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Time: 3 Hours Weightage: 30

Part A (Short Answer Questions)

Answer any **eight** questions.

Weight **1** each.

- 1. What are hammerhead ribozymes? Give examples.
- 2. How are chloroplast genome organized?
- 3. Why does DNA polymerase only work in one direction?
- 4. Is cistron and gene the same? Explain.
- 5. Explain the role of TFIIB.
- 6. The genetic code is degerate. What does it mean?
- 7. What is initiator tRNA?
- 8. What is Kozak sequence?
- 9. More sorting signals are required in eukaryotic proteins. Why?
- 10. What is histone code?

(8×1=8 weightage)

Part B (Short Essay/Problems)

Answer any **six** questions.

Weight **2** each.

- 11. Describe the major features of A-DNA
- 12. 'There is an excess DNA than what is expected to code for proteins in most of the organisms.' Explain with suitable examples.
- 13. Explain the different viral RNA replication strategies.



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- 14. Chemically and enzymatically, transcription is similar to DNA replication, but have important differences. Explain those differences.
- 15. Tight coupling of transcription and translation in prokaryotes makes control by attenuation possible. Substantiate.
- 16. Describe the different types of transposons found in bacteria.
- 17. The histone code is a hypothesis that the transcription of genetic information encoded in DNA is in part regulated by chemical modifications to histone proteins. Explain.
- 18. Describe the mechanism of mismatch repair.

(6×2=12 weightage)

Part C (Essay Type Questions)

Answer any **two** questions.

Weight **5** each.

- 19. Write an essay on the various noncoding RNAs found in the biological world.
- 20. In what all ways, eukaryotic DNA replication is different from prokaryotic DNA replication?
- 21. Describe the different processing events that a eukaryotic pre-mRNA undergoes.
- 22. Describe in detail, how is the decision made between lytic and lysogenic cycles for a λ phage infecting a bacterium.

(2×5=10 weightage)

