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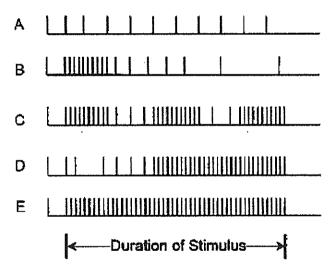
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DIRECTIONS: Each question below contains several suggested responses. Select the one best response to each question.

- 1. An increase in refractive power is produced by contraction of the
- a. Iris
- b. Ciliary body
- c. Suspensory ligaments
- d. Extraocular muscles
- e. Pupil
- 2. The primary function of the bones of the middle ear is to
- a. Amplify the sound stimulus
- b. Filter high-frequency sounds from the sound stimulus
- c. Enable the direction of a sound stimulus to be detected
- d. Enhance the ability to distinguish different sound frequencies
- e. Protect the ear from damage
- **3.** During a voluntary movement, the Golgi tendon organ provides the central nervous system with information about
- a. The length of the muscle being moved
- b. The velocity of the movement
- c. The blood flow to the muscle being moved
- d. The tension developed by the muscle being moved
- e. The change in joint angle produced by the movement
- 4. Repetitive stimulation of a skeletal muscle fiber will cause an increase in contractile strength because repetitive stimulation causes an increase in
- a. The duration of cross-bridge cycling
- b. The concentration of calcium in the myoplasm
- c. The magnitude of the end-plate potential
- d. The number of muscle myofibrils generating tension .
- e. The velocity of muscle contraction
- 5. Free nerve endings contain receptors that encode the sensation of
- a. Fine touch
- b. Vibration
- c. Pressure
- d. Temperature
- e. Muscle length



- 6. An aphasia is most likely to be associated with a lesion of
- a. The hippocampus
- b. The temporal lobe
- c. The parietal lobe
- d. The limbic system
- e. The reticular activating system
 - 7. Depolarization of the hair cells in the cochlea is caused primarily by the flow of
 - a. K+ into the hair cell
 - b. Na+ into the hair cell
 - c. Cli out of the hair cell
 - d. Ca2+ into the hair cell
 - e. Mg2+ into the hair cell
 - 8. The most important role of the gamma motoneurons is to
 - a. Stimulate skeletal muscle fibers to contract
 - b. Maintain Ia afferent activity during contraction of muscle
 - c. Generate activity in Ib afferent fibers
 - d. Detect the length of resting skeletal muscle
 - e. Prevent muscles from producing too much force
 - 9. Each of the figures in the diagram below illustrates a train of action potentials in response to a sudden limb movement. The sensory neuron encoding the velocity of the limb movement is illustrated by which figure?



- a. A
- b. B
- c. C
- d. D e. E
- 10. Which of the following receptors is responsible for measuring the intensity of a steady pressure on the skin surface?
- a. Pacinian corpuscle
- b. Ruffini ending
- c. Merkel's disk
- d. Meissner's corpuscle
- e. Krause ending



- 11. The middle cerebellar peduncle contains afferent fibers conveyed in which of the following tracts?
- a. Dorsal spinocerebellar
- b. Ventral spinocerebellar
- c. Tectocerebellar
- d. Pontocerebellar
- e. Vestibulocerebellar
- 12. The precentral gyrus and corticospinal tract are essential for
- a. Vision
- b. Olfaction
- c. Auditory identification
- d. Kinesthesia
- e. Voluntary movement
- 13. A patient who presents with an intention tremor, "past-pointing," and a "drunken" gait might be expected to have a lesion involving the
- a. Cerebellum
- b. Medulla
- c. Cortical motor strip
- d. Basal ganglia
- e. Eighth cranial nerve
- 14. The otolith organs (utricle and saccule) are responsible for
- a. Producing the vestibular-ocular reflex
- b. Detecting the position of the head in space
- c. Producing rotary nystagmus
- d. Detecting angular acceleration
- e. Producing the stretch reflex
- 15. Which one of the reactions in the retinal rods is caused directly by the absorption of light energy?
- a. Dissociation of scotopsin and metarhodopsin
- b. Decomposition of scotopsin
- c. Transformation of 11-cis retinal to all-trans retinal
- d. Transformation of metarhodopsin to lumirhodopsin
- e. Transformation of vitamin A to retinene
- 16. Which of the following statements about the cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) is true?
- a. It is absorbed by the choroid plexus
- b. Its absorption is independent of CSF pressure
- c. It circulates in the epidural space
- d. It has a lower glucose concentration than plasma
- e. It has a higher protein concentration than plasma
- 17. When a person slowly rotates toward the right,
- a. The stereocilia on the hair cells in the right horizontal semicircular canal bend away from the kinocilium
- b. Both the left and right eyes deviate toward the left
- c. The hair cells in the left horizontal semicircular canal become depolarized
- d. The visual image on the retina becomes unfocused
- e. The endolymph in the left and right horizontal semicircular canals moves in opposite directions
- 18. During a normal voluntary movement
- a. Large muscle fibers are recruited before small muscle fibers
- b. Fast muscle fibers are recruited before slow muscle fibers
- c. Weak muscle fibers are recruited before strong muscle fibers
- d. Poorly perfused muscle fibers are recruited before richly perfused muscle fibers
- e. Anaerobic fibers are recruited before aerobic fibers

