



## SECTION A

**QUESTION 1 (COMPULSORY) Write the answer only in your booklet**

Note: All questions = 1 marks except \* = 2 marks; underlined = 3 marks

1. Introduction of elements into the biotic environment requires \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_ is an interaction arising due to overlap in resource utilisation by organisms.
3. Name one way by which organisms minimise predation. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Organisms which depend on fluid filled cavity for maintenance of body form and support are said to have a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ skeleton.
5. In which class is the amniotic egg first observed?
- 6\*. Give any two factors which need to be satisfied for genetic equilibrium to be maintained.
7. Individuals of the same group living in the same habitat are known as a \_\_\_\_\_
8. Give any three factors which need to be satisfied for genetic equilibrium to be maintained.
- 9\*. Give two reasons why Protista are economically important.
- 10\*. What is the importance of reproductive isolation?
11. The random exchange of alleles between populations is known as \_\_\_\_\_
12. Alternate forms of a gene are referred to as \_\_\_\_\_
- 13\*. Name two structures present only in plant cells
14. Name one consequence of global warming.
15. Each step along a feeding pathway is known as a \_\_\_\_\_ level.
16. State Mendel's law of Independent assortment.
17. Which genotype is used in test-crosses?
18. Name any two properties used in the assessment of body plans.
19. Give one way by which fish minimise friction in water?

[Total Marks = 25]

**QUESTION 2**

a. Differentiate between the following:

- i. Fundamental and realised niche (3)
- ii. Direct and indirect competition (3)
- iii. Viviparity and oviparity (3)
- iv. Dominant lethal and recessive lethal genes (3)
- v. Exchange pool and reservoir (3)

b. How did each of the following contribute to mammalian success

- i. lactation
- ii. parental care (10)

[Total Marks = 25]

**QUESTION 3**

a. A population of rodents has the following life-history characteristics. Assume they are all females.

- The young suffer 80% mortality in their first year;
- 20% between age 1 and 2 years;
- 20% during their third year;
- 20% during their fourth year;
- 50% during their fifth year; and all are dead at age 6
- Females produce an average of 2.5 female young at ages 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 years.

Also assume that:

- Each surviving female produces 2.5 female offspring at age 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

Some useful equations

Survivorship of next cohort = Survivorship of last cohort - (Survivorship of last cohort x Mortality rate of last cohort)

# of offspring per ♀ before death = Survivorship of cohort x Reproductive rate

Multiplication rate = survivorship at 3 months × reproductive rate at 3 months × initial number of individuals

Draw a table similar to the following table and use the information above to fill out the life table in your answer sheet:

Age interval	Survivorship at beginning of age interval	Mortality rate through interval	Survival rate through interval	Reproductive rate at beginning of interval	No. of offspring/female at beginning of interval
0-1					
1-2					
2-3					
3-4					
4-5					
5-6					

(18 marks)

c. Define the following:

- i. Community (2)
- ii. Carrying capacity (3)
- iii. Incomplete dominance (2)

[Total Marks = 25]

