CBSE Previous Year Question Paper Class 10 Science 2018

Time allowed: 3 hours Maximum marks: 80

General Instructions

- The question paper comprises five sections, A, B, C, D, and E. You are to attempt all the sections.
- All questions are compulsory.
- Internal choice is given in Sections B, C, D and E.
- Questions number 1 and 2 in Section A are one mark questions. They are to be answered in one word or in one sentence.
- Questions number 3 to 5 in Section B are two marks questions. These are to be answered in about 30 words each.
- Questions numbers 6 to 15 in Section C are three-marks questions. These are to be answered in about 50 words each.
- Questions numbers 16 to 21 in Section D are five-marks questions. These are to be answered in about 70 words each.
- Questions numbers 22 to 27 in Section E are based on practical skills. Each question is a two marks question. These are to be answered in brief.

Section - A

Question 1.

A Mendelian experiment consisted of breeding pea plants bearing violet flowers with pea plant bearing white flowers. What will be the result in F₁ progeny? [1] Question 2.

Write the energy conversion that takes place in a hydropower plant. [1]

Section - B

Question 3.

A compound 'X' on heating with excess cone, sulphuric acid at 443 K gives an unsaturated compound 'Y'. 'X' also reacts with sodium metal to evolve a colourless gas 'Z'. Identify 'X', 'Y' and Z'. Write the equation of the chemical reaction of the formation of 'Y' and also write the role of sulphuric acid in the reaction. [2] Question 4.

- (a) Name one gustatory receptor and one olfactory receptor present in human beings.
- (b) Write a and b in the given flow chart of the neuron through which information travels as an electrical impulse.

Dendrite \rightarrow a \rightarrow b \rightarrow End Point of Neuron Question 5.

If the image formed by a spherical mirror for all positions of the object placed in front of

it is always erect and diminished, what type of mirror is it? Draw a labeled ray diagram to support your answer. [2]

Section - C

Question 6.

Decomposition reactions require energy either in the form of heat or light or electricity for breaking down the reactants. Write one equation each for decomposition reactions where energy is supplied in the form of heat, light, and electricity. [3] Question 7.

2 ml of sodium hydroxide solution is added to a few pieces of granulated zinc metal taken in a test tube. When the contents are warmed a gas evolves which is bubbled through a soap solution before testing. Write the equation of the chemical reaction involved and the test to detect the gas. Name the gas which will be evolved when the same metal reacts with a dilute solution of a strong acid?

OR

The pH of a salt used to make tasty and crispy pakoras is 14. Identify the salt and write a chemical equation for its formation. List its two uses.

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Question 8.

- (a) Why are most carbon compounds poor conductors of electricity?
- (b) Write the name and structure of a saturated compound in which the carbon atoms have arranged a ring. Give the number of single bonds present in this compound. [3] Question 9.

Name the hormones secreted by the following endocrine glands and specify one function of each: [3]

- 1. Thyroid
- 2. Pituitary
- 3. Pancreas

Question 10.

Write one main difference between the asexual and sexual mode of reproduction. Which species is likely to have comparatively better chances of survival the one reproducing asexually or the one reproducing sexually? Give reasons to justify your answer.

Question 11.

State the laws of refraction of light. Explain the term absolute refractive index of a medium' and write an expression to relate it with the speed of light in vacuum.

OR

What is meant by power of a lens? Write its SI unit. A student uses a lens of focal length 40 cm and another of -20 cm. Write the nature and power of each lens. [3] Question 12.

Show how would you join three resistors, each of resistance 9 Ω so that the equivalent resistance of the combination is (a) 13.5 Ω (b) 6 Ω ?

OF

- (a) Write Joule's law of heating.
- (b) Two lamps, one rated 100 W; 220 V, and the other 60 W; 220 V, are connected in

parallel to electric mains supply. Find the current drawn by two bulbs from the line, if the supply voltage is 220 V. [3]

Question 13.

- (a) List the factors on which the resistance of a conductor in the shape of wire depends.
- (b) Why are metals good conductors of electricity whereas glass is a bad conductor of electricity? Give reason.
- (c) Why are alloys commonly used in electrical heating devices? Give reason. [3] Question 14.

Students in a school listened to news read in the morning assembly that the mountains of garbage in Delhi, suddenly exploded and various vehicles got buried under it. Several people were also injured and there was traffic jam all around. In the brain storming session the teacher also discussed this issue and asked the students to find out a solution to the problem of garbage. Finally they arrived at two main points—one is self management of the garbage we produce and second is to generate less garbage at individual level.

- (a) Suggest two measures to manage the garbage we produce.
- (b) As an individual what can we do to generate the least garbage? Give two points.
- (c) List two values the teacher instilled in his students in this episode. [3] Question 15.

What is the dam? Why do we seek to build large dams? While building large dams, which three main problems should particularly be addressed to maintain peace among local people? Mention them. [3]

Section - D

Question 16.

- (a) Write the steps involved in the extraction of pure metals in middle of the activity series from carbonate ores.
- (b) How is copper extracted from its sulfide ore? Explain the various steps supported by chemical equations. Draw labeled diagram for electrolytic refining of copper. [5] Question 17.
- (a) The modem periodic table has been evolved through the early attempts of Dobereiner, Newland and Mendeleev. List one advantage and one limitation of all three attempts.
- (b) Name the scientist who first of all showed that atomic number of an element is a more fundamental property than its atomic mass.
- (c) State Modem Periodic law.

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Question 18.

- (a) Mention any two components of blood.
- (b) Trace the movement of oxygenated blood in the body.
- (c) Write the function of valves present in between atria and ventricles.
- (d) Write one structural difference between the composition of artery and veins.

OR

- (a) Define excretion.
- (b) Name the basic filtration unit present in the kidney.
- (c) Draw excretory system in human beings and label the following organs of excretory system which perform the following functions:

- (i) forms urine.
- (ii) is a long tube which collects urine from kidney.
- (iii) Store urine until it is passed out.

Question 19.

- (a) Write the function of following parts in human female reproductive system:
- (i) Ovary
- (ii) Oviduct
- (iii) Uterus
- (b) Describe in brief the structure and function of placenta.

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(a) A student is unable to see clearly the words written on the black board placed at a distance of approximately 3 m from him. Name the defect of vision the boy is suffering from. State the possible causes of this defect and explain the method of correcting it.

(b) Why do stars twinkle? Explain.

- (a) Write the function of each of the following parts of the human eye:
- (i) Cornea
- (ii) Iris
- (iii) Crystalline lens
- (iv) Ciliary muscles
- (b) Why does the sun appear reddish early in the morning? Will this phenomenon be observed by an astronaut on the Moon? Give a reason to justify your answer. Question 21.
- (a) State Fleming's left-hand rule.
- (b) Write the principle of working of an electric motor.
- (c) Explain the function of the following parts of an electric motor:
- (i) Armature
- (ii) Brushes

(iii) Split ring.

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Section - E

Question 22.

A student added few pieces of aluminum metal to two test tubes A and B containing aqueous solution of iron sulphate and copper sulphate. In the second part of her experiment, she added iron metal to another test tube C and D containing aqueous solution of aluminum sulphate and copper sulphate. In which test tube or test tubes will she observe colour change? On the basis of this experiment state which one is the most reactive metal and why? [2]

Question 23.

What is observed when a solution of sodium sulphate is added to a solution of barium chloride in a test tube? Write equation for the chemical reaction involved and name the type of reaction in this case. [2]

Question 24.

List the steps of preparation of temporary mount of a leaf Peel to observe stomata. [2] Question 25.

Name the process by which an amoeba reproduces. Draw the various stages of its

reproduction in a proper sequence.

OR

A student is viewing under a microscope a permanent slide showing various stages of asexual reproduction by budding in yeast. Draw diagram of what he observes in the proper sequence. [2]

Question 26.

An object of height 4.0 cm is placed at a distance of 30 cm from optical centre 'O' of a convex lens of focal length 20 cm. Draw a ray diagram to find the position and size of the image formed. Mark optical centre 'O' and principal focus 'F' on the diagram. Also find the approximate ratio of size of image to the size of object. [2] Question 27.

The values of current (I) flowing through a given resistor of resistance (R), for the corresponding values of potential difference (V) across the resistor are given below: [2]

V (volts)	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	4.0	5.0
I (amperes)	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.8	1.0

Plot a graph between current (I) and potential difference (V) and determine the resistance (R) of the resistor.