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**INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT
HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION 2023
BIOLOGY (044)**



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- 3. Among the terms listed below, those that are not technically correct names for a floral whorl are 1
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(a) (i) and (iv)
(b) (iii) and (iv)
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 6. In sickle cell anemia glutamic acid is replaced by valine. Which one of the following triplets codes for valine? 1
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 10. The membranous cover of the ovum at ovulation is 1
 (a) corona radiata
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 (c) plasma membrane
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12. Which of the following enzymes is used for transcription? 1
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20. Differentiate between the two cells enclosed in a mature male gametophyte of an angiosperm. 2
21. At the time of independence, the population of India was 350 million which exploded to over one billion by May 2000. List any two reasons for the rise in population and any two steps taken by the government to check this population explosion. 2

SECTION C

22. a) Describe the endosperm development in coconut. 3
b) Why is tender coconut considering a healthy source of nutrition?
c) How are pea seeds different from castor seed?
23. A pea plant with purple flowers was crossed with a plant with white flowers producing 40 plants with only purple flowers. On selfing these plants produced 470 plants with purple flowers and 162 with white flowers. What genetic mechanisms account for these results? 3

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24. Differentiate between major structural changes in the human ovary during the follicular and luteal phase of the menstrual cycle. 3
25. Mention the sites of action of the 'hormone GnRH and FSH during spermatogenesis in human males. Give one, function of each of the hormones. 3
26. How are assisted reproductive technologies helpful to humans? How are ZIFT and GIFT different from intra uterine transfers? Explain. 3
27. In a cross between a tall plant with yellow seeds (DdYy) and a tall plant with green seeds (Ddyy) what proportion of the offspring could be expected to be (i) tall and green (ii) dwarf and green? Which law of Mendel is known as Universal Law? 3
28. It is established that RNA is the first genetic material. Explain giving three reasons. 3

SECTION D

29. Read the following and answer any four questions from (i) to (v) given below: 4

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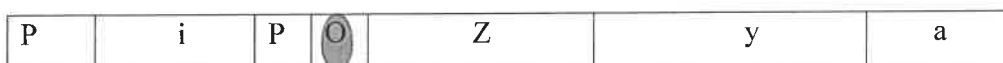
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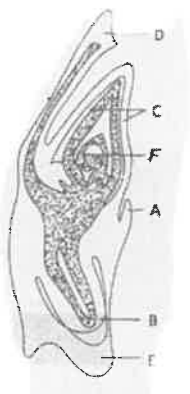
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SECTION E

31. Study the schematic representation of the genes involved in lac operon given below and answer the questions that follow:

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- a) Identify and name the regulatory gene in this operon. Explain its role in „switching off“ the operon.
- b) What kind of gene regulation is lac operon? Positive or negative?
- c) Name the inducer molecule and the products of the genes z and y of the operon. State the functions of these gene products.

OR

How did Alfred Hershey and Martha Chase arrive at the conclusion that DNA is the genetic material?

32. a) List the different parts of human oviduct through which the ovum travels till it meets the sperm for fertilization. 5
b) Identify and draw the stage at which the embryo gets implanted in the uterus.

OR

- a) Why do some female use “Saheli” pills?
b) Describe any one natural method of contraception.
c) Which are the two methods of embryo transfer followed by IVF?
33. a) State the law of independent assortment. 5
b) Using Punnett square demonstrate the law of independent assortment in a dihybrid cross involving two heterozygous parents.

OR

Describe the pattern of mechanism of inheritance of ABO blood group in human.

******END OF THE QUESTION PAPER******

