

Genetics, 6e (Brooker)

Chapter 1 Overview of Genetics

1) The basic unit of heredity is the _____.

- A) individual
- B) gene
- C) macromolecule
- D) trait
- E) none of the answers are correct

Answer: B

Section: 01.01

Topic: The Molecular Expression of Genes

Bloom's: 1. Remember

Learning Outcome: 01.01.01 Describe the biochemical composition of cells

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2) A variation of a gene is called a(n) _____.

- A) species
- B) morph
- C) genome
- D) allele
- E) proteome

Answer: D

Section: 01.02

Topic: The Relationship Between Genes and Traits

Bloom's: 2. Understand

Learning Outcome: 01.02.01 Outline how the expression of genes leads to an organism's traits.

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3) Which of the following acts to accelerate chemical reactions in a cell?

- A) Nucleic acids
- B) Lipids
- C) Carbohydrates
- D) Enzymes
- E) None of the answers are correct

Answer: D

Section: 01.01

Topic: The Molecular Expression of Genes

Bloom's: 2. Understand

Learning Outcome: 01.01.02 Explain how proteins are largely responsible for cell structure and function.

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- 4) The building blocks of DNA are the _____.
A) amino acids
B) carbohydrates
C) enzymes
D) nucleotides
E) lipids

Answer: D

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Topic: The Molecular Expression of Genes

Bloom's: 1. Remember

Learning Outcome: 01.01.03 Outline how DNA stores the information to make proteins

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- 5) If a carbohydrate is going to be broken down for energy, which of the following molecules would be directly involved in the breakdown?
A) Catabolic enzymes
B) Nucleotides
C) Anabolic enzymes
D) Lipids
E) Chromosomes

Answer: A

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- 6) RNA is formed by the process of _____.
A) transcription
B) translation
C) both transcription and translation
D) None of the answers are correct

Answer: A

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- 7) A characteristic that an organism displays is called _____.
A) a gene
B) a chromosome
C) DNA
D) gene expression
E) a trait

Answer: E

Section: 01.02

Topic: The Relationship Between Genes and Traits

Bloom's: 1. Remember

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- 8) If a geneticist is studying the prevalence of a trait in a species, they are at the _____ level of study.
A) population
B) organismal
C) cellular
D) molecular

Answer: A

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- 9) The study of the processes of transcription and translation is at the _____ level of biological organization.
A) population
B) organismal
C) cellular
D) molecular

Answer: D

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10) Alternate versions of a specific gene are called _____.

- A) nucleotides
- B) chromosomes
- C) alleles
- D) traits
- E) none of the answers are correct

Answer: C

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11) Genetic variation is ultimately based upon which of the following?

- A) Morphological differences
- B) Small variations in nucleotide sequence of the DNA
- C) Carbohydrate content of the cell
- D) Translation

Answer: B

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Topic: The Relationship Between Genes and Traits

Bloom's: 2. Understand

Learning Outcome: 01.02.02 Define genetic variation.

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12) A species that contains two copies of each chromosome is called _____.

- A) a genetic mutation
- B) a morph
- C) haploid
- D) diploid
- E) alleles

Answer: D

Section: 01.02

Topic: The Relationship Between Genes and Traits

Bloom's: 1. Remember

Learning Outcome: 01.02.04 Describe how genes are transmitted in sexually reproducing species.

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13) A cell that makes up the body structure of an organism and is diploid is _____.

- A) a gamete
- B) a somatic cell
- C) an allele
- D) rare
- E) a sperm cell

Answer: B

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14) In many organisms, one set of chromosomes comes from the maternal parent, while the other set comes from the paternal parent. Similar chromosomes in these sets are said to be _____.

- A) morphs
- B) alleles
- C) haploid
- D) homologs
- E) physiological traits

Answer: D

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15) In humans, gametes are different than other cells of the body in that they are _____.

- A) diploid
- B) haploid
- C) genetic mutations
- D) morphs
- E) none of the answers are correct

Answer: B

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- 16) Which of the following is correct regarding natural selection?
- A) It is based on competition for resources
 - B) Beneficial traits are passed on to the next generation
 - C) It enables a species to become better adapted to its environment
 - D) It may drastically change a species over time
 - E) All of the answers are correct

Answer: E

Section: 01.02

Topic: The Relationship Between Genes and Traits

Bloom's: 2. Understand

Learning Outcome: 01.02.05 Explain the process of evolution.