SECTION B

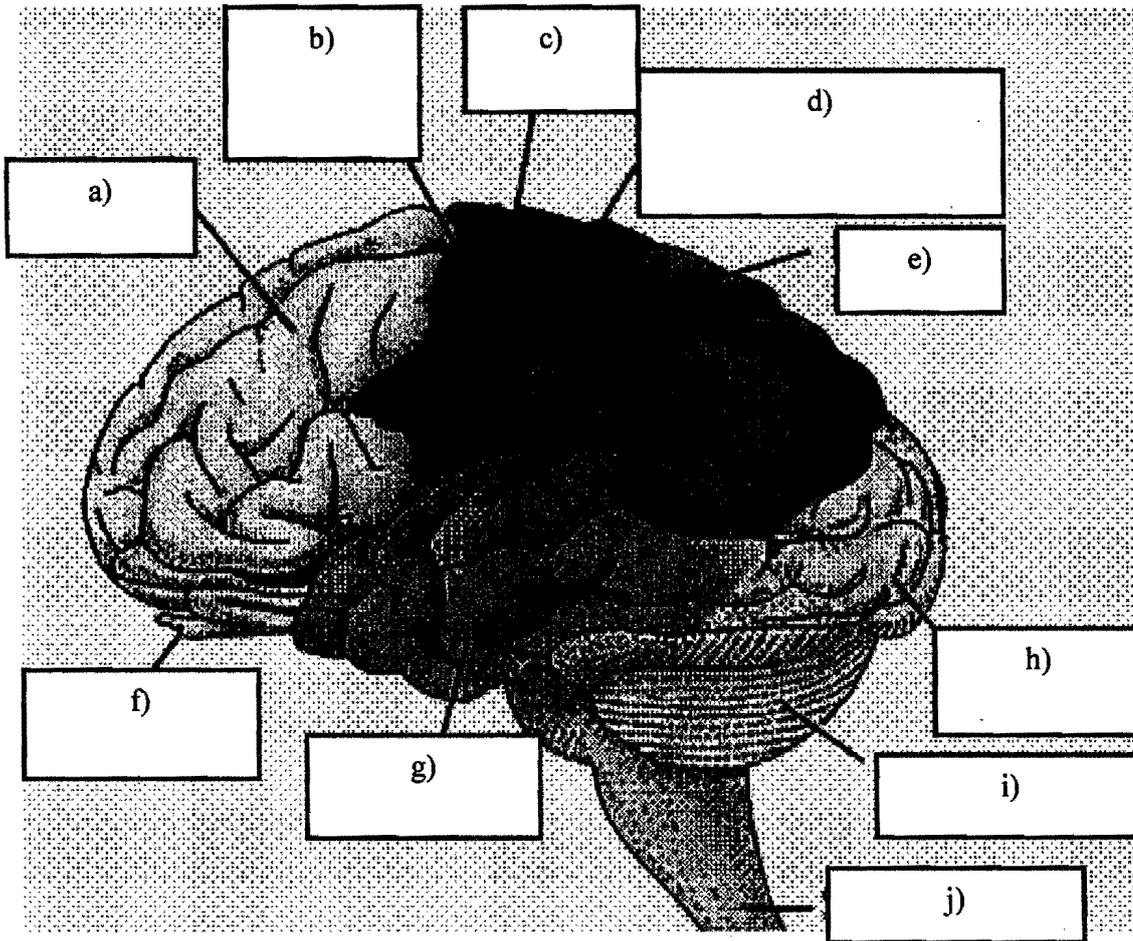
QUESTION 4

- (a) What is a carnivore? \_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_ is the number of chambers in a human heart.
- (c) Acquisition of food is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (d) Bubble-like structure of alveoli is maintained by means of substances called \_\_\_\_\_.
- (e) \_\_\_\_\_ is the supply of substrates for energy metabolism and precursors for biosynthesis.
- (f) The air sacs found in birds are grouped into \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- (g) What artery carries deoxygenated blood? \_\_\_\_\_.
- (h) The common eel (*Anguilla vulgaris*) uses \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ for gaseous exchange.
- (i) Excretory organs have a role in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- (j) The gaseous exchange system used by insects is called the \_\_\_\_\_ system.
- (k) Antennal glands are found in \_\_\_\_\_.
- (l) The volume of air inhaled by humans in a single breath is called the \_\_\_\_\_.
- (m) Name two (2) organs that involved in the control of respiration in terrestrial vertebrates \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- (n) Herbivores that eat young leaves, buds, growing shoots, seeds etc. are called \_\_\_\_\_.
- (o) Name the 2 types of blood vessels \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- (p) Name the chambers found in the stomach of a ruminant \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- (q) \_\_\_\_\_ is the expulsion of semen from the penis through the urethra.
- (r) Name two female reproductive hormones are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- (s) Name the two types of granulocytes \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- (t) Oxygen "carriers" in blood, proteins with a metal atom are called \_\_\_\_\_.

[Total Marks = 30]

QUESTION 5

Label the parts marked a) – t) in the following two diagrams. (20 Marks)



(10 Marks)

