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Using a system of colour-coding, match the name of the organelle to its correct function:

Lysosomes

Packaging of proteins for export from Cell

Cell wall

nucleus

Structural support in plants

Fluid part of a cell

Synthesis of proteins

Chloroplast

Production of ATP

Ribosomes

Control Centre of Cell

Plasma membrane

Transport of proteins within Cell

Contains enzymes responsible for breakdown of debris

Photosynthesis

Smooth endoplasmic reticulum

Cytosol

Vacuole

Synthesis of lipids and steroid hormones

Golgi Complex

Mitochondria

Storage facility for fluid, enzymes, nutrients

Controls what enters and leaves the cell

Rough endoplasmic reticulum



THE ENDOCRINE SYSTEM

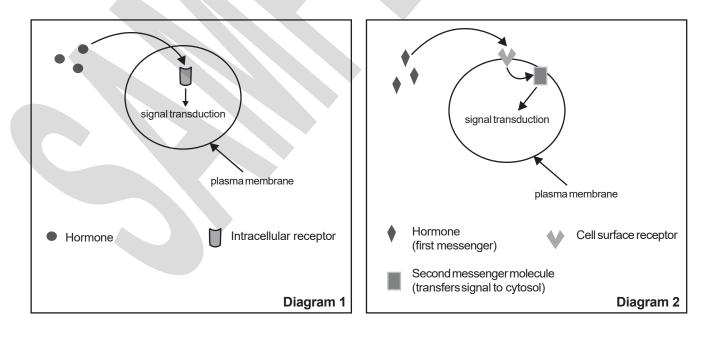
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Word list: bloodstream - activities - target - adrenal - hormones - endocrine - thyroid - nervous - receptors - hormone							

2. List four differences between the endocrine system and the nervous system.



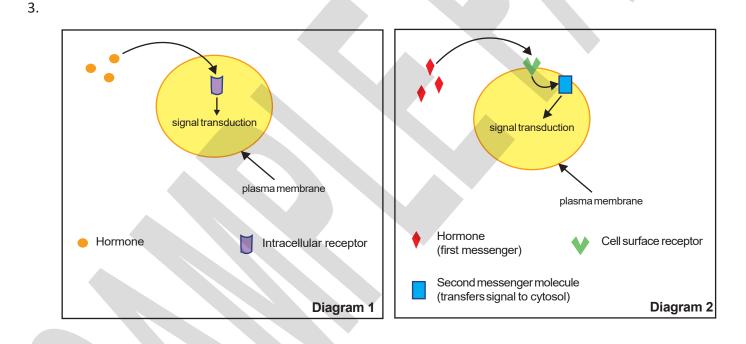
3. The diagrams below show how two different types of hormones work:



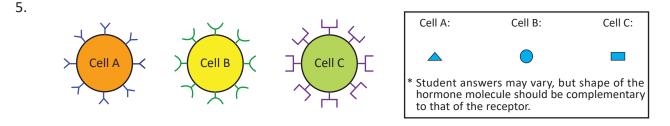
4. (a) Which diagram shows how a hydrophilic hormone works? How do you know?

THE ENDOCRINE SYSTEM (answers)

