

1. B [1]
2. A [1]
3. A [1]
4. A [1]
5. D [1]
6. B [1]
7. A [1]
8. A [1]
9. C [1]
10. (a) anaphase
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(b) growth (through increasing cell number);
embryonic development;
tissue production/repair;
(asexual) reproduction; 2 max

(c) uncontrolled mitosis/cell division 1

(d) pair of homologous chromosomes moves in same direction/does not separate during anaphase I / chromatids move in same direction/do not separate during anaphase II;
leaving a cell with an (some) extra chromosome(s)/missing chromosome(s);
an example; (*e.g. Down syndrome / trisomy 21*); 2 max

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11. A

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12. (a) (i) autosomes because the sex chromosomes/X and Y chromosomes would be different lengths/sizes / would have different genes 1

(ii) homologous because they have paired/formed a bivalent / tetrad / there is crossing over between the chromosomes / they have the same genes (in the same sequence) / they are the same size and shape 1

(b) first prophase/first metaphase/prophase I/metaphase I 1

(c)

Allow [1] only if the C allele is not on the short arm or the A and B alleles are not on the long arm. Use a maximum of two ticks in your marking. 2

(d) (gene) linkage / autosomal linkage 1

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13. (a) *allele:*
one specific form of a gene (occupying the same gene locus
as other alleles of the same gene) 1

(b) $I^B I^B$ and $I^B i$ 1

(c) *Award [1] for every two correct answers.*
I. bacterial cell/bacterium/prokaryote;
II. plasmid;
III. inserted/engineered/cloned/desired DNA/DNA from donor cell;
IV. genetically modified/transformed/GM/recombinant organism/
cell/bacterium/host cell containing recombinant plasmid; 2 max

(d) restriction enzymes / endonucleases;
ligases;
reverse transcriptase;
Award [1] for two correct responses. 1 max

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14. (a) three copies/extra copy/trisomy of chromosome/pair 21 1

Do not accept chromatid.

(b) occurs due to non-disjunction;
(homologous) chromosome/pairs/sister chromatids fail to separate;
some gametes have an extra chromosome; 2 max

(c) male as sex chromosomes different size/both X and Y chromosomes present 1
To award [1], reason must be given.

(d) gene for colour blindness is carried on X chromosome (sex linkage);
males have only one X chromosome so the allele is always expressed /
absent from Y chromosome;
the allele of the gene for colour blindness is recessive;
females must be homozygous to be colour-blind / heterozygous
females are carriers but not colour-blind; 2 max

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15. D

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16. (a) drugs used to down-regulate the menstrual cycle;
FSH injected to stimulate many follicles to develop;
HCG injected to cause the follicles to mature;
eggs are harvested/extracted (from the follicles/ovaries);
semen sample produced/collected;
semen is processed to concentrate it / healthy sperm selected
(swim-up test given);
ICSI/IntraCytoplasmic Sperm Injection where sperm is directly
injected into egg when low numbers of motility is a factor;
semen mixed with eggs in a dish/outside the body to allow fertilization;
incubated / kept at 37°C / allows embryos to develop (sufficiently
for implantation);
dish examined to choose healthiest embryo;
embryos placed in uterus/oviduct (using a catheter/long plastic tube);
one/two/three/up to four (in some countries) embryos implanted;
pregnancy test/scan used to see if procedure has been successful;
(used in cases of) blocked oviduct / low sperm count / need for genetic
screening /infertility / cannot become pregnant / need for donor embryo; 9 max
*Accept other reasonable situations. Full marks may be awarded
only if an example is included in the answer.*

(b) females are carriers when they have dominant and recessive alleles together;
 recessive allele in carrier does not affect phenotype as dominant allele also present;
 gene is located on the X chromosome / gene is not located on Y chromosome;
 females are XX so can have dominant and recessive alleles/two alleles of gene;
 males are XY so only have dominant or recessive allele/one allele of gene;
 hemophilia/red-green colour blindness/other example of a sex-linked characteristic;

4 max

(c) (point) mutation of gene for hemoglobin;
 CTC to CAC / GAG to GTG / substitution of T/thymine with A/adenine;
 mRNA copy of gene is GUG instead of GAG;
 valine instead of glutamic acid;
 (in homozygotes) red blood cells become sickle-shaped;
 (in homozygotes) less oxygen carried;
 (in homozygotes) red blood cells do not survive long / burst / block blood vessels/capillaries / circulatory problems may cause pain/organ failure/example of symptom;
 heterozygotes have malaria resistance;

5 max

(Plus up to [2] for quality)

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17. (a) Down syndrome is caused by non-disjunction;
 occurs during meiosis;
 chromosome pairs fail to separate in meiosis I / chromatids in meiosis II / anaphase II;
 some gametes have an extra chromosome;
 can lead to zygotes/individuals with an extra chromosome / individual has 47 chromosomes;
 in Down syndrome this would be trisomy 21/extra chromosome 21;
 increased probability with increased age of mother/ages of parents;

5 max

(b) skin colour is an example of polygenic inheritance;
 many/more than two genes contribute to a person's skin colour;
 due to the amount of melanin in the skin;
 combination of alleles determines the phenotype;
 allows for range of skin colours / continuous variation of skin colour;
 phenotypes do not follow simple Mendelian ratios of dominance and recessiveness;
 the environment also affects gene expression of skin colour / sunlight/UV light stimulate melanin production;
 the more recessive alleles there are, the lighter the skin colour; (*vice versa*)

5 max

- (c) caused by gene mutation;
(sickle-cell anemia) due to a base substitution (mutation);
changes the code on the DNA;
which leads to a change in transcription / change in mRNA;

which (in turn) leads to a change in translation / change in
polypeptide chain/protein;
(the tRNA) adds the wrong amino acid to the polypeptide chain;
glutamic acid replaced by valine;
produces abnormal hemoglobin;
causing abnormal red blood cell/erythrocyte shape / sickle shape;
which lowers the ability to transport oxygen;
sickle-cell allele is codominant;

homozygote/Hb^S Hb^S have sickle cell anemia/is lethal / heterozygote/

Hb^S Hb^A has the sickle trait/is carrier (and is more resistant to malaria);

8 max

(Plus up to **[2]** for quality)

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