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- **1.** A trace elements is an element which
  - (a) Is a radioactive and can be traced by Geiger counter
  - (b) Draws other element out of protoplasm
  - (c) Is required in very minute amounts
  - (d) Was one of the first to be discovered in protoplasm
- 2. Plants can be grown in (Tick the incorrect option)
  - (a) Soil with essential nutrients.
  - (b) Water with essential nutrients.
  - (c) Either water or soil with essential nutrients.
  - (d) Water or soil with out essential nutrients.
- 3. With reference to absorption of minerals, the term 'outer space' represents \_\_\_\_\_ while 'inner space' represents \_\_\_\_\_
  - (a) Cytoplasmand vacuole; intercellular space and cell wall
  - (b) Intercellular space; vacuole
  - (c) Intercellular space and cell wall; cytoplasm and vacuole
  - (d) Cytoplasm; vacuole
- 4. Which of the following statements about mineral absorption in plants is correct?
  - (a) In the initial phase rapid uptake of ions into the outer space of cells the apoplast, is a passive process.
  - (b) In the final phase, ions are taken in slowly into the inner space the symplast of cells, and is an active process.
  - (c) Passive movement of ions into the apoplast occurs through ion channels, trans membrane proteins which act as selective pores.
  - (d) All of these.
- 5. More than \_\_\_\_\_ elements of the \_\_\_\_\_ discovered so far are found in different plants (a) 60, 105 (b) 105, 60 (c) 30, 60 (d) 4, 105
- 6. Which of the following statements best characterizes micronutrients?
  - (a) They include elements such as C, H, O
  - (b) The occur in such small amounts that they are not necessary for life
  - (c) They are essential elements required in very small amounts
  - (d) They are needed by all organisms in the same quantity
- Partial mineral element is –
  (a) N
  (b) P
  (c) K
  (d) Fe
- 8. Deficiency of which mineral causes deficiency of N (a) Mo (b) K (c) Mn (d) S
- 9. Micronutrients are needed in very small amounts because -
  - (a) Most of them are mobile in the plants
  - (b) The mainly function as cofactors of enzyme
  - (c) They play minor role in plant health
  - (d) Only meristems need these nutrients
- 10. A mineral deficiency is likely to affect older leaves more than younger leaves if the -
  - (a) Mineral is a micronutrient
  - (b) Deficiency persists for a long time
  - (c) Mineral is very mobile within the plant
  - (d) Older leaves are in direct contact of sunlight
- 11. It is necessary to study all the symptoms of the plant to identify the deficiency of an element because of
  - (a) The deficiency of an element may cause multiple symptoms
  - (b) The same symptoms may be caused by the deficiency of more than element

(c) Both

- (d) An element has only one role in plants health
- 12. All N<sub>2</sub> fixers belong to –(a) Eubacteria

(b) Eubacteria and Plantae

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(c) Plantae (d) Protista

13. Nodules that are actively fixing nitrogen are pink, demonstrating the presence of –

- (a) Fe (b) Chlorophyll
- (c) Leg-haemoglobin (d) Anthocyanin
- 14. Root nodules on plants of the legume family contain
  - (a) Cyanobacteria (b) Nitrococcus
    - (c) Rhizobium (d) Nitrobacter

15. Which of the following statements about the chemical process of N<sub>2</sub> fixation in cells is true –

(a) It is enhanced by high  $O_2$  concentrations

- (b) Very little energy in the form of ATP is needed
- (c) All three bonds between nitrogen atoms are broken simultaneously
- (d) Hydrogen atoms are added to nitrogen to form NH<sub>3</sub> molecules

**16.** Nitrate reduction –

- (a) Is performed by plants
- (b) Takes place in mitochondria
- (c) Is catalysed by nitrogenase
- (d) Performed by specialized plant cells located in the root

17. Which of the following groups of micro-organisms do not include the representatives that can fix  $N_2$  -

- (a) Free-living Rhizobium
- (b) Nodule-inhabiting Rhizobium
- (c) Cyanobacteria
- (d) Azotobacter
- 18. Nitrogen fixation by organisms requires conditions that are -
  - (a) Highly alkaline (b) Anaerobic
  - (c) Saturated with sunlight (d) Free of water
- 19. The conversion of ammonia to ammonium occurs -
  - (a) On the ribosomes of cyanobacteria
  - (b) On the endoplasmic reticulum of green algae
  - (c) Spontaneously when ammonia is in water
  - (d) On the dry surface of soil particles
- 20. Plants that have mutualistic relations with nitrogen-fixing bacteria provide the bacteria with (a)  $N_2$  (b) Enzymes (c) Sugars (d) Nitrite
- 21. Which one is the correct summary equation for the nitrogen fixation –
  (a) N<sub>2</sub> + 8e<sup>-</sup> + 8H<sup>+</sup> + 8ATP → NH<sub>3</sub> + H<sub>2</sub> + 16ADP + 16Pi
  (b) N<sub>2</sub> + 8e + 8H<sup>+</sup> + 16ATP → 2 NH<sub>3</sub> + H<sub>2</sub> + 16ADP + 16Pi
  (c) 2NH<sub>3</sub> + 4O<sub>2</sub> → 2H<sup>+</sup> + 2H<sub>2</sub>O + 2NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>
  (d) 2NH<sub>3</sub> + 3O<sub>2</sub> → 2NO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> + 2H<sup>+</sup> + 2H<sub>2</sub>O
- 22. Source (s) of nitrogen oxides is –
  (a) Industrial combustion
  (b) Forest fibre, automobile
  (c) Power-generating stations
  (d) All
- 23. Which of the following represents the abiological mode of adding nitrogen to the soil
  (a) Ammonification
  (b) Nitrification
  (c) Lightning
  (d) Nodule formation
- 24.  $NH_4^+$  is used to synthesise amino acids in plants. For it there are 2 main ways (i)  $\alpha$ -Ketoglutaric acid +  $NH_4^+$  + NADPH

 $\underbrace{\text{Glutamate}}_{\text{Dehydrogenase}} \text{glutamate} + \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{NADP}$ 

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(ii) 
$$R_1 - C - \overset{|}{\underset{NH_3^+}{COO^-}} + R_2 - \underset{|}{COO^-} = \overset{|}{\underset{o}{\underset{O}{\longrightarrow}}}$$

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$$R_1 - \underset{i}{\overset{H}{\overset{H}}} - COO^- + R_2 - \underset{i}{\overset{H}{\overset{H}{\overset{H}}}} - COO$$

(a) Both (i) and (ii) are reductive amination

- (b) Both (i) and (ii) are transamination
- (c) (i) Is transamination and (ii) is reductive amination
- (d) (i) Is reductive amination and (ii) is transamination
- **25.** The amino acids which pays a central role in nitrogen metabolism is / are
  - (a) Glutamic acid
  - (b)  $\alpha$ -ketoglutaric acid
  - (c) Aspartic acid
  - (d) Double aminated keto acids

# 26. Transported and storage form of nitrogen in plants are – (a) Amides (b) Polypeptides (c) Amino acids (d) α-ketoglutaric acids

- 27. Nitrite reductase enzyme is used to convert
  - (a) Nitrate into nitrite ion
  - (b) Nitrogen of atmosphere into ammonia
  - (c) Ammonia into nitrates
  - (d) Nitrite to ammonium ion

## 28. During ionic flux, the uptake of ions into inner space is – (a) Passive process (b) Active process (c) Energy dependent (d) Both b and c

- 29. Outer space / free space includes –

   (a) Inter cellular spaces
   (b) Cell wall

   (c) Apoplast
   (d) All
- 30. Inner space consists of –

  (a) Cytoplasm
  (b) Vacuole
  (c) Apoplast, vacuole
  (d) Cytoplasm and vacuole

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1.	(c)	
2.	(d)	
3.	(c)	
4.	(d)	
5.	(a)	
6.	(c)	
7.	(b)	
8.	(a)	
9.	(a)	
10.	(b)	
11.	(c)	
12.	(c)	
13.	(b)	
14.	(b)	
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21.	(c)	
22.	(d)	
23.	(c)	
24.	(a)	
25.	(d)	
26.	(a)	
27.	(d)	
28.	(d)	

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**29.** (c)

**30.** (d)

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