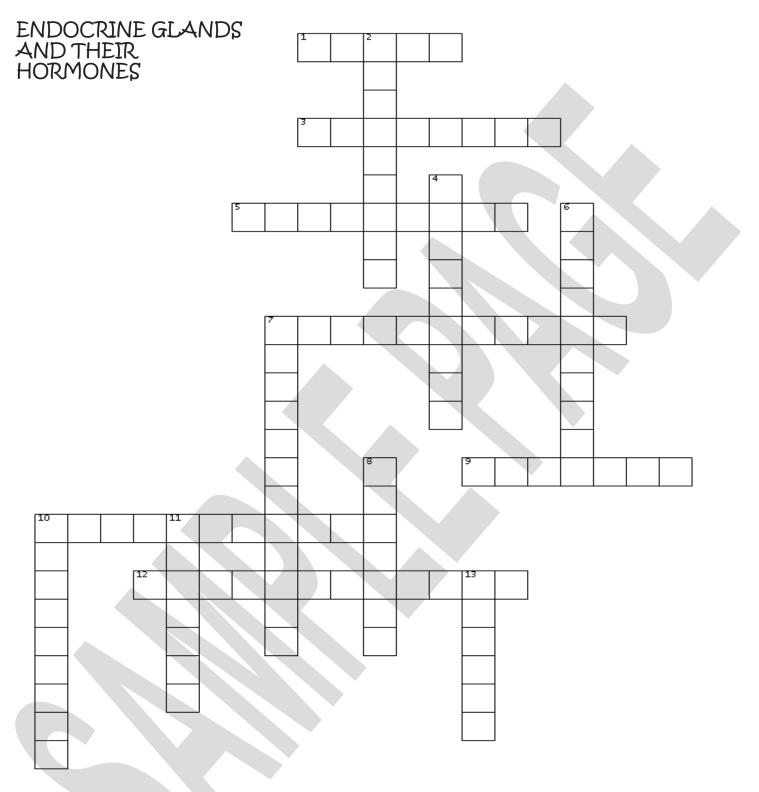
- The endocrine system consists of a network of endocrine glands that secrete hormones. The endocrine system, along with the nervous system, is responsible for regulating the activities of the body. Hormones secreted by endocrine glands are transported in the bloodstream to target cells, which must possess the correct receptors for a particular hormone. Some examples of endocrine glands include the pituitary, adrenal glands and the thyroid gland.
- 2. Any four of: (i) hormones are *chemical* signalling molecules, while the nervous system transmits messages via *electrical* impulses (ii) messages travel faster in the nervous system compared to the endocrine system (iii) nervous impulses are transmitted through nerve cells, or *neurons*, while hormones are transmitted via the bloodstream (iv) the effects of hormones are longer-lasting than those of nervous impulses (v) the nervous system is under both voluntary and involuntary control, while the endocrine system is under involuntary control only (vi) nervous impulses use neurotransmitters at synaptic clefts to enter target cells, while hormones enter cells by diffusing across the plasma membrane or binding to cell receptors.



- 4. (a) Diagram 2 shows how a *hydrophilic* hormone works. Hydrophilic hormones cannot diffuse across the plasma membrane and can therefore bind only to cell surface receptors, as shown (a second messenger molecule is needed to carry the signal into the cell cytosol).
 - (b) A protein hormone is more likely to be hydrophilic because, while soluble in water, it is *insoluble* in lipids and therefore cannot diffuse across the membrane's lipid bilayer (steroid hormones are soluble in lipids and can therefore dissolve through the membrane).



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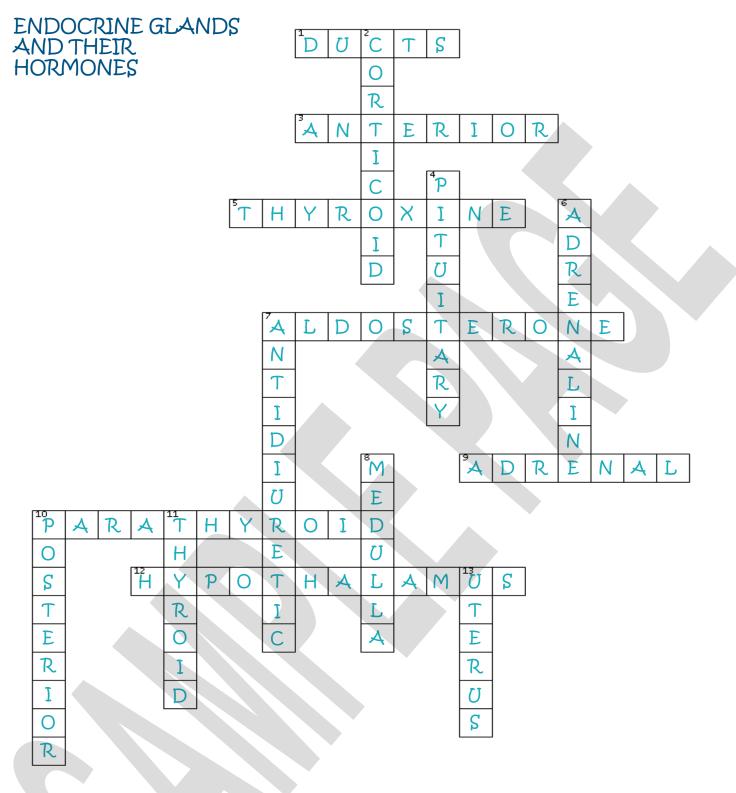


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- 10. This hormone is released when calcium levels are too low.
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THERMOREGULATION: PHYSIOLOGICAL & BEHAVIOURAL RESPONSES



Complete the following table by (i) stating whether each response is *physiological* or *behavioural* and (ii) indicating (with a tick) whether the response *produces heat, increases heat loss* or *decreases heat loss*.

