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### 5.5 Living Systems

The student will investigate and understand that organisms are made of one or more cells and have distinguishing characteristics that play a vital role in the organism's ability to survive and thrive in its environment. Key concepts include

- a. basic cell structures and functions;
- classification of organisms using physical characteristics, body structures, and behavior of the organism; and
- traits of organisms that allow them to survive in their environment.

### **CELLS**

- Which of these organisms has cells with cell walls? (2011 test – question 32)
  - a. A bluebird
  - b. A pine tree
  - c. A ladybug
  - d. A fox squirrel
- 2. Which structure does a plant *cell* have that an animal cell does not have?

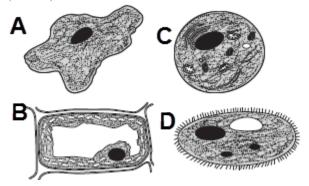
(2010 test - question 9)

- a. Vacuole
- b. Cytoplasm
- c. Cell membrane
- d. Cell wall
- Which structure surrounds and protects an animal cell? (2009-11)
  - a. Nucleus
  - b. Vacuole
  - c. Cytoplasm
  - d. Cell membrane
- 4. Which part of a *plant cell* is responsible for controlling the activities of the other parts of the cell?

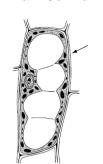
(2008 test - question 30)

- a. Vacuole
- b. Nucleus
- c. Cell wall
- d. Chloroplast
- 5. Which of these is the main function of a *cell wall*? (2008-31)
  - a. To make food
  - b. To store water
  - To provide support
  - d. To make the plant green

6. Which of these *cells* most likely came from a plant? (2007-40)



- 7. What part of the *plant cell* is shown at the arrow? (2002 test question 3)
  - a. Cell wall



- b. Cell membrane
- c. Vacuole
- d. Nucleus

8. The part of a *plant cell* that gives the cell its green color is the —

2004 test – question 31)

- a. nucleus
- b. cytoplasm
- c. vacuole
- d. chloroplast
- 9. The internal parts of a *cell* are suspended in a jelly-like liquid called the —

(2001 test - question 23)

- a. nucleus
- b. cell membrane
- c. cytoplasm
- d. chloroplasts

## VASCULAR / NONVASCULAR

- A student sees many plants around a pond. The student can determine which plants are *nonvascular* by — (2007-38)
  - a. observing if they lack true stems, roots, or leaves
  - b. examining the plants for spores
  - c. counting the number of leaves on each stalk
  - d. noticing if the plants are near rocks

- 12. Trees, wild flowers, and grasses are all considered to be (2004-34)
  - a. vascular plants
  - b. nonvascular plants
  - c. woody plants
  - d. nonwoody plants
- 13. **Moss** is best classified as (2010-36)
  - a. a type of mold
  - b. an evergreen plant
  - c. a species of fungus
  - d. a nonvascular plant
- 14. Which of these plants does not have special tissues to deliver food and water to its cells?

(2005-20)

- a. Maple
- b. Dogwood
- c. Tomato
- d. Liverwort
- 15. Which of the following plants is an example of a *nonvascular plant*?

(2002-20)

- a. Dogwood
- b. Moss
- c. Ginkgo
- d. Pine tree
- Redwood *trees* can grow to be very tall. They can grow so tall because they are —

(2003-27)

- a. vascular
- b. deciduous
- c. nonvascular
- d. flowering

# VERTEBRATES/ INVERTEBRATES

17. Which of these would best describe the tube worms shown?

(2011 test - question 39)

- a. Mammals
- b. Vertebrates
- c. Amphibians
- d. Invertebrates
- 18. Which of the following animals is an invertebrate?

(2007 test - question 21)

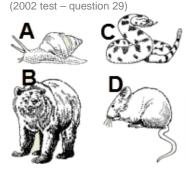
- a. Squirrel
- b. Sea gull
- c. Cricket
- d. Lizard



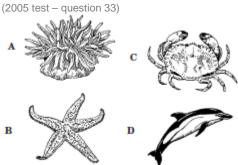
19. Which of these animals is an invertebrate?

(2008 test - question 24)

20. Which of the following is an invertebrate?



21. Which of the following would be classified as a *vertebrate*?



- 22. How is a fish different from a jellyfish? (2004 test question 4)
  - a. A fish has a backbone.
    - b. A fish is in the animal kingdom.
    - c. A fish can reproduce.
    - d. A fish lives in water.
- 23. Which of the following sea animals would be classified as an *invertebrate*?

2003 test - question 28)

- a. Sea horse
- b. Squid
- c. Shark
- d. Seal
- 24. The jellyfish is an *invertebrate* because it lacks (2001 test question 2)
  - a. eyes
  - b. bones
  - c. blood
  - d. cells

### 25. In which chart are all the organisms sorted correctly? (2010 test – question 29)

Vertebrates	Invertebrates	Vertebrates	Invertebrates
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Vertebrates	Invertebrates	Vertebrates	Invertebrates
Vertebrates	Invertebrates	Vertebrates	Invertebrates
Vertebrates B	Invertebrates	Vertebrates D	Invertebrates

26. A student made a list of examples of each of the *five kingdoms*. The list contains two examples from the same kingdom. Which one of these should be removed from the list?

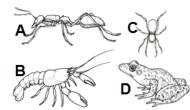
(2007 test - question 6)

- a. Worm
- b. Mushroom
- c. Sunflower
- d. Amoeba
- 27. Which of these animals has a different body support system than the others?

(2009 test - question 37)

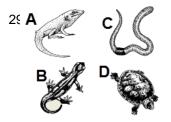
# Student Examples of the Five Kingdoms

- 1. Elephant
- 2. Worm
- 3. Mushroom
- 4. Sunflower
- 5. Amoeba



Group 1	Group 2

28. Which animal belongs in *group* one? (2006 test – question 5)



The picture shows a bumblebee. Which part of the bumblebee is most helpful in identifying it as an insect?

(2005 test - question 30)

- a. Shape of eyes
- b. Number of legs
- c. Presence of wings
- d. Location of antenna

NOTE – the 2010 VDOE Curriculum Framework no longer mentions the five kingdoms, so questions like the following will presumably no longer be included on the 5<sup>th</sup> grade test.

30. A kingdom is the largest classification of living things. What other organisms, besides plants and animals, make up the *five kingdoms*?

(2006 test - question 7)

- a. Fungi, protists, and monerans
- b. Fungi, protists, and viruses
- c. Monerans, protists, and viruses
- d. Monerans, protists, and vertebrates
- 31. The picture shows a Venus's flytrap.

This unusual organism can trap flies with its leaves, but it gets most of its food from photosynthesis. To what *kingdom* does this organism belong?

(2003 test - question 18)

- a. Monera
- b. Protista
- c. Fungi
- d. Plantae
- 32. The American dogwood is a member of which *kingdom* of living things?

(2002 test - question 36)

- a. Monera
- b. Animal
- c. Protist
- d. Plant
- 33. Although the mushroom looks like a plant, it is in a different kingdom. The main difference between the *fungi kingdom* and the plant kingdom is that fungi —

(2008 test - question 23)

- a. Use chlorophyll to make sugar
- b. have special tissues
- c. absorb nutrients from other organisms
- d. depend on the Sun for energy
- 34. Which of these belong to the *kingdom* Monera?

(2001 test – question 16)

- a. Ferns
- b. Mosses
- c. Mushrooms
- d. Bacteria



