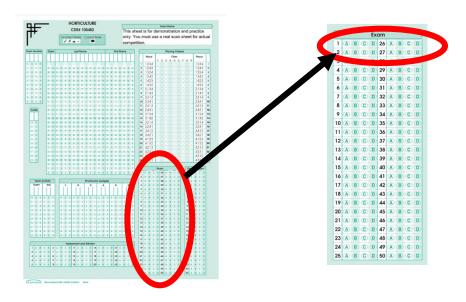


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Please use your **pencil** to fill in each correct answer in the Exam section on your scantron. Make sure all **bubbles are filled neatly and completely** so you are able to get credit for your answers.



- 1. The primary gas resulting from fish and food waste in an aquarium is?
 - a. Ammonia
 - b. Oxygen
 - c. Carbon Dioxide
 - d. Hydrogen
- 2. A surge in what hormone causes ovulation?
 - a. Prostaglandin
 - b. Progesterone
 - c. Luteinizing hormone
 - d. Corpus luteum
- 3. This amino acid is required in the diet of cats, but not dogs.
 - a. Lysine
 - b. Proline
 - c. Alanine
 - d. Taurine
- 4. These internal parasites of birds are also known as threadworms.
 - a. Chlamydia
 - b. Capillaria
 - c. Toxocara
 - d. Ancylostoma





- 5. What is true about a taper needle?
 - a. it cannot be used for delicate tissue
 - b. there are typically 2-3 sharp edges
 - c. it pierces, not cuts, through tissue
 - d. it doesn't come in swaged form
- 6. Where does oxygen exchange in the gills of a fish?
 - a. Alveoli
 - b. Air Sacs
 - c. Lamella
 - d. None of the above
- 7. What connects one bone to another bone?
 - a. Tendons
 - b. Cartilage
 - c. Ligaments
 - d. All the above
- 8. The top layer of skin is called the...?
 - a. Sebaceous
 - b. Epidermis
 - c. Dermis
 - d. Subcutaneous
- 9. What is the average temperature of a rabbit?
 - a. 88-90F
 - b. 97-98F
 - c. 90-92F
 - d. 99-102F
- 10. What is the name of the receptors located in a cat's mouth, which is used to pick up odor from the air?
 - a. Jacobson's organ
 - b. Tonsils
 - c. Phalanges
 - d. Williamson organ
- 11. What is another name for the wishbone in birds?
 - a. Furcula
 - b. Sternum
 - c. Ulna
 - d. Radius
- 12. Vocal sounds of a cat are produced by ...?
 - a. Air expanding the larynx
 - b. Contracting the diaphragm
 - c. Vibrating the uvula
 - d. Changes in tension of muscles





- 13. What is the name of the paired fins that are located on the sides of the fish, just behind the head?
 - a. Pectoral
 - b. Caudal
 - c. Pelvic
 - d. Dorsal
- 14. Which nutrient is amino acid associated with?
 - a. Carbohydrates
 - b. Protein
 - c. Fats
 - d. Minerals
- 15. Canine brucellosis will cause dogs to exhibit all but which of the following symptoms?
 - a. Abortion
 - b. Frothing at the mouth
 - c. Failure to whelp
 - d. Swollen testes
- 16. Mange is a diseased caused by...?
 - a. Mites
 - b. Mosquitoes
 - c. Ticks
 - d. Lice
- 17. Swelling of the thyroid gland is a sign of ...?
 - a. Goiter
 - b. Pasteurellosis
 - c. Infectious canine hepatitis
 - d. Ulcer
- 18. This nutrient is important to help build and repair body tissues and organs.
 - a. Carbohydrates
 - b. Protein
 - c. Lipids
 - d. Vitamins
- 19. Aeromonas and Pseudomonas are bacteria that cause infection in reptile?
 - a. Digestive system
 - b. Skin
 - c. Nervous system
 - d. Circulatory system
- 20. This mineral is important in hemoglobin production.
 - a. Calcium
 - b. Phosphorus
 - c. Potassium
 - d. Iron





- 21. Which of the following is not a fungal organism that causes ringworm in dogs?
 - a. Microsporum canis
 - b. Microscorsporum gypsum
 - c. Microsporum eglaris
 - d. Trichophyton mentagrophytes
- 22. Anemia is a condition associated with deficiency.
 - a. Chlorine
 - b. Phosphorus
 - c. Iron
 - d. Potassium
- 23. This insect bites the host animal and a small amount of its saliva enters the skin and causes an allergic reaction that causes severe itching.
 - a. Lice
 - b. Mites
 - c. Fleas
 - d. Ticks
- 24. This parasite looks like spaghetti in the feces.
 - a. Roundworm
 - b. Tapeworm
 - c. Whipworm
 - d. Hookworm
- 25. The basic unit of heredity is?
 - a. Sperm
 - b. Genes
 - c. Ova
 - d. Mutation
- 26. This disease attacks the liver, kidneys, and gastrointestinal tract, causing a lot of pain and discomfort.
 - a. Rabies
 - b. Leptospirosis
 - c. Canine Distemper
 - d. Bordetellosis
- 27. Which is not a vector borne disease?
 - a. Blackleg
 - b. Heartworm Disease
 - c. Lyme Disease
 - d. Pinkeye





- 28. This cat disease produces an enzyme that allows it to insert copies of their own genetic material into that of the cells they have infected.
 - a. Feline Leukemia
 - b. Toxoplasmosis
 - c. Rabies
 - d. Coronavirus
- 29. In birds the urinary and sexual openings are in the?
 - a. Cloaca
 - b. Ceca
 - c. Collop
 - d. Copra
- 30. What hormone is responsible for maintaining pregnancy?
 - a. Estrogen
 - b. Progesterone
 - c. Luteinizing
 - d. Oxytocin
- 31. Which of the following vitamins is important for successful reproduction?
 - a. A
 - b. B
 - c. D
 - d. E
- 32. With fish, the release of eggs by females and fertilization with sperm released by the males?
 - a. Gestation
 - b. Ovulation
 - c. Spawning
 - d. Fertilization
- 33. Which of the following is an example of an airborne disease?
 - a. Parvo
 - b. Distemper
 - c. Bordetella
 - d. Hepatitis
- 34. The term parturition means....?
 - a. the birthing process
 - b. the length of pregnancy
 - c. the change in the length of daylight hours
 - d. the production of milk
- 35. Due to the ability of a cat to synthesize these vitamins, they are not required in a cat's diet.
 - a. B and C
 - b. A and D
 - c. C and K
 - d. A and K





- 36. The genetic makeup of a cell, typically referencing a specific characteristic is known as....?
 - a. Phenotype
 - b. Genotype
 - c. Mitosis
 - d. Geneticosis
- 37. What is an antigen?
 - a. An antibiotic
 - b. A foreign molecule capable of stimulating an immune response
 - c. Large molecules within the intestinal tract
 - d. The body's defense against foreign material
- 38. Which nutrient is important for temperature regulation?
 - a. Protein
 - b. Lipids
 - c. Carbohydrates
 - d. Water
- 39. According to the N.R.C. the average dog should have a diet that consists of% fat.
 - a. 23
 - b. 25
 - c. 19
 - d. 21
- 40. What is the medical term for eardrum?
 - a. Eustachian membrane
 - b. Descemet's membrane
 - c. Nictitating membrane
 - d. Tympanic membrane
- 41. Components of feed used to maintain animal body temperature are used when animals are exercised?
 - a. Vitamins
 - b. Minerals
 - c. Carbohydrates
 - d. Water
- 42. Which is not accurate regarding added fiber?
 - a. Helps with diarrhea
 - b. Causes increase in flatulence
 - c. Helps with constipation
 - d. Causes decrease in volume of feces
- 43. Which of the following is not a role of sodium?
 - a. Nerve transmission
 - b. Fluid regulation
 - c. Acid-based balance
 - d. Hemoglobin





- 44. Ethylene glycol can cause severe damage to which organ?
 - a. Liver
 - b. Kidney
 - c. Pancreas
 - d. Ovary
- 45. The following supplement provides the most usable calcium in a dog's diet?
 - a. Yeast
 - b. Milk
 - c. Bone Meal
 - d. Cod Liver Oil
- 46. To properly apply a splint for a radial/ulnar fracture in a dog, which joints must be immobilized to provide fracture stability?
 - a. Carpus and elbow
 - b. Shoulder and elbow
 - c. Metacarpus and elbow
 - d. Tarsus and elbow
- 47. When clipping the nails of an animal, it is important to avoid cutting the ...?
 - a. Nail
 - b. Cuticle
 - c. Quick
 - d. Short
- 48. What establishes the basic rhythm of the mammalian heart, also known as the pacemaker?
 - a. Papillary muscles
 - b. Bundle of His
 - c. Atrioventricular node
 - d. Sinoatrial node
- 49. What is produced in the medulla of the adrenal gland?
 - a. Aldosterone
 - b. Epinephrine
 - c. Insulin
 - d. Cortisol
- 50. What percent of kittens will be orange in color is you cross a tomcat that is BB with a queen that is Bb? (B=black and b=orange)
 - a. 0%
 - b. 25%
 - c. 50%
 - d. 100%







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26. B 27. A 28. A 29. A 30. B 31. D

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1. A
2. C
3. D
4. B
5. C
6. C
7. C
8. B
9. D
10. A
11. A
12. D

7. C	32. C
8. B	33. C
9. D	34. A
10. A	35. C
11. A	36. B
12. D	37. B
13. A	38. D
14. B	39. A
15. B	40. D
16. A	41. D
17. A	42. D
18. B	43. D
19. C	44. B
20. D	45. C
21. A	46. A
22. C	47. C
23. C	48. D
24. A	49. B
25. B	50. A



