INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT

CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENT

QUESTION BANK

Biomolecules

1	Name a polysaccharide which is stored in the liver of animals.	1
2	What structural feature is required for a carbohydrate to behave as	1
	reducing sugar?	
3	How many asymmetric carbon atoms are present in D (+) glucose?	1
4	Give the significance of (+)-sign in the name D-(+)-glucose.	1
5	Glucose is an aldose sugar but it does not react with sodium hydrogen	1
	sulphite. Give reason.	
6	Why is sucrose called invert sugar?	1
7	Name the building blocks of proteins.	1
8	Give the structure of simplest optically active amino acid.	1
9	Name the amino acid which is not optically active.	1
10	Name the enzyme which catalyses the hydrolysis of maltose into glucose	1
11	How would you explain the amphoteric behavior of amino acids.	1
12	Which forces are responsible for the stability of α -helical structure of proteins	1
13	Which nucleic acid is responsible for carrying out protein synthesis in the	1
	cell.	
14	The two strands in DNA are not identical but complementary. Explain.	1
15	When RNA is hydrolysed, there is no relationship among the quantities of	1

different bases obtained. What does this fact suggest about the structure of RNA.

16	What type of linkage holds together the monomers of DNA and RNA.	1
17	A child diagnosed with bone deformities, is likely to have the deficiency of	1
	which vitamin?	
18	What is meant by the term DNA fingerprinting?	1
19	Name the vitamin responsible for coagulation of blood	1
20	Except vitamin B ₁₂ , all other vitamins of group B, should be supplied regularly in	1
	diet. Why?	
21	How is glucose prepared commercially?	1
22	What is the structural difference between glucose and fructose?	1
23	Which disaccharides are non – reducing sugars?	1
24	What is the meaning of statement- Glucose is an aldohexose.	1
25	Why are polysaccharides considered non- sugars?	1
26	Name the reagents used to check the reducing nature of carbohydrates	1
27	Name the forces responsible for secondary and tertiary structure.	1
28	Name the different types of RNA molecules found in the cells of organisms.	1
29	What is nucleoside?	1
30	Write the sequence of bases in the complementary strand of the given strand -	1
	AGGCTTAACCT	
31	What are anomers. Give the structures of two anomers of glucose.	2
32	Write the hydrolysed products of	2
	(i) maltose (ii) cellulose.	

33	Name the two components of starch? Which one is water soluble?	2
34	i) Acetylation of glucose with acetic anhydride gives glucose pentaacetate. Write	2
	the structure of the pentaacetate.	
	ii) Explain why glucose pentaacetate does not react with hydroxylamine?	
35	What are vitamins? How are they classified?	2
36	Classify the following as monosaccharides or oligosaccharides.	2
	(i) Ribose (ii) Maltose(iii) Galactose(iv) Lactose	
37	Write the products of oxidation of glucose with	2
	(a) Bromine water (b) Nitric acid	
38	State two main differences between globular and fibrous proteins	2
39	What are essential and non essential amino acids? Give one example of	2
	each type.	
40	Classify the following as globular or fibrous proteins.	2
	(i) Keratin (ii) Myosin(iii) Insulin (iv) Haemoglobin.	
41	What do you understand by	2
	(a) denaturation of protein (b) specificity of an enzyme	
42	i) Name the disease caused by deficiency of vitamin D.	2
	ii) Why cannot vitamin C be stored in our body?	
43	Define the terms hypervitaminosis and avitaminosis.	2
44	Explain what is meant by:	2
	(i) a peptide linkage(ii) a glycosidic linkage?	
45	What are the main functions of DNA and RNA in human body?	2
46	Give the sources of vitamin A and E and name the deficiency diseases	2

resulting from lack of vitamin A and E in the diet.

47	Give a reaction to prove that –	2
	i) Glucose has carbonyl group	
	ii) The six carbons in glucose are arranged in a straight chain	
48	Which reaction of glucose cannot be explained by its cyclic structure?	2
49	What are the expected products of hydrolysis of	2
	i) Sucrose	
	ii) Galactose	
50	What is animal starch? Where is it found?	2
51	Differentiate between α - helical and $\beta\text{-}$ pleated sheet structure.	2
52	What do you understand by secondary structure of proteins?	2
53	How are carbohydrate classified?	3
54	i) Name four bases present in DNA.	3
	ii) Which of them is not present in RNA.	
	iii) Give the structure of a nucleotide of DNA.	
55	Differentiate between the following:	3
	i) Secondary and tertiary structure of protein.	
	ii) α -Helix and β -pleated sheet structure of protein	
	iii) Fibrous and globular proteins.	