

The Fundamental Unit of Life

Assertion & Reason Type Questions

Directions : Each of the following questions consists of two statements, one is **Assertion (A)** and the other is **Reason (R)**. Select the correct answer to these questions from the codes (a), (b), (c) and (d) as given below.

- a. Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).
- b. Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).
- c. Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false.
- d. Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R) is true.

Q1. Assertion (A): Cell is called the structural and functional unit of life.

Reason (R): It performs functions like respiration, obtaining nutrition, clearing of waste material, or forming new proteins.

Answer : (a) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

Q2. Assertion (A): Plasma membrane allows the entry or exit of selected materials in and out from the cell.

Reason (R): Plasma membrane is a living membrane and is selectively permeable in nature.

Answer : (a) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

Q3. Assertion (A): A cell swells up when present in a hypotonic solution.

Reason (R): More water molecules enter the cell than they leave.

Answer : (a) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).



Q4. Assertion (A): Chromosomes are visible under a microscope when the cell is about to divide.

Reason (R): In a cell which is not dividing, DNA is present as a part of chromatin material.

Answer : (b) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

Q5. Assertion (A): The cells that have membrane bound organelles are called eukaryotic.

Reason (R): The cells that lack membrane bound organelles are called prokaryotic.

Answer : (b) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

Q6. Assertion (A): The endoplasmic reticulum which lacks ribosomes is called Smooth Endoplasmic Reticulum (SER).

Reason (R): SER is mainly involved in protein synthesis.

Answer : (c) Reason (R) is false because SER helps in the manufacture of fat molecules or lipids.

Q7. Assertion (A): Digestive enzymes present in lysosome are very powerful and can breakdown all types of organic materials.

Reason (R): These enzymes are made by RER.

Answer : (b) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

Q8. Assertion (A): Mitochondria is known as the powerhouse of the cell.

Reason (R): Mitochondria synthesises energy in the form of ATP during respiration which is vital for various life activities.

Answer : (a) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

Q9. Assertion (A): Leucoplasts contain various yellow or orange pigments.

Reason (R): Leucoplasts store fats, starch and proteins.



Answer : (d) Assertion (A) is false because leucoplasts are white or colourless cell organelle found in plant cells.

Q10. Assertion (A): Plant cells have very large vacuoles.

Reason (R): In plants cells, vacuoles are full of cell sap.

Answer : (a) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

Q11. Assertion (A): Amoeba acquires its food through endocytosis.

Reason (R): Amoeba captures the food within a sac-like structure called the food vacuole inside which digestion of food takes place.

Answer : (b) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

