

CLASS XI BIO CH 11

MCQ Set 4: Photosynthesis in Higher Plants

1. Who discovered that a mint plant restores the air in a bell jar?
 - a) Jan Ingenhousz
 - b) Joseph Priestley
 - c) Julius von Sachs
 - d) Melvin Calvin
2. Ingenhousz showed that the bubbles formed around green parts of aquatic plants in sunlight are:
 - a) Carbon dioxide
 - b) Oxygen
 - c) Nitrogen
 - d) Hydrogen
3. Julius von Sachs found that glucose is usually stored as:
 - a) Sucrose
 - b) Starch
 - c) Cellulose
 - d) Glycogen
4. Engelmann used aerobic bacteria to detect the sites of:
 - a) CO₂ fixation
 - b) O₂ evolution
 - c) Glucose synthesis
 - d) Starch storage
5. The equation $\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \xrightarrow{\text{Light}} [\text{CH}_2\text{O}] + \text{O}_2$ represents:
 - a) The correct overall process
 - b) The empirical equation
 - c) The C₄ pathway
 - d) Photorespiration
6. Van Niel's equation for photosynthesis is $2\text{H}_2\text{A} + \text{CO}_2 \xrightarrow{\text{Light}} 2\text{A} + \text{CH}_2\text{O} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$, In green plants, H₂A is:
 - a) H₂S
 - b) H₂O
 - c) CH₄
 - d) NH₃
7. The O₂ released during photosynthesis comes from H₂O. This was proved using:
 - a) Prism experiments
 - b) Radioisotopic techniques
 - c) KOH experiments
 - d) Bacterial studies
8. Photosynthesis occurs in all green parts of the plant, but mainly in the:
 - a) Roots

- b) Leaves
- c) Stem
- d) Flowers

9. Within the chloroplast, the light reactions occur in the:

- a) Stroma
- b) Membrane system
- c) Starch granule
- d) Lipid droplet

10. The light-harvesting complexes are found in:

- a) PS I only
- b) PS II only
- c) Both PS I and PS II
- d) Neither PS I nor PS II

11. Which pigment is yellow to yellow-orange in the chromatogram?

- a) Chlorophyll a
- b) Chlorophyll b
- c) Xanthophylls
- d) Carotenoids

12. The absorption spectrum of chlorophyll a shows maximum absorption in the:

- a) Green region
- b) Blue and red regions
- c) Yellow region
- d) Orange region

13. The action spectrum of photosynthesis is determined by the rate of photosynthesis at different:

- a) Temperatures
- b) Light intensities
- c) Wavelengths
- d) CO₂ concentrations

14. Accessory pigments transfer the absorbed energy to:

- a) Chlorophyll a
- b) Chlorophyll b
- c) Carotenoids
- d) Xanthophylls

15. The reaction centre in a photosystem consists of:

- a) Hundreds of pigment molecules
- b) A single chlorophyll a molecule
- c) Proteins only
- d) Lipids only

16. The reaction centre in PS I is called P700 because it absorbs light at:

- a) 680 nm
- b) 700 nm
- c) 650 nm
- d) 750 nm

17. The reaction centre in PS II is called P680 because it absorbs light at:

- a) 680 nm
- b) 700 nm
- c) 650 nm
- d) 750 nm

18. The electron transport chain between PS II and PS I consists of:

- a) Cytochromes
- b) RuBisCO
- c) ATP synthase
- d) PEPcase

19. The Z scheme describes the flow of:

- a) Protons
- b) Electrons
- c) Water
- d) Carbon dioxide

20. The splitting of water produces protons, oxygen, and:

- a) Electrons
- b) Carbon dioxide
- c) Glucose
- d) ATP

21. The products of the light reaction that are used in the Calvin cycle are:

- a) ATP and NADPH
- b) ATP and O₂
- c) NADPH and O₂
- d) CO₂ and H₂O

22. Photophosphorylation is the synthesis of ATP in the presence of:

- a) Light
- b) CO₂
- c) O₂
- d) Water

23. Non-cyclic photophosphorylation involves both photosystems and produces:

- a) ATP only
- b) NADPH only
- c) Both ATP and NADPH
- d) Sugars

24. Cyclic photophosphorylation occurs when only PS I is active and produces:

- a) ATP only
- b) NADPH only
- c) Both ATP and NADPH
- d) Sugars

25. The chemiosmotic hypothesis explains the synthesis of:

- a) ATP
- b) NADPH

- c) Glucose
- d) O₂

26. The proton gradient across the thylakoid membrane is broken down by protons moving through:

- a) ATP synthase
- b) Cytochrome
- c) RuBisCO
- d) PEPcase

27. The dark reaction is so called because it:

- a) Occurs only in the dark
- b) Does not directly require light
- c) Is inhibited by light
- d) Occurs at night

28. The first product of CO₂ fixation in the Calvin cycle is:

- a) 3-phosphoglyceric acid
- b) Oxaloacetic acid
- c) Ribulose biphosphate
- d) Phosphoenol pyruvate

29. The primary CO₂ acceptor in the Calvin cycle is:

- a) PEP
- b) RuBP
- c) PGA
- d) OAA

30. The enzyme that catalyzes the carboxylation of RuBP is:

- a) PEPcase
- b) RuBisCO
- c) ATP synthase
- d) Cytochrome

31. For each CO₂ molecule fixed in the Calvin cycle, the number of ATP and NADPH required is:

- a) 2 ATP and 2 NADPH
- b) 3 ATP and 2 NADPH
- c) 2 ATP and 3 NADPH
- d) 3 ATP and 3 NADPH

32. To make one molecule of glucose, the Calvin cycle must turn:

- a) 2 times
- b) 6 times
- c) 8 times
- d) 12 times

33. C₄ plants are special because they:

- a) Have Kranz anatomy
- b) Tolerate higher temperatures
- c) Lack photorespiration
- d) All of the above

34. The primary CO_2 acceptor in C_4 plants is:

- a) RuBP
- b) PEP
- c) PGA
- d) OAA

35. The enzyme that fixes CO_2 in the mesophyll cells of C_4 plants is:

- a) RuBisCO
- b) PEPcase
- c) ATP synthase
- d) Cytochrome

36. In C_4 plants, the Calvin cycle occurs in the:

- a) Mesophyll cells
- b) Bundle sheath cells
- c) Epidermal cells
- d) Guard cells

37. Photorespiration occurs in:

- a) C_3 plants
- b) C_4 plants
- c) Both C_3 and C_4 plants
- d) Neither

38. RuBisCO can act as both a carboxylase and an oxygenase because it can bind to:

- a) CO_2 and O_2
- b) CO_2 and N_2
- c) O_2 and H_2O
- d) CO_2 and H_2O

39. Blackman's Law of Limiting Factors states that the rate of a process is determined by the factor that is:

- a) At its maximum value
- b) Nearest to its minimal value
- c) Always light
- d) Always temperature

40. The most common limiting factor for photosynthesis is:

- a) Light
- b) Temperature
- c) CO_2 concentration
- d) Water

41. Light saturation for photosynthesis occurs at what percentage of full sunlight?

- a) 5%
- b) 10%
- c) 50%
- d) 100%

42. C_4 plants show saturation at a CO_2 concentration of about:

- a) $180 \mu\text{L}^{-1}$
- b) $360 \mu\text{L}^{-1}$

- c) $450 \mu\text{L}^{-1}$
- d) $500 \mu\text{L}^{-1}$

43. C₄ plants have a higher temperature optimum than C₃ plants because they:

- a) Have Kranz anatomy
- b) Lack photorespiration
- c) Use PEPcase
- d) All of the above

44. Water stress affects photosynthesis by:

- a) Causing stomatal closure
- b) Directly inhibiting the light reactions
- c) Denaturing enzymes
- d) Breaking down chlorophyll

45. The first product of CO₂ fixation in C₄ plants is:

- a) PGA
- b) OAA
- c) RuBP
- d) PEP

46. The number of carbon atoms in the primary CO₂ acceptor in C₃ plants is:

- a) 3
- b) 4
- c) 5
- d) 6

47. The number of carbon atoms in the primary CO₂ fixation product in C₄ plants is:

- a) 3
- b) 4
- c) 5
- d) 6

48. Photorespiration results in the:

- a) Synthesis of sugars
- b) Release of CO₂
- c) Release of O₂
- d) Synthesis of ATP

49. The most abundant enzyme in the world is:

- a) PEPcase
- b) ATP synthase
- c) RuBisCO
- d) Cytochrome

50. The Hatch and Slack Pathway is associated with:

- a) C₃ plants
 - b) C₄ plants
 - c) Photorespiration
 - d) Cyclic photophosphorylation
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Answer Key for Set 4

1. b) Joseph Priestley
2. b) Oxygen
3. b) Starch
4. b) O₂ evolution
5. b) The empirical equation
6. b) H₂O
7. b) Radioisotopic techniques
8. b) Leaves
9. b) Membrane system
10. c) Both PS I and PS II
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