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- 17) _____ is the use of a gene sequence to synthesize a functional protein.
- A) Loss-of-function mutation
 - B) Gene expression
 - C) The human genome project
 - D) Proteomics
 - E) None of the answers are correct

Answer: B

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- 18) The differences in inherited traits among individuals in a population are called _____.
- A) species variation
 - B) genetic mutations
 - C) genetic variation
 - D) natural selection
 - E) none of the answers are correct

Answer: C

Section: 01.02

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Learning Outcome: 01.02.02 Define genetic variation.

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19) Three populations of an organism, each with drastically different external markings, but still members of the same species, would be called _____.

- A) homologs
- B) mutants
- C) communities
- D) alleles
- E) morphs

Answer: E

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Learning Outcome: 01.02.02 Define genetic variation.

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20) The changes in the genetic makeup of a population over time is called _____.

- A) homologous recombination
- B) model organisms studies
- C) genetic crosses
- D) biological evolution
- E) hypothesis testing

Answer: D

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Learning Outcome: 01.02.05 Explain the process of evolution.

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21) Change in a population over time is called biological evolution.

Answer: TRUE

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22) Gene expression involves the process of transcription and translation.

Answer: TRUE

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23) Sexual reproduction decreases the genetic variation of a species.

Answer: FALSE

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Learning Outcome: 01.02.04 Describe how genes are transmitted in sexually reproducing species.

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24) Which of the following studies the effects of loss-of-function mutations?

- A) Population genetics
- B) Transmission genetics
- C) Molecular genetics

Answer: C

Section: 01.03

Topic: Fields of Genetics

Bloom's: 2. Understand

Learning Outcome: 01.03.01 Compare and contrast the three major fields of genetics: transmission, molecular, and population genetics.

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25) Which of the following uses a genetic cross to determine patterns of inheritance?

- A) Population genetics
- B) Transmission genetics
- C) Molecular genetics

Answer: B

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Topic: Fields of Genetics

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Learning Outcome: 01.03.01 Compare and contrast the three major fields of genetics: transmission, molecular, and population genetics.

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26) Which of the following studies the relationship between genetic variation and the environment?

- A) Population genetics
- B) Transmission genetics
- C) Molecular genetics

Answer: A

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27) Which of the following began with the work of Gregor Mendel in the 19th century?

- A) Population genetics
- B) Transmission genetics
- C) Molecular genetics

Answer: B

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28) Which of the following studies how the forces of nature have influenced the spread of traits?

- A) Population genetics
- B) Transmission genetics
- C) Molecular genetics

Answer: A

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Learning Outcome: 01.03.01 Compare and contrast the three major fields of genetics: transmission, molecular, and population genetics.

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29) _____ influence the physical appearance of an organism.

- A) Morphological traits
- B) Physiological traits
- C) Behavioral traits

Answer: A

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30) DNA stores the information needed for the synthesis of cellular _____.

- A) proteins
- B) carbohydrates
- C) lipids

Answer: A

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Learning Outcome: 01.01.03 Outline how DNA stores the information to make proteins

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31) Both genes and the _____ influence the traits of an organism.

- A) genome
- B) environment
- C) population

Answer: B

Section: 01.02

Topic: The Relationship Between Genes and Traits

Bloom's: 2. Understand

Learning Outcome: 01.02.03 Discuss the relationship between genes and traits.

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32) The class of macromolecules that are primarily responsible for catabolic and anabolic activities in a cell are

- A) nucleic acids.
- B) proteins.
- C) lipids.
- D) carbohydrates.

Answer: B

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33) What is the difference between hypothesis testing and discovery-based research?

- A) Hypotheses can be validated or invalidated while discovery-based research relies more on collection and analysis of data without a hypothesis.
- B) Discovery-based science can be validated or invalidated while hypothesis based research relies more on collection and analysis of data.
- C) There is only one type of experimental approach, both terms describe the same approach.
- D) Hypothesis-based research results in believable science while discovery-based research results in unreliable conclusions.

Answer: A

Section: 01.04

Topic: The Science of Genetics

Bloom's: 2. Understand

Learning Outcome: 01.04.01 Discuss how genetics is an experimental science.

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34) A scientist observes two new birds that appear to be morphologically similar. In order to explain these observations, which strategy should the scientist employ as a first step?

- A) Propose a hypothesis
- B) Relate structure and function
- C) Analyze data
- D) Use statistics

Answer: A

Section: 01.04

Topic: The Science of Genetics

Bloom's: 3. Apply

Learning Outcome: 01.04.02 Outline different strategies for solving problems in genetics.

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