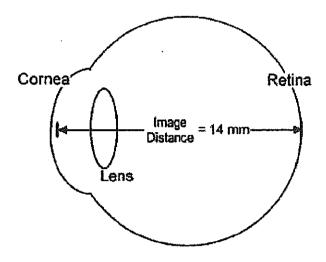


- 19. Correct statements regarding rapid eye movement (REM) sleep include which of the following?
- a. It is the first state of sleep entered when a person falls asleep
- b. It is accompanied by loss of skeletal muscle tone
- c. It is characterized by a slow but steady heart rate
- d. It occurs more often in adults than in children.
- e. It lasts longer than periods of slow-wave sleep
- 20. When emmetropic persons become presbyopic, their
- a. Visual acuity increases
- b. Near point increases
- c. Far point decreases
- d. Total refractive power increases
- e. Ability to see distant objects decreases
- 21. When light strikes the eye there is an increase in
- a. The activity of the transducin
- b. The amount of transmitter released from the photoreceptors
- c. The concentration of all-trans retinal within the photoreceptors
- d. The concentration of calcium within the photoreceptors
- e. The activity of guanylyl cyclase
- 22. Spasticity can be caused by sectioning
- a. The corticospinal fibers
- b. The vestibulospinal fibers
- c. The Ia afferent fibers
- d. The corticoreticular fibers
- e. The reticulospinal fibers
- 23. Activation of transducin by light activates an enzyme which
- a. Hydrolyzes cGMP
- b. Increases the dark current
- c. Activates adenylyl cyclase
- d. Releases calcium from intracellular stores
- e. Depolarizes the membrane
- 24. If nystagmus is a prominent symptom of a cerebellar lesion, the lesion is within
- a. The dentate nucleus
- b. The flocculonodular lobe
- c. The lateral cerebellum
- d. The cerebrocerebellar cortex
- e. The superior cerebellar peduncle
- 25. The alpha rhythm appearing on an electroencephalogram has which of the following characteristics?
- a. It produces 20 to 30 waves per second
- b. It disappears when a patient's eyes open
- c. It is replaced by slower, larger waves during REM sleep
- d. It represents activity that is most pronounced in the frontal region of the brain
- e. It is associated with deep sleep



Questions 26-27

The image distance of a normal relaxed eye is indicated in the diagram below.



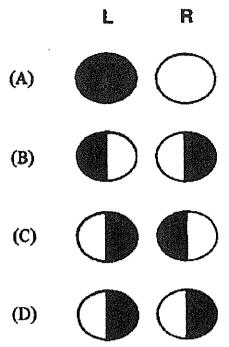
- 26. The focal length of the eye is
- a. 14 mm
- b. 15 mm
- c. 17 mm
- d. 19 mm
- e. 21 mm
- 27. If an object is placed 25 cm away from the eye, the image will be focused on the retina if the refractive power of the eye is increased to
- a. 64 diopters
- b. 68 diopters
- c. 70 diopters
- d. 72 diopters
- e. 75 diopters
- 28. Tapping the patella tendon elicits a reflex contraction of the quadriceps muscle. During the contraction of the quadriceps muscle,
- a. The Ib afferents from the Golgi tendon organ increase their rate of firing
- b. The Ia afferents from the muscle spindle increase their rate of firing
- c. The alpha motoneurons innervating the extrafusal muscle fibers decrease their rate of firing
- d. The gamma motoneurons innervating the intrafusal muscle fibers increase their rate of firing
- e. The alpha motoneurons to the antagonistic muscles increase their rate of firing
- 29. Increased activity of the sympathetic nervous system causes
- a. Penile erection
- b. Pupillary constriction
- c. Accommodation for near vision
- d. Bronchiolar dilation
- e. Gallbladder emptying
- 30. Norepinephrine will cause contraction of the smooth muscle in the
- a. Bronchioles
- b. Pupils
- c. Intestine
- d. Arterioles
- e. Ciliary body



