# CHAPTER 17

# Breathing and Exchange of Gases

## **MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS**

- 1. Respiration in insects is called direct because
  - a. The tissues exchange  $O_2/CO_2$  directly with the air in the tubes
  - b. The tissues exchange  $\mathrm{O_2}/\mathrm{CO_2}$  directly with coelomic fluid
  - c. The tissues exchange  ${\rm O_2/~CO_2}$  directly with the air outside through body surface
  - d. Tracheal tubes exchange  $\rm O_2/\rm CO_2$  directly with the haemocoel which then exchange with tissues
- 2. Regarding the functions of our respiratory system, mark the wrong entry.
  - a. Humidifies the air
  - b. Warms up the air
  - c. Diffusion of gases
  - d. Cleans up the air
- 3. A person suffers punctures in his chest cavity in an accident, without any damage to the lungs its effect could be
  - a. Reduced breathing rate
  - b. Rapid increase in breathing rate
  - c. No change in respiration
  - d. Cessation of breathing
- 4. It is known that exposure to carbon monoxide is harmful to animals because
  - a. It reduces CO<sub>2</sub> transport
  - b. It reduces O<sub>2</sub> transport
  - c. It increases CO<sub>2</sub> transport
  - d. It destroys hemoglobin







- 5. Mark the true statement among the following with reference to normal breathing
  - a. Inspiration is a passive process where as expiration is active
  - b. Inspiration is a active process where as expiration is passive
  - c. Inspiration and expiration are active processes
  - d. Inspiration and expiration are passive processes
- 6. A person breathes in some volume of air by forced inspiration after having a forced expiration. This quantity of air taken in is
  - a. Total lung capacity
  - b. Tidal volume
  - c. Vital capacity
  - d. Inspiratory capacity
- 7. Mark the incorrect statement in context to O2 binding to Hb
  - a. Higher pH
  - b. Lower temperature
  - c. Lower pCO<sub>2</sub>
  - d. Higher PO<sub>2</sub>
- 8. Mark the correct pair of muscles involved in the normal breathing in humans
  - a. External and internal intercostal muscles
  - b. Diaphragm and abdominal muscles
  - c. Diaphragm and external intercostal muscles
  - d. Diaphragm and internal intercostal muscles
- 9. Incidence of Emphysema a respiratory disorder is high in cigarette smokers. In such cases
  - a. The bronchioles are found damaged
  - b. The alveolar walls are found damaged
  - c. The plasma membrane is found damaged
  - d. The respiratory muscles are found damaged
- 10. Respiratory process is regulated by certain specialized centres in the brain. One of the following listed centres can reduce the inspiratory duration upon stimulation
  - a. Medullary inspiratory centre
  - b. Pneumotaxic centre
  - c. Apneustic centre
  - d. Chemosensitive centre





- 11. CO<sub>2</sub> dissociates from carbamino haemoglobin when
  - a. pCO<sub>2</sub> is high & pO<sub>2</sub> is low
  - b. pO<sub>2</sub> is high and pCO<sub>2</sub> is low
  - c. pCO<sub>2</sub> and pO<sub>2</sub> are equal
  - d. None of the above
- 12. In breathing movements, air volume can be estimated by
  - a. Stethoscope
  - b. Hygrometer
  - c. Sphignomanometer
  - d. Spirometer
- 13. Identify the correct and incorrect match about respiratory volume and capacities and mark the correct answer
  - i. Inspiratory capacity (IC) = Tidal Volume + Residual Volume
  - ii. Vital Capacity (VC) = Tidal Volume (TV) + Inspiratory Reserve Volume (IRV) + Expiratory Reserve Volume (ERV).
  - iii. Residual Volume (RV) = Vital Capacity (VC) Inspiratory Reserve Volume (IRV)
  - iv. Tidal Volume (TV) = Inspiratory Capacity (IC) Inspiratory Reserve Volume (IRV)

## Options:

- a. (i) Incorrect, (ii) Incorrect, (iii) Incorrect, (iv) Correct
- b. (i) Incorrect, (ii) Correct, (iii) Incorrect, (iv) Correct
- c. (i) Correct, (ii) Correct, (iii) Incorrect, (iv) Correct
- d. (i) Correct, (ii) Incorrect, (iii) Correct, (iv) Incorrect
- 14. The oxygen haemoglobin dissociation curve will show a right shift in case of
  - a. High pCO<sub>2</sub>
  - b. High pO<sub>2</sub>
  - c. Low pCO<sub>2</sub>
  - d. Less H+ concentration
- 15. Match the following and mark the correct options

Animal Respiratory Organ

- A. Earthworm i. Moist cuticle
- B. Aquatic Arthropods ii. Gills
- C. Fishes iii. Lungs
- D. Birds/Reptiles iv. Trachea



Options:

- a. A-ii, B-i, C-iv, D-iii
- b. A-i, B-iv, C-ii, D-iii
- c. A-i, B-iii, C-ii, D-iv
- d. A-i, B-ii, C-i.v, D-iii

#### **VERY SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS**

- 1. Define the following terms?
  - a. Tidal volume
  - b. Residual volume
  - c. Asthma
- 2. A fluid filled double membranous layer surrounds the lungs. Name it and mention its important function.
- 3. Name the primary site of exchange of gases in our body?
- 4. Cigarette smoking causes emphysema. Give reason.
- 5. What is the amount of  $O_2$  supplied to tissues through every 100 ml. of oxygenated blood under normal physiological conditions?
- 6. A major percentage (97%) of  $O_2$  is transported by RBCs in the blood. How does the remaining percentage (3%) of  $O_2$  transported?
- 7. Arrange the following terms based on their volumes in an ascending order
  - a. Tidal Volume (TV)
  - b. Residual Volume (RV)
  - c. Inspiratory Reserve Volume (IRV)
  - d. Expiratory Capacity (EC)
- 8. Complete the missing terms
  - a. Inspiratory Capacity (IC) = \_\_\_\_ +IRV
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ = TV + ERV
  - c. Functional Residual Capacity (FRC) = ERV + \_\_\_\_
- 9. Name the organs of respiration in the following organisms:
  - a. Flatworm \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Birds -
  - c. Frog-
  - d. Cockroach -





10. Name the important parts involved in creating a pressure gradient between lungs and the atmosphere during normal respiration.

## SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS

- 1. State the different modes of CO<sub>2</sub> transport in blood.
- 2. Compared to  $O_2$ , diffusion rate of  $CO_2$  through the diffusion membrane per unit difference in partial pressure is much higher. Explain.
- 3. For completion of respiration process, write the given steps in sequential manner
  - a. Diffusion of gases (O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub>) across alveolar membrane.
  - b. Transport of gases by blood.
  - c. Utilisation of  $O_2$  by the cells for catabolic reactions and resultant release of  $CO_2$ .
  - d. Pulmonary ventilation by which atmospheric air is drawn in and CO<sub>2</sub> rich alveolar air is released out.
  - e. Diffusion of O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> between blood and tissues.
- 4. Differentiate between
  - a. Inspiratory and expiratory reserve volume
  - b. Vital capacity and total lung capacity
  - c. Emphysema and occupational respiratory disorder

#### LONG ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS

- 1. Explain the transport of  $O_2$  and  $CO_2$  between alveoli and tissue with diagram.
- 2. Explain the mechanism of breathing with neat labelled sketches.
- 3. Explain the role of neural system in regulation of respiration.

