UNIT I

1. Which biomolecule is the primary source of energy for most cells?

- a) Protein
- b) Carbohydrate
- c) Lipid
- d) Nucleic Acid

2. DNA and RNA are classified as:

- a) Carbohydrates
- b) Lipids
- c) Nucleic Acids
- d) Proteins

3. The building blocks of proteins are:

- a) Monosaccharides
- b) Fatty Acids
- c) Amino Acids
- d) Nucleotides

4. Which type of carbohydrate is used for structural support in plants?

- a) Glucose
- b) Fructose
- c) Starch
- d) Cellulose

5. Phospholipids are a type of lipid found in:

- a) Cell membranes
- b) Energy storage
- c) Insulation
- d) All of the above

6. The function of mRNA in protein synthesis is:

- a) Store genetic information
- b) Carry amino acids
- c) Copy genetic information
- d) Provide instructions for protein assembly

7. The primary structure of a protein refers to:

- a) The folding of the polypeptide chain
- b) The sequence of amino acids
- c) The 3D shape of the protein
- d) The interaction with other molecules

8. Which amino acid has the simplest side chain?

- a) Glycine
- b) Tyrosine
- c) Arginine
- d) Tryptophan

9. Enzymes are biological catalysts made primarily of:

a) Carbohydrates

- b) Lipids
- c) Proteins
- d) Nucleic Acids

10. The complementary pairing between adenine (A) and uracil (U) occurs in:

- a) DNA-DNA bonding
- b) DNA-RNA bonding
- c) RNA-RNA bonding
- d) All of the above

11. Which term refers to the usable energy available in a system for cellular processes?

- a) Enthalpy (ΔH)
- b) Entropy (Δ S)
- c) Gibbs Free Energy (ΔG)
- d) Redox Potential (E°)

12. A reaction with a negative ΔG is considered:

- a) Endergonic and requires energy input
- b) Endergonic and releases energy
- c) Exergonic and requires energy input
- d) Exergonic and releases energy

13. Which equation relates free energy change (ΔG) to enthalpy change (ΔH) and entropy change (ΔS) at constant temperature?

a) $\Delta G = \Delta H - T \Delta S$

- b) $\Delta G = \Delta H + T \Delta S$
- c) $\Delta S = \Delta G / \Delta H$
- d) $\Delta H = \Delta G \times T \Delta S$

14. Entropy (Δ S) is a measure of:

- a) Heat absorbed or released
- b) Disorder or randomness in a system
- c) Strength of chemical bonds
- d) The rate of a reaction

15. In cellular respiration, the electron transport chain is an example of:

- a) An endergonic reaction requiring ATP input
- b) An endergonic reaction releasing energy
- c) An exergonic reaction requiring ATP input
- d) An exergonic reaction releasing energy through a series of redox reactions

16. A higher positive redox potential (E°) indicates:

- a) A stronger tendency to lose electrons (reducing agent)
- b) A weaker tendency to lose electrons (reducing agent)
- c) A stronger tendency to gain electrons (oxidizing agent)
- d) A weaker tendency to gain electrons (oxidizing agent)

17. Standard hydrogen electrode (SHE) has a defined redox potential of:

- a) 0 V
- b) +1.0 V
- c) -0.1 V

d) It varies depending on the reaction

18. The movement of electrons in redox reactions is directly coupled to:

- a) ATP synthesis
- b) Protein synthesis
- c) DNA replication
- d) All of the above (depending on the cellular process)

19. Which molecule readily accepts electrons and protons in the electron transport chain?

- a) Oxygen (O2)
- b) Carbon dioxide (CO2)
- c) Glucose (C6H12O6)
- d) Water (H2O)

20. Coupling exergonic reactions to endergonic reactions in a cell allows for:

- a) Increased entropy
- b) Violation of the second law of thermodynamics
- c) Overall energy transfer and cellular work
- d) Spontaneous conversion of all energy into usable forms

21. Energy-rich compounds are characterized by the presence of:

- a) Strong covalent bonds
- b) Weak phosphodiester bonds
- c) High-energy phosphate bonds
- d) Peptide linkages

22. Which of the following is NOT a common classification of high-energy compounds?

- a) Pyrophosphates
- b) Acyl phosphates
- c) Carbohydrates
- d) Guanido phosphates

23. The biological significance of ATP lies in its ability to:

- a) Store genetic information
- b) Provide energy for cellular processes
- c) Transport molecules across membranes
- d) Act as a structural component of cells

24. Cyclic AMP (cAMP) is derived from:

- a) Glucose
- b) ATP
- c) Amino acids
- d) Nucleic acids

25. The primary function of cAMP in cells is:

- a) Energy storage
- b) Cellular signaling
- c) Enzyme activation
- d) All of the above (depending on the cellular context)

26. The hydrolysis of ATP releases approximately how much free energy?

a) -2 kcal/mol

- b) -7.3 kcal/mol
- c) -14.6 kcal/mol
- d) -20 kcal/mol

27. Compared to ATP, cAMP has:

- a) Higher energy content
- b) Lower energy content
- c) Identical energy content
- d) No energy-storing ability

28. The breakdown of glucose through cellular respiration ultimately leads to the production of:

- a) Only ATP
- b) Only cAMP
- c) Both ATP and cAMP
- d) Neither ATP nor cAMP directly

29. Which of the following statements about ATP is INCORRECT?

- a) It is the "universal currency" of cellular energy transfer.
- b) It can be recycled through cellular respiration.
- c) Its hydrolysis is an endergonic reaction.
- d) It provides energy for a variety of cellular processes.

30. Mutations in enzymes involved in cAMP signaling can lead to:

- a) Increased ATP production
- b) Disrupted cellular communication
- c) Enhanced protein synthesis

d) None of the above