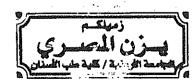
- 31. If the threshold for hearing increases 1000 times, the hearing loss is
- a. 20 decibels
- b. 30 decibels
- c. 40 decibels
- d. 50 decibels
- e. 60 decibels
- 32. If a patient is unable to hear high-frequency sounds, the damage to the basilar membrane is closest to
- a. Oval window
- b. Helicotrema
- c. Stria vascularis
- d. Modiolus
- e. Spiral ganglion
- 33. An abnormal Babinski reflex indicates damage to the
- a. Spinal cord
- b. Brainstem
- c. Cerebellum
- d. Basal ganglia
- e. Pyramids
- **34.** Which of the following hypothalamic nuclei is responsible for controlling the normal circadian rhythm?
- a. Paraventricular nucleus
- b. Ventromedial nucleus
- c. Arcuate nucleus
- d. Lateral nucleus
- e. Suprachiasmatic nucleus
- 35. Presynaptic inhibition in the central nervous system affects the firing rate of alpha motoneurons by
- a. Increasing the chloride permeability of the presynaptic nerve ending
- b. Decreasing the potassium permeability of the alpha motoneuron
- c. Decreasing the frequency of action potentials by the presynaptic nerve ending
- d. Increasing (hyperpolarizing) the membrane potential of the alpha motoneuron
- e. Increasing the amount of the neurotransmitter released by the presynaptic nerve ending
- 36. Which one of the following events accompanies the rapid voluntary flexion of the arm?
- a. An increase in the activity of the Ia afferent fibers from the biceps (the agonist)
- b. A decrease in the activity of the Ib afferent fibers from the biceps (the agonist)
- c. An increase in the activity of the Ia afferent fibers from the triceps (the antagonist)
- d. A decrease in the activity of the Ib afferent fibers from the triceps (the antagonist)
- e. An increase in the activity of the alpha motoneurons to the triceps (the antagonist)
- 37. The sympathetic response in a "fight or flight" reaction causes a decrease in
- a. The arterial blood pressure
- b. The diameter of the pupil
- c. The resistance of the airways
- d. The blood glucose concentration
- e. The heart rate



38. Which one of the optic field defects listed in the following diagram is produced by a pituitary gland tumor?



- a.A
- b. B
- c.C
- d. D
- 39. Which one of the following visual lesions will produce extensive loss of peripheral vision in the left visual fields of both eyes?
- a. A lesion of the left lateral geniculate
- b. Section of the left optic nerve
- c. A lesion of the right visual cortex
- d. Removal of the right lens
- e. Section of the left optic tract
- **40.** The pain produced by ischemia is poorly localized and throbbing while pain from a needle stick is well localized and sharp. Which of the following comparisons of ischemic and needle stick pain is correct?
- a. Ischemic pain sensory fibers are classified as A delta (AS) sensory fibers
- b. Ischemic pain is produced by overstimulating somatic touch receptors
- c. Ischemic pain is transmitted to the brain through the neospinothalamic tract
- d. Ischemic pain receptors quickly adapt to a painful stimulus
- e. Ischemic pain sensory fibers terminate within the substantia gelatinosa of the spinal cord
- 41. Which one of the following hypothalamic nuclei is responsible for the detection of the core body temperature?
- a. The lateral hypothalamus
- b. The arcuate nucleus
- c. The posterior nucleus
- d. The paraventricular nucleus
- e. The anterior hypothalamus



- 42. In which one of the following sensory systems does stimulation cause the receptor cell to hyperpolarize?
- a. Vision
- b. Hearing
- c. Taste
- d. Touch
- e. Smell
- 43. The Klüver-Bucy syndrome is characterized by decreased emotional expression, loss of fear, excessive oral behavior, and increase in sexual activity. These characteristics of the Klüver-Bucy syndrome are produced by bilateral lesions of the
- a. Hippocampus
- b. Amygdala.
 c. Ventral hypothalamus.
- d. Corpus callosum.
- e. Cingulate gyrus.

