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- 1) Define dominant and recessive trait. 1
- 2) Expand DNA? State the importance of DNA in inheritance. 1
- 3) Name an animal in which individuals can change sex. What does this indicate? 1
- 4) How is the chromosome number restored in zygote? 1
- 5) Give one difference between artificial selection and natural selection. 1
- 6) Give the difference between monohybrid and dihybrid ratio. 2
- 7) Why are the small numbers of surviving tigers a cause of worry from the points of view of genetics? 2
- 8) If a trait A exist in 10% of a population of an asexually reproducing species and a trait B exists in 60% of the same population, which trait is likely to have arisen earlier? 2
- 9) Evolution should not be equated with progress. Why? 2
- 10) Why are human beings who look so different from each other in terms of size, colour and looks said to belong to the same species? 2
- 11) What is evolution and brief the evolutionary significance of the fossil archaeopteryx? State three characteristic to shows that the birds are very closely related to dinosaurs. 3
- 12) Explain the mechanism of sex determination in human. 3
- 13) Variation is useful for the survival of species overtime but the variants have unequal chances of survival. Explain the statement. 3
- 14) A study found that children with light coloured eye are likely to have parents with light-coloured eyes. On this basis, can we say anything about whether the light eye colour trait is dominant or recessive? Why or why not? 3
- 15) "Two areas of study namely 'evolution' and 'classification' are interlinked". Justify this statement. 3
- 16) With the help of an example justify the following statement:"A trait may be inherited, but may not be expressed". 3
- 17) State the three laws of inheritance. In one of his experiments with pea plants Mendel observed that when a pure tall pea plant is crossed with a pure dwarf pea plant, in the first generation, F1 only tall plants appear. 3
  - (a) What happens to the traits of the dwarf plants in this case?
  - (b) When the F1 generation plants were self-fertilised, he observed that in the plants of second generation, F2 both tall plants and dwarf plants were present. Why it happened? Explain briefly.
- 18) List three factors that provide evidences in favour of evolution in organisms and state the role of each in brief. 3
- 19) What is meant by speciation? List four factors that could lead to speciation. Which of these cannot be a major factor in the speciation of a self-pollinating plant species? Give reason to justify your answer. Explain in brief the role of natural selection and genetic drift in this process. 5
- 20) What are fossils? How are they formed? List two methods of determining the age of fossils. Explain in brief the importance of fossils in deciding the evolutionary relationships. 5
- 21) (a) Why did Mendel choose garden pea for his experiments? Write two reasons. 5
  - (b) List two contrasting visible characters of garden pea Mendel used for his experiment.
  - (c) Explain in brief how Mendel interpreted his results to show that the traits may be dominant or recessive.

