

This practice test is designed to help you determine what concepts you DO know and more importantly what concepts you DO NOT know!

Go through the practice test **THREE** times:

(1) On your own (2) With your notes (3) With another student

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Each time, if you cannot answer a question, draw a circle around it to identify that you should review this concept when preparing for the test.

**Multiple Choice. Choose the BEST answer (1 mark each)**

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1. Which structure controls what enters and leaves a cell?

- a. Nucleus
- b. Cell membrane
- c. Ribosome
- d. Mitochondria

A

2. Which base does thymine always pair with?

- a. Adenine
- b. Cytosine
- c. Guanine
- d. Thymine

D

3. Which of the following best describes binary fission?

- a. A form of asexual reproduction in which spores are created.
- b. The transfer of genetic material directly from one cell to another.
- c. The fusing together of two cells to form one.
- d. A form of asexual reproduction through cell elongation and then division.

C

4. Reproduction by vegetative propagation occurs when

- a. Amoebas divide in half
- b. Planaria are cut in half and grow back the missing parts
- c. A tree produces new green shoots in springtime
- d. Yeast cells produce new smaller cells that break off and float away

B

5. The stage of mitosis during which the nucleolus and nuclear membrane disappear is

- a. Anaphase
- b. Prophase
- c. Telophase
- d. Metaphase

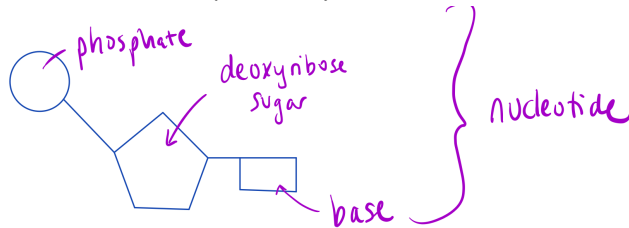
## Short Answers.

1. Write out the **complementary sequence** of the following DNA strand (1 mark)

Strand 1: C C A T G G T C A

Strand 2: G G T A C C A G T

2. Draw and label the **3 parts of a nucleotide** (3 marks)



3. What are **2 advantages** and **1 disadvantage** of **asexual reproduction**? (3 marks)

**Advantage 1:** Only one parent needed (no need to spend energy to find a mate)

**Advantage 2:** Reproduction occurs quickly

**Disadvantage 1:** Lack of genetic diversity

4. What **method** does a planarian (flatworm) use to reproduce asexually? **Describe** this method of reproduction (2 marks)

**Method:** Fragmentation

**Description:** Organisms break into two or more fragments that develop into a brand new individual

5. What **stage** does a cell spend **most of its life cycle in**? What is it **doing** during this time? (2 marks)

Interphase - the cell grows larger and doubles the number of organelles  
- DNA in the nucleus is copied

- Creates a centrosome (aids during cell division by pulling the chromatids apart)

6. Describe what is happening to DNA during the **4 phases of mitosis** (4 marks)

**Prophase** - DNA condenses into duplicated chromosomes

**Metaphase** - Chromosomes line up along the middle of the cell

**Anaphase** - Sister chromatids get pulled apart to each end of the cell

**Telophase** - Chromosomes decompress

- 2 nuclei form → each nucleus contains a complete copy of cell's DNA