- 1. During which phase of meiosis do homologous chromosomes separate?
  - A. Prophase I B. Metaphase I C. Anaphase I D. Anaphase II
- 2. Which event during prophase I increases genetic variation?
  - A. Chromosome duplication B. Crossing over C. Spindle formation D. Cytokinesis
- 3. A human gamete contains how many chromosomes?
  - A. 23 B. 46 C. 92 D. 21
- 4. What is the result of crossing over?
  - A. Identical chromatids B. Extra chromosomes C. Genetic recombination D. DNA replication
- 5. Which structure forms during cytokinesis in plant cells?
  - A. Cleavage furrow B. Centriole C. Cell plate D. Spindle fibre
- 6. At what stage of meiosis are tetrads visible?
  - A. Prophase I B. Metaphase I C. Anaphase I D. Telophase I
- 7. What best describes independent assortment?
  - A. Random fusion of gametes B. Random alignment of homologous pairs in metaphase
  - C. Separation of sister chromatids D. Formation of spindle fibres
- 8. What is the primary function of meiosis?
  - A. Growth B. DNA repair C. Production of haploid gametes D. Tissue regeneration
- 9. Which of the following distinguishes meiosis from mitosis?
  - A. Two rounds of cell division B. Identical daughter cells C. One DNA replication step
  - D. All of the above
- 10. Which structure connects sister chromatids?
  - A. Centrosome B. Kinetochore C. Centromere D. Microtubule

## True or False (T/F):

- 11. Crossing over occurs during metaphase I.
- 12. Meiosis produces four genetically identical haploid cells.
- 13. Anaphase II separates homologous chromosomes.
- 14. The cell cycle includes meiosis as a phase.

- 15. A zygote is formed by the fusion of two gametes.
- 16. Explain how crossing over contributes to genetic variation.
- 17. Compare and contrast metaphase I and metaphase II.
- 18. Describe how nondisjunction can lead to an euploidy.
- 19. Why are gametes haploid while somatic cells are diploid?
- 20. Identify the key events of prophase I.
- 21. What is synapsis and why is it important in meiosis?
- 22. Describe two major differences between cytokinesis in animal vs. plant cells.
- 23. What role do spindle fibres play in meiosis?
- 24. Why doesn't DNA replication occur between meiosis I and meiosis II?
- 25. Define the term "chiasma" and explain its significance.
- 26. A mutation affects proteins involved in synapsis. Predict how meiosis would be impacted.
- 27. Two gametes combine but one carries an extra chromosome. What is the likely genetic condition?
- 28. Explain how meiosis followed by fertilization restores the diploid number in humans.
- 29. How does sexual reproduction contribute to population-level genetic variation?
- 30. A student observes a cell with 46 chromosomes in prophase I. How many chromatids are present?
- 31. Predict the outcome if spindle fibres fail to form in metaphase I.
- 32. Describe how meiotic errors can lead to heritable genetic disorders.
- 33. Compare the end result of meiosis in males and females.
- 34. A parent has a trisomy condition. In which meiotic phase did the error likely occur?
- 35. Explain how meiosis can create new gene combinations not found in either parent.

- 36. Compare and contrast the processes and outcomes of mitosis and meiosis.
- 37. Explain how the stages of meiosis ensure both reduction division and genetic diversity.
- 38. Describe the process of spermatogenesis versus oogenesis.
- 39. Discuss how chromosomal abnormalities during meiosis can affect phenotypes.
- 40. Evaluate the role of meiosis in evolution and natural selection.
- 41. Explain how prenatal genetic screening can detect meiotic errors.
- 42. How does nondisjunction during meiosis I differ from nondisjunction during meiosis II?
- 43. Discuss one ethical dilemma associated with screening embryos for chromosomal disorders.
- 44. Describe one laboratory technique that allows observation of meiosis.
- 45. Design an experiment to observe meiotic stages using prepared slides and staining.

