate

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

46.The most commonly used technique for making large numbers of copies of DNA is \_\_\_\_\_.

A) polymerase chain reaction

B) dideoxy sequencing

C) restriction digestion

D) genetic engineering

E) site-directed mutagenesis

Answer: A

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.3

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

47.Because of the high temperature \_\_\_\_\_ step during a PCR reaction, the DNA polymerase from \_\_\_\_\_ is used.

A) primer extension; *E. coli*

B) strand separation; *Thermus aquaticus*

C) primer annealing; *Thermus aquaticus*

D) primer extension; bacteriophage λ

E) strand separation; *E. coli*

Answer: B

Difficulty: Moderate

Section: 2.3

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

48.What reagents are required to perform PCR?

A) DNA fragment, primers flanking the region of interest, dNTPs, DNA polymerase

B) DNA fragment, primers flanking the region of interest, dNTPs, ddNTPs, DNA polymerase

C) DNA fragment, one primer, dNTPs, DNA polymerase, DNA ligase

D) DNA fragment, one primer, dNTPs, DNA polymerase, DNA endonuclease

E) DNA fragment, primers flanking the region of interest, dNTPs, DNA endonuclease

Answer: A

Difficulty: Moderate

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

49.Which of the following represents the correct order of steps in a PCR reaction beginning with double-stranded DNA?

A) primer annealing, strand separation, primer extension

B) strand separation, primer extension, primer annealing

C) strand separation, primer annealing, primer extension

D) primer extension, primer annealing, strand separation

E) primer annealing, primer extension, strand separation

Answer: C

Difficulty: Moderate

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

50.EcoRI recognizes the sequence 5ꞌ-G↓AATTC-3ꞌ (the arrow indicates the point of cleavage). Treatment of the following oligonucleotide with EcoRI would produce two oligonucleotides with sizes of \_\_\_\_\_ nucleotides containing \_\_\_\_\_ ends.

 5ꞌ–AAGTCGATACAGAATTCGTACCTAG–3ꞌ

A) 12 and 13; blunt

B) 12 and 8; blunt

C) 11 and 8; sticky

D) 12 and 13; sticky

E) 9 and 13; sticky

Answer: D

Difficulty: Difficult

Section: 2.3

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

51.What term describes a small, circular molecule of DNA that can be used to transfer genetic material from one organism to another?

A) plasmid

B) bacteriophage

C) clone

D) tRNA

E) splice

Answer: A

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.3

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

52.What term describes the production of multiple identical organisms from a single ancestor?

A) transcription

B) cloning

C) sequencing

D) phenotyping

E) ligation

Answer: B

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.3

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

53.What enzyme is required to form a new phosphodiester bond when inserting DNA into a plasmid?

A) DNA polymerase

B) endonuclease

C) exonuclease

D) ligase

E) clonase

Answer: D

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.3

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

54.What technique involves addition of primers that do not exactly match the sequence of a gene, thus allowing for introduction of a mutation?

A) cloning

B) transformation

C) site-directed mutagenesis

D) selection

E) none of the above

Answer: C

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.3

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

55.Double-stranded DNA molecules can be cleaved at specific recognition sites by \_\_\_\_\_.

A) RNA polymerase

B) DNA ligase

C) DNA polymerase

D) reverse transcriptase

E) Type II restriction endonucleases

Answer: E

Difficulty: Moderate

Section: 2.3

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

56.DNA sequencing using the Sanger method requires \_\_\_\_\_.

A) template, primer, DNA polymerase, mRNA, dNTPs, ddNTPs

B) template, primer, DNA polymerase, dNTPs, ddNTPs

C) template, primer, DNA polymerase, rRNA, dNTPs, ddNTPs

D) template, primer, DNA polymerase, mRNA, dNTPs

E) none of the above

Answer: B

Difficulty: Moderate

Section: 2.3

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

57.In Sanger dideoxy DNA sequencing, DNA polymerase I is used to add nucleotides to the \_\_\_\_\_ end of the growing polynucleotide chain.

A) sticky

B) blunt

C) 3ꞌ

D) 5ꞌ

E) dideoxy-nucleotide-containing

Answer: C

Difficulty: Moderate

Section: 2.3

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

58.DNA sequencing by the chain-termination method uses DNA polymerase I to make a complementary copy of the target or template DNA molecule. A reaction with a 20 bp template and dideoxyadenosine nucleotides as terminators results in the production of a 5 bp fragment. Based on this result, we can conclude that the template contains \_\_\_\_\_.

A) a cytosine at position 5

B) a thymine at position 5

C) a cytosine at position 16

D) a thymine at position 16

E) a uracil at position 5

Answer: D

Difficulty: Difficult

Section: 2.3

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

59.Mutations leading to changes that can be inherited by the next generation have to be introduced at the \_\_\_\_\_\_ level.

A) DNA

B) rRNA

C) protein

D) mRNA

E) tRNA

Answer: A

Difficulty: Moderate

Section: 2.3

Learning Objective: Describe how alterations to nucleic acids in the cell can facilitate biochemical studies.

**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

60.In molecular cloning, transformed organisms must be identified. One common method for accomplishing this involves the inclusion of \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the plasmid.

A) a restriction site

B) a nuclease gene

C) a deletion

D) an origin of replication

E) an antibiotic resistance gene

Answer: E

Difficulty: Moderate

Section: 2.3

Learning Objective: Describe how alterations to nucleic acids in the cell can facilitate biochemical studies.

**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

61.To perform PCR, which of the following describes the reagents that must be included in the reaction mixture?

A) DNA fragment, primers flanking the region of interest, dNTPs, DNA polymerase

B) DNA fragment, primers flanking the region of interest, dNTPs, ddNTPS, DNA polymerase

C) DNA fragment, one primer, dNTPs, DNA polymerase, DNA ligase

D) DNA fragment, primers flanking the region of interest, dNTPs, DNA ligase

E) none of the above

Answer: A

Difficulty: Moderate

Section: 2.3

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

62.Which of the following statements about PCR is (are) true?

A) Small amounts of DNA can be easily amplified to millions of copies.

B) PCR is often used in forensics laboratories.

C) PCR reaction products can be used in molecular cloning.

D) PCR is used in clinical laboratories.

E) All of the above

Answer: E

Difficulty: Difficult

Section: 2.3

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

63.DNA polymerase from *Thermus aquaticus* is used in PCR because \_\_\_\_\_.

A) it is a soluble protein

B) the genes from *Thermus aquaticus* are readily distinguished from those of “normal” organisms

C) the enzyme is readily deactivated by heat, effectively halting the reaction

D) it is stable at high temperatures

E) it is not infectious

Answer: D

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.3

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

64.A gene knockout is \_\_\_\_\_.

A) a gene that has been inactivated or removed from an organism

B) a dominant gene that knocks out expression of other genes

C) a gene inserted in place of another gene

D) a gene present on a YAC

E) none of the above

Answer: A

Difficulty: Moderate

Section: 2.3

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**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

65.Recombinant DNA technology can be used for \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) constructing mutant proteins

B) the industrial production of useful proteins

C) producing transgenic organisms

D) correcting genetic defects

E) all of the above

Answer: E

Difficulty: Easy

Section: 2.3

Learning Objective: Describe how alterations to nucleic acids in the cell can facilitate biochemical studies.