

Characteristics Of Protists (p. 460 – 471)

I. Diversity

1. Define the term Kingdom Protista.

Kingdom Protista – unusually diverse assortment of eukaryotes that exhibit a broad range of characteristics

2. Circle the letter of the sentence that is false concerning protists.

- Protists exhibit a wide range of feeding styles.
- The means of movement of protists varies significantly.
- Protists normally exist in aquatic environments.
- Protists cannot respond to environmental stimuli. ← Eyespots, Reproductive Changes

3. What are two traits that evolved among protists?

- Sexual Reproduction (times of stress)
- Multicellularity

4. Differentiate between protozoans and algae.

Protozoans : Heterotrophic (Animal-like)
Algae : Photosynthetic (Plant-like)

II. Ameboid Movement (*Phylum Sarcodinia*) – “Protozoans”

1. Define the term pseudopod.

Pseudopod - temporary projections of cytoplasm (used for feeding + movement)

2. Describe the ameboid movement of pseudopodia.

- Cytoplasm of a cell streams into a pseudopod.

3. List two examples of protists that use ameboid movement for locomotion.

- Amoebas
- Foraminiferans

4. Circle the letter of each sentence that is true about amoebas. (not shelled)

- Amoebas are very flexible, with no cell walls or flagella.
- They live in fresh water, ^{and} not salt water. (abundant in soil)
- Amoebas reproduce sexually. (binary fission)
- Many amoebas are free-living, but some are parasitic.

5. Circle the letter of each sentence that is true about foraminiferans.

- They live in ^{salt} fresh water environments.
- Forams possess tiny, porous shells called tests.
- Cytoplasmic extensions that extend from the pores of tests assist with movement.
- The calcium carbonate shells accumulate on ocean floors.

Formed White Cliffs of Dover (England)

Radiolarians - SiO₂ shells
- sources of flint

III. Algae

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1. Algae can be single-celled or multicellular, but must be photosynthetic.

Circle One :

True

False

2. What two characteristics distinguish algae groups?

(Accessory Pigments)

1. Type of pigment 2. Cell or Body Shape

3. Circle the letter of the sentence that is
- false
- concerning green algae.

- a. Green algae belong to the Phylum Chlorophyta.
 b. They are mainly unicellular, freshwater organisms, but large marine forms exist.
 c. Green algae are a major part of microscopic marine plankton.
 d. The pigments of green algae is different than that found in plants.

Similar

4. Circle the letter of the sentence that is
- false
- concerning red algae.

- a. Red algae belong to the Phylum Rhodophyta.
 b. They are mainly unicellular, freshwater organisms.
 c. Their pigments help them absorb various wavelengths of light at deep depths.
 d. Commercially used to make agar and carrageenan.

"All
hail
plankton"

5. Circle the letter of the sentence that is
- false
- concerning brown algae.

- a. Brown algae belong to the Phylum Phaeophyta.
 b. They are multicellular, freshwater organisms.
 c. Coastline kelp provides food and shelter for multiple organisms.
 d. They are among the largest organisms on Earth.

(thickening agents) → chocolate

IV. Diatoms (Phylum Bacillariophyta) – "Algae"

1. Define the term diatoms.

Diatoms – photosynthetic, unicellular protists with unique double shells

2. Circle the letter of each sentence that is
- true
- concerning diatoms.

- a. Diatoms are photosynthetic, unicellular protists.
 b. They possess unique double shells that are shaped like a petri dish.
 c. Diatoms exhibit bilateral (two-sided) or radial (wheel-like) symmetry.
 d. They are incapable of movement.

false

→ spew out chemicals through pores in shells

3. What is diatomaceous earth?

– Thick deposits of diatom shells that are
 mined commercially (Toothpaste, filters, insulation,
 abrasive, pest control)

Chlorophyll

a+b = green

a+c = yellow-brown

a+d = red, pink,
purple or black

Examples

- Ulva
- Volvox
- Spirogyra
- Chlamydomonas

Ex. Coralline
Algae

Examples

- Kelp
- Sargassum
(Sargasso Sea)

V. Flagellates**1. What enables flagellates and ciliates to move?**

Flagellates : Flagella (whip-like structure) Ciliates : Cilia (many tiny hairs)

2. Circle the letter of the sentence that is false concerning dinoflagellates ("Algae").

- a. They are unicellular and possess two flagella.
 b. Dinoflagellates are mainly marine organisms that make up part of plankton.
 c. Some dinoflagellates produce bioluminescent, poisonous red tides. (Gonyaulax)
 d. They are strictly photosynthetic organisms. (heterotrophic, or both) → causes shellfish poisoning

3. Circle the letter of the sentence that is false concerning euglenoids ("Algae").

- a. They are unicellular, freshwater organisms with two flagella.
 b. Many euglena are photosynthetic and possess chloroplasts.
 c. Euglena possess a pellicle, which is a ~~not~~ flexible and does ~~not~~ change shape.
 d. They have an eyespot, which is sensitive to light sources.

4. Circle the letter of the sentence that is false concerning kinetoplastids ("Zooflagellates").

- a. They are unicellular, heterotrophs with at least one flagellum.
 b. They are closely related to Euglenoids.
 c. Most usually reproduce ~~sexually~~ asexually
 d. They are known to cause human diseases. ("Protozoans")

5. Circle the letter of the sentence that is false concerning ciliates ("Protozoans").

- a. A large number of cilia are present, which beat in rhythm to propel the organism.
 b. They are complex, unicellular heterotrophs.
 c. Like euglenoids, they possess a tough, flexible outer pellicle.
 d. They ~~do~~ not have a nucleus. (Macronucleus, Micronucleus) → small pieces of DNA, contain chromosomes

VI. Protistan Molds – "Protozoans"**1. Match the type of protistan mold with the correct definition.**

1. C Cellular Slime Mold A. Water molds, rusts, & mildew
 2. B Plasmodial Slime Mold B. Mass of cytoplasm that looks like oozing slime
 3. A Oomycetes C. Look like amoebas, develop "slug" colonies

VII. Sporozoans – "Protozoans"**1. Circle the letter of each sentence that is true concerning sporozoans.**

- a. They form spores during their reproductive cycle.
 b. They are non-motile, unicellular parasites.
 c. Sporozoans have ~~only one~~ multiple hosts (mosquitoes, black flies, midges)
 d. Diseases can be passed in food or water contaminated with infected feces.

Malaria - Plasmodium
 Toxoplasmosis - Toxoplasma

Cryptosporidium - Diarrhea (Day-cares)

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Phylum
Pyrophyta

Examples

- African Sleeping Sickness
 (Trypanosoma gambiense)
 - Traveler's Diarrhea
 (Giardia lamblia)

Paramecium
 Blepharisma
 Stentor

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