

# RNA Study guide

## Chapter 13

1. What is RNA? *single strand - helps to make proteins*
2. Name the base unit of RNA? *nucleotide*
3. What is the shape of RNA? *single strand*
4. Name the sugar in RNA? *ribose*
5. Name the bases in RNA. *A, U, G, C, Uracil*
6. What makes up the sides of the single helix? *sugar + phosphate alternating*
7. What makes up the middle part of the helix? *bases*
8. Explain 3 main differences between DNA and RNA molecules. *sugars, Bases, structure*
9. What is the function of mRNA? *takes DNA message & brings to ribosome*
10. What is the function of tRNA? *brings amino acid*
11. What is on the top of a tRNA? Bottom? *top = amino acid bottom = anticodon*
12. What is the function of rRNA? *brings mRNA & tRNA together*
13. What are the 2 steps in protein synthesis? *transcription + translation*
14. What is the genetic code? *the codons matched to certain amino acids*
15. What is a codon? What is it on? What is it complementary too? *on mRNA 3 bases*
16. What is an anticodon? What is it on? What is it complementary too? *anticodon on tRNA, mRNA*
17. Why do organisms need to go through protein synthesis? *-*
18. What is the difference between an intron and exon? *code for particular proteins*
19. How/what does RNA polymerase do in transcription? *matches mRNA to DNA*
20. What is the purpose of a promoter? *starts process*
21. Name the amino acids from the following mRNA codons: AUG AAC UCU CAC GAU UAA. *start | asparagine | serine | histidine | aspartic acid | stop*
22. Where does transcription take place in a cell? *nucleus*
23. Where does translation take place in a cell? *cytoplasm*
24. If the codons are: AUG CCC UUU AGA AAG UGA, what is the anticodon sequence? *UAC GGG AAA UCU*
25. What is the Central Dogma of Biology? *DNA → RNA → proteins*
26. Define mutation. *heritable changes in genetic info*
27. Explain a point mutation. *change in 1 nucleotide* UAC → UAG
28. Explain a frameshift mutation. *all amino acids shifted* UAC → UA *delete so others "shift" down*
29. What is polyploidy? *extra sets of chromosomes*
30. What type of organisms can survive polyploidy? *plants*

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## Chapter 12

### DNA Study Guide

1. What is DNA? *Copy of heredity info*
2. Name the base unit of DNA? *nucleotide*
3. What is the shape of DNA? *Double helix*
4. Name the sugar in DNA? *Deoxyribose*
5. Name the bases in DNA. *Adenine, Thymine, Cytosine, Guanine*
6. What makes up the sides of the double helix? *sugar + phosphate alternate*
7. What makes up the "rungs" of the (ladder) double helix? *bases*
8. Explain Chargaff's Rule. *A match to T G match to C*
9. What happened in Griffith's experiment? *transformation caused by DNA*
10. What did Avery prove?
11. What did Hershey and Chase prove?
12. What did Franklin find? *the shape of DNA*
13. What technique did she use? *X-ray diffraction*
14. What is Watson and Crick credited for? *discovery DNA*
15. What is antiparallel? *1 strand of DNA - other is opposite*
16. What does a prokaryotic DNA look like? Where is it in the cell? *in a ring, no nucleus*
17. What does a eukaryotic DNA look like? Where is it in the cell? *chromosomes, in nucleus*
18. List the 3 parts to DNA replication. *unwind, base pairing, joining*
19. When does DNA replication take place? *S phase of cell cycle*
20. Explain the Unwinding stage of DNA replication. *DNA helicase (enzyme) breaks bases bonds to unwind*
21. Explain the Pairing stage of DNA replication. *DNA polymerase (enzyme) adds complimentary base*
22. Explain the Joining stage of DNA replication. *DNA rewinds back up*
23. What is the purpose of DNA polymerase? *adds complimentary base*
24. What is a telomere? *cap on end of chromosomes*
25. If the original DNA strand is TACGGCATC GAT, what is the replicated strand?  
*A T G C C G T A G C T A*

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