RESPONSE	PHYSIOLOGICAL or	PRODUCES HEAT	INCREASES HEAT LOSS	DECREASES HEAT LOSS
	BEHAVIOURAL?			
Shivering				
Increase in metabolism				
Adding clothing				
Sweating (humans)				
Exercising vigorously				
Vasoconstriction				
Rubbing hands together				
Using an ice pack				
Piloerection				
Huddling				
Panting (dogs)				
Vasodilation				

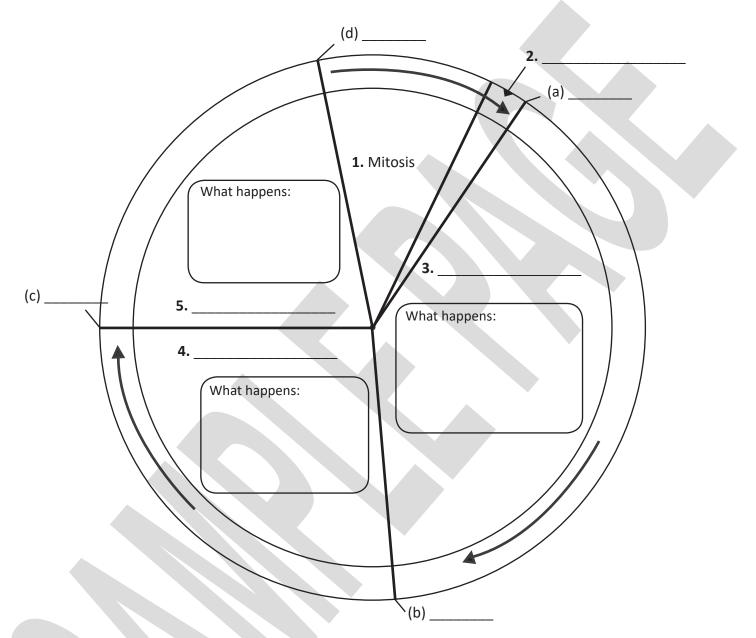


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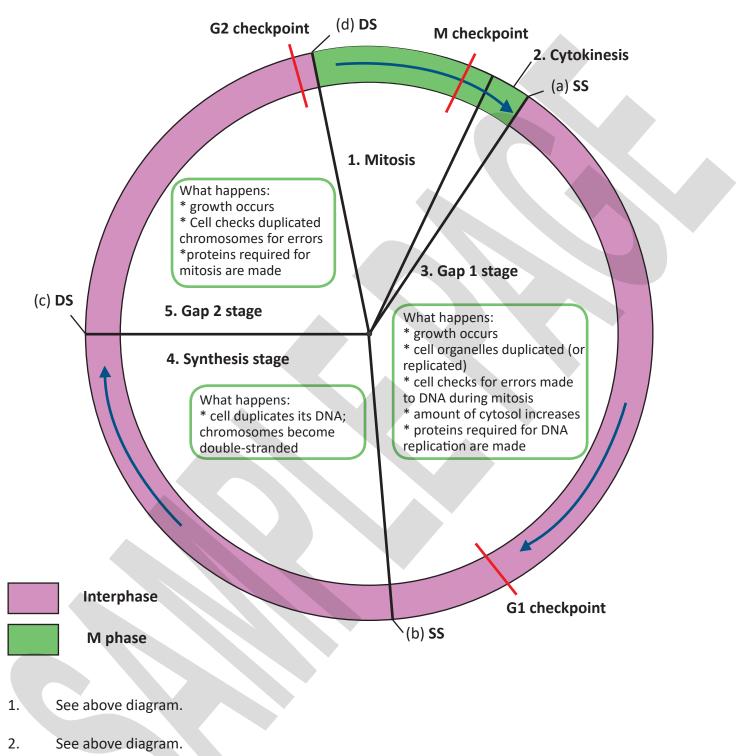
THE CELL CYCLE

The following diagram shows the cell cycle:



- 1. On the diagram, add the names of the stages 2, 3, 4 and 5.
- 2. In the spaces provided, briefly describe what happens during stages 3, 4 and 5.
- 3. At each point (a), (b), (c) and (d), indicate whether the DNA is single-stranded (SS) or double-stranded (DS).
- 4. Which stages make up (i) the *M phase*? (ii) *Interphase*? Use colour-coding and a key to show this.
- 5. On the diagram, show the positions of the three 'checkpoints' in the cell cycle.
- 6. At one of the checkpoints is a protein, p53, which acts as a 'tumour supressor'; its job is to stop cells with damaged DNA from continuing on through the cell cycle. What would happen if p53 malfunctioned?

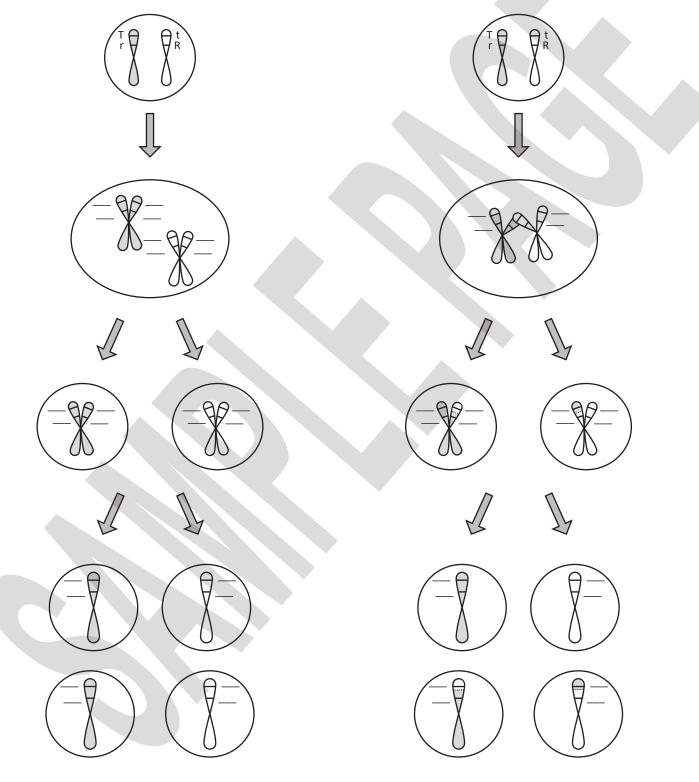
THE CELL CYCLE (answers)



- 3. See above diagram.
- 4. The M phase consists of Mitosis and Cytokinesis (shown in green); Interphase consists of the G1, S and G2 stages (shown in purple).
- 5. See above diagram.
- 6. If the p53 protein malfunctioned, damaged cells would continue on through the cell cycle unchecked, leading to proliferation of these cells. This can lead to cancer.

MEIOSIS: EFFECT OF CROSSING OVER.

A tall plant that produces round seeds has the genotype **TtRr**. The two genes are *linked*, that is, they are located on the same chromosome. The following diagram shows the homologous pair of chromosomes during meiosis, (a) *without* crossing over and (b) *with* crossing over:

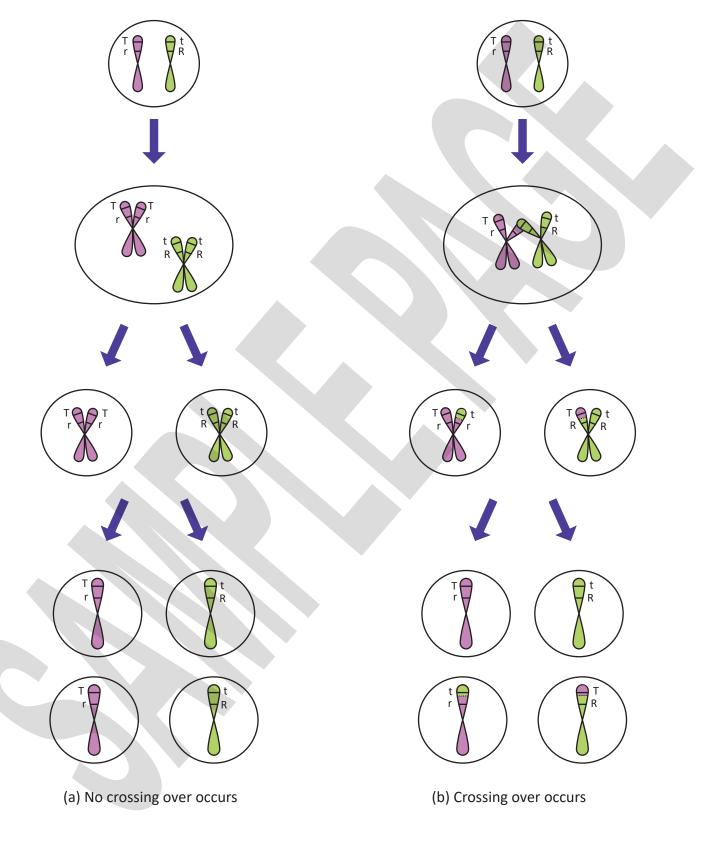


(a) No crossing over occurs

(b) Crossing over occurs

- 1. Complete the diagram by showing the alleles present on each chromosome/chromatid.
- 2. Identify the types of gametes that are produced (i) without crossing over (ii) with crossing over.

MEIOSIS: EFFECT OF CROSSING OVER (answers)



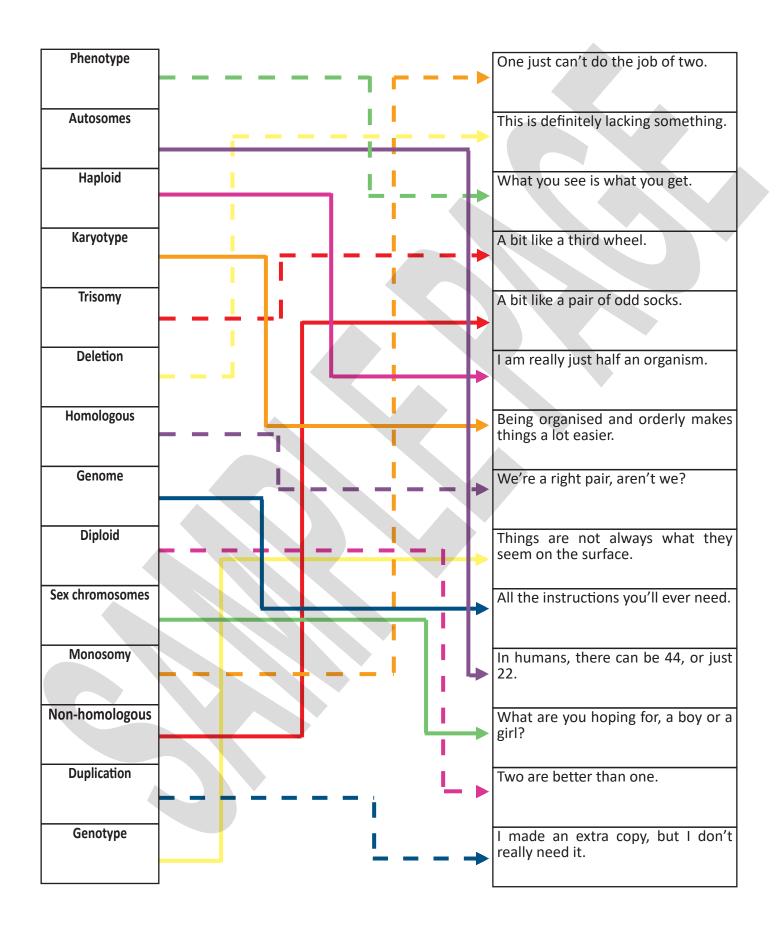
- 1. See above diagram.
- 2. (i) Tr and tR (ii) Tr, tR, tr and TR

GENETICS: IMPORTANT TERMS

Connect the terms on the left with the 'clues' on the right:

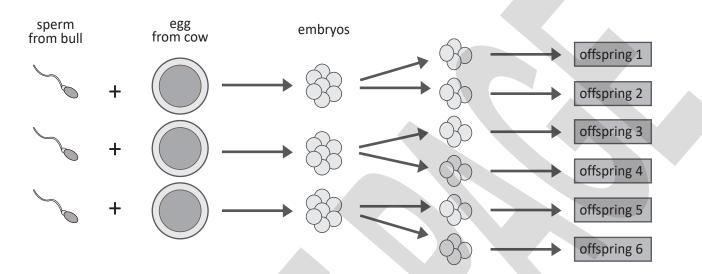
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Phenotype		One just can't do the job of two.
Autosomes		This is definitely lacking something.
Hanlaid		
Haploid		What you see is what you get.
Karyotype		A bit like a third wheel.
		A bit like a third wheel.
Trisomy		A bit like a pair of odd socks.
Deletion		I am really just half an organism.
Homologous		Being organised and orderly makes
		things a lot easier.
Genome		We're a right pair, aren't we?
Diploid		Thisse are not always what they
Diploid		Things are not always what they seem on the surface.
Sex chromosomes		
Sex chi oniosomes		All the instructions you'll ever need.
Monosomy		In humans, there can be 44, or just
		22.
Non-homologous		What are you hoping for, a boy or a
		girl?
Duplication		Two are better than one.
Genotype	-	L made an extra const but L darth
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GENETICS: IMPORTANT TERMS (answers)



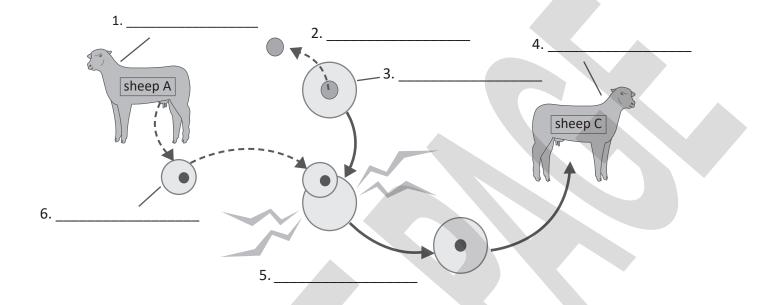
ANIMAL CLONING

1. The following diagram illustrates the process of *embryo splitting*, a technique used in the artificial cloning of animals.



- (a) Which of the offspring 1 6 will be clones of each other? Explain.
- (b) Explain why offspring **1** and offspring **6** will NOT be identical.
- (c) Will the offspring produced be identical to either of the parents? Explain.
- (d) In this process, each embryo will be implanted into a surrogate cow. Does this cow make any genetic contribution to the offspring? Explain.
- 2. The technique of embryo splitting has been used in the livestock industry for many years. What are the advantages of using this technique?

- 3. Another technique used in the artificial cloning of animals is SCNT. What does this stand for?
- 4. The diagram below shows some of the steps involved in creating 'Dolly the sheep' using SCNT.

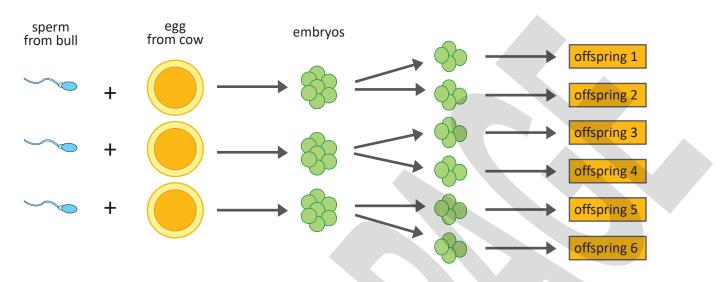


(a) Using the following word list, label numbers **1** - **6** on the diagram.

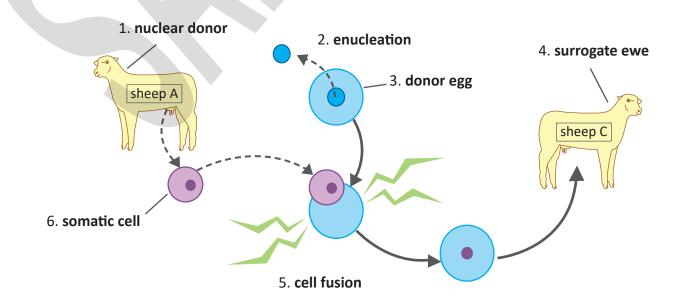
enucleation - surrogate ewe - somatic cell - nuclear donor - cell fusion - donor egg

- (b) Another sheep used in this process, sheep **B**, is not shown in the diagram. Explain the role played by sheep **B** in creating Dolly.
- (c) To which sheep, **A**, **B** or **C**, would Dolly be identical? Explain.
- 5. Dolly was not the first animal to be cloned using nuclear transfer. What made her so special?
- 6. The cloning of animals using SCNT is not without problems. Describe two problems/difficulties that have been associated with this technique.

ANIMAL CLONING (answers)



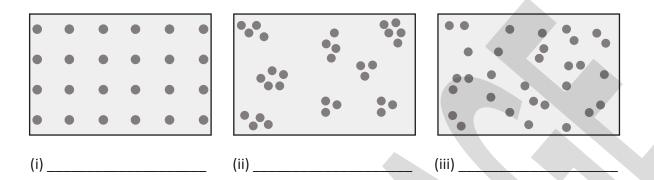
- 1. (a) Offspring **1** and **2** will be clones, as will offspring **3** and **4** and offspring **5** and **6**. This is because in each case, the two offspring have come from the same embryo before it was split.
 - (b) Offspring **1** and offspring **6** will *not* be identical because they are the result of two different sperm fertilising two different eggs. They will therefore be siblings, but not clones.
 - (c) The offspring will not be identical to either parent because each will have received half the genetic material from one parent (the bull), and half from the other (the cow). They will therefore be a genetic mix of both parents.
 - (d) The surrogate cow does not contribute any genetic material to the offspring because it was not her eggs that were used, but those of another cow.
- 2. The advantage of using embryo splitting is that the breeder can increase the number of offspring produced by a stud bull or a prized cow. The parents are chosen because they possess certain desirable characteristics, such as high milk yield in the cow, or lean muscle in the bull, and by splitting the embryo, two calves are produced from each fertilised egg instead of just one.
- 3. Somatic Cell Nuclear Transfer.
- 4. (a) See diagram below.



- (b) Sheep **B** donated the egg cell that was used in the process.
- (c) Dolly would be identical to sheep **A** because this is the sheep that donated the somatic cell used in the process. This cell, with its nucleus containing all the required genetic material, eventually became Dolly.
- 5. Dolly was special because she was the first animal to be cloned using a somatic cell. Previous cloning of animals used embryonic or fetal cells.
- 6. Any two of: (i) the success rate is extremely low; less than 1% of cloned embryos survive beyond birth (ii) of those animals that survive, many have abnormalities, including impaired immune systems and/or 'large offspring syndrome', in which the clones have abnormally large organs (iii) cloned animals tend to age more rapidly than normal, possibly due to the fact that they have developed from adult somatic cells with shortened chromosome ends (telomeres) that may be associated with cell ageing (iv) attitudes towards animal cloning are mixed, with many people opposed to such a practice because they feel it is 'interfering with nature'.

POPULATION GROWTH AND DISTRIBUTION

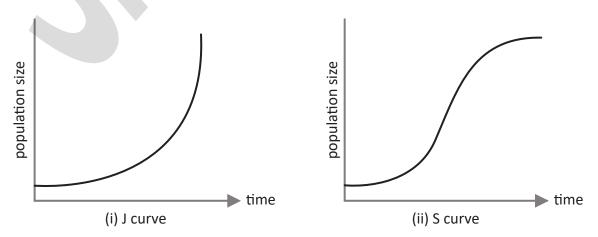
1. The following diagrams show three different types of distribution found in populations:



- (a) On the diagram, label the type of distribution shown in (i), (ii) and (iii).
- (b) Explain, using an example, how the type of distribution shown in (ii) can come about.

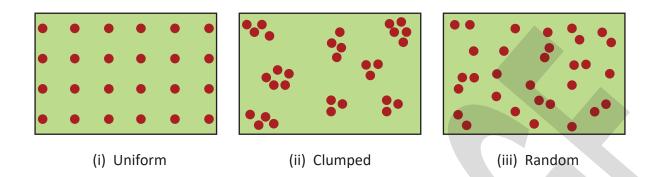
(c) In what situation might you expect to see the type of distribution shown in (i)? Include an example.

- 2. (a) Identify the four factors, or *primary ecological events*, that determine population size.
 - (b) What is meant by 'secondary ecological events' that can affect population size? Give examples.
- 3. The following diagrams show two models of population growth, the *J curve* and the *S curve*:



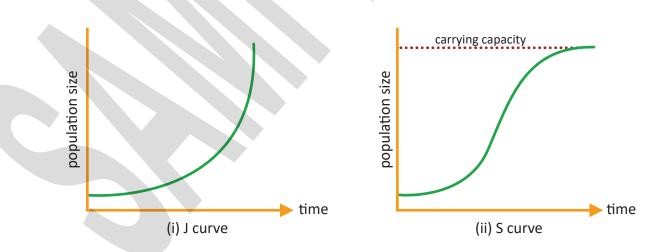
POPULATION GROWTH AND DISTRIBUTION (answers)

1.



- (a) See above diagram.
- (b) A 'clumped' distribution can occur when there are slight differences in environmental conditions across a geographic area, for example, the pH or moisture content of soil may vary. This can result in 'groups' of plants growing in some parts of the region, but not in others (student examples will vary).
- (c) A 'uniform' distribution can occur when individuals of the same species are competing with each other for space and must remain equidistant in order to survive in the available area. This can be seen when members of an animal population defend their territories (student examples will vary).
- 2. (a) Births, deaths, immigration and emigration.
 - (b) Secondary ecological events that can affect population size are things like disease, predators and certain weather events that can influence births, deaths, immigration or emigration. Disease, for example, may increase deaths in a population, while an increase in available food may result in more births, or increased immigration (student examples will vary).

3.



- (a) Both the *J curve* and *S curve* models show a period of exponential growth.
- (b) Exponential growth is most likely to occur in a population when there are unlimited resources such as food and space. It commonly occurs during recovery of a population that has been greatly reduced in size due to a large-scale disaster, such as a fire.

INTERACTING POPULATIONS

The following table shows the number of organisms from three different species (unicellular algae, small fish and zooplankton), found in lake samples taken every two months over two years. The three species form a food chain.

TIME (months)	Species X	Species Y	Species Z	TIME (months)	Species X	Species Y	Species Z
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1. Using the set of axes on the next page, graph the data for each of species **X**, **Y** and **Z**.

2. Which species, **X**, **Y** or **Z**, is the *producer* in this ecosystem? How can you tell?

3. What is *zooplankton*? Which species, **X**, **Y** or **Z**, represents this organism?

4. Infer why the numbers of species **X** fluctuate in the way they do over the two year period.

5. What is meant by a 'boom-and-bust' cycle in ecology, and does your graph show evidence of this? Explain.

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INTERACTING POPULATIONS (answers)

- 1. See graph on next page.
- 2. Species **X**, the unicellular algae, is the producer in this ecosystem. Species **X** has the largest number of organisms which suggests that it is at the bottom of the food chain where the amount of biomass is always highest (biomass decreases with each trophic level in an ecosystem).
- 3. *Zooplankton* is a type of heterotrophic plankton, typically microscopic animals that float or drift in the ocean, seas or bodies of fresh water. In this ecosystem, species **Y** represents zooplankton.
- 4. The population of species **X** fluctuates with the seasons, numbers being higher during the summer months and lower during winter. Algae carry out maximum photosynthesis during summer when more light is available, meaning that they produce more food for themselves.
- 5. A 'boom-and-bust' cycle refers to a population size that grows and then shrinks on a regular basis, the 'boom' being the period of rapid growth, and the 'bust' being the period where the population falls back to a minimal level. The graph shows evidence of this occurring in species **X**, **Y** and **Z** as definite fluctuations in population size are evident.
- 6. The number of prey tends to peak first, followed by the number of predators as more food becomes available to them. For example, the two peaks seen in species **Y**, the zooplankton, are followed by peaks in the population of small fish, which feed on the zooplankton.
- 7. There are fewer small fish than there are zooplankton because the small fish are higher up the food chain. In a food chain, an organism passes on only a fraction (about one-tenth) of the energy it receives from the food it eats. This means that each trophic level in a food chain supports fewer organisms than the one below it.