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<b><u>Connective tissue</u></b> - The components - Functions of connective tissue - Extracellular matrix - Ground substance -Types of ground substance -Tissue fluid - Edema - collagen fiber - Reticular fibers - Elastic fibers	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Describe the components of C.T.</li> <li>▪ Explain the mechanical, protection and nutrition roles of C.T.</li> <li>▪ Recognize the types of ground substance and their functions.</li> <li>▪ Define edema and explain its causes.</li> <li>▪ Identify collagen fiber histologically.</li> <li>▪ List types of collagen fibers and their distribution.</li> <li>▪ Recognize structure of reticular fibers and elastic fibers.</li> <li>▪ Determine distribution and function of reticular fiber and elastic fiber.</li> </ul>
<b><u>Connective tissue cells</u></b> -Types of connective tissue cells - Fibroblasts - Macrophages - Mast cells - Plasma cells - Adipose cells - Undifferentiated mesenchymal cells - Reticular cells - Leukocytes (White blood cells)	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Distinguish fibroblast, macrophage and mast cells.</li> <li>▪ List their functions and distribution.</li> <li>▪ Distinguish plasma cell, adipose cell, mesenchymal cell and reticular cell.</li> <li>▪ List their functions and distribution</li> <li>▪ List types of leukocytes (White blood cells)</li> </ul>
<b><u>Classification of connective tissue</u></b> - Mesenchymal connective tissue - Mucous connective tissue - Loose (areolar) connective tissue - Dense connective tissue - Dense irregular connective tissue - Dense regular collagenous connective tissue - Dense regular elastic connective tissue - Reticular connective tissue - Adipose connective tissue	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Identify loose C.T. and its function</li> <li>▪ List the distribution of loose C.T. in the body.</li> <li>▪ Classify the types of dense C.T.</li> <li>▪ Compare between dense regular and dense irregular C.T.</li> <li>▪ Determine functions and distribution of types of dense C.T.</li> <li>▪ Identify reticular connective tissue and give examples of its function and distribution.</li> <li>▪ Distinguish types of adipose connective tissue</li> <li>▪ List the distribution of white and brown adipose tissues and their functions.</li> </ul>
<b><u>Blood</u></b> - The plasma - Erythrocytes (Red blood cells) - Leukocytes (White blood cells) - Granulocytes - Neutrophils - Eosinophils	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Explain the general functions of blood</li> <li>▪ Determine components of plasma</li> <li>▪ Describe shape of erythrocytes and their functions</li> <li>▪ Classify leukocytes</li> </ul>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Basophils</li> <li>- Agranulocytes</li> <li>- Lymphocytes,</li> <li>- Monocytes</li> <li>- Platelets</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Differentiate between types of granulocytes</li> <li>▪ List functions of neutrophils, eosinophils and basophils</li> <li>▪ Differentiate between types of agranulocytes</li> <li>▪ List functions of lymphocytes and monocytes</li> <li>▪ Describe shape of platelets and their functions.</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Cartilage</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- General functions of cartilage</li> <li>- Classification of cartilage</li> <li>- Hyaline cartilage</li> <li>- Articular cartilage</li> <li>- Elastic cartilage</li> <li>- Fibrocartilage</li> <li>- Development and growth of cartilage</li> <li>- Interstitial growth (endogenous growth)</li> <li>- Appositional growth (exogenous growth)</li> </ul>	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ List functions of cartilage</li> <li>▪ Determine nature of matrix</li> <li>▪ Identify the hyaline cartilage and summarize its distribution</li> <li>▪ Distinguish of chondrogenic cells, chondroblast and chondrocyte</li> <li>▪ Describe the perichondrium and its function</li> <li>▪ Explain structure of articular cartilage</li> <li>▪ Distinguish between elastic cartilage and hyaline cartilage</li> <li>▪ Identify the fibrocartilage and summarize its distribution</li> <li>▪ Basic steps of development and growth of cartilage</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Bone</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- General functions of bone</li> <li>- Components of bone structure</li> <li>- Types of bone cells</li> <li>- Periosteum and endosteum</li> <li>- Shapes and types of bones</li> <li>- Spongy and compact bone</li> <li>- Synovial membrane and synovial fluid</li> <li>- Primary and secondary bones</li> </ul>	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ List general functions of bone</li> <li>▪ Determine nature of the bone matrix</li> <li>▪ Recognize different types of bone cells and their functions .</li> <li>▪ Compare between periosteum and endosteum.</li> <li>▪ List shapes and types of bones</li> <li>▪ Identify spongy and compact bones.</li> <li>▪ Explain the synovial membrane and synovial fluid</li> <li>▪ Differentiate between primary and secondary bones</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Development and growth of bone</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Intramembranous ossification</li> <li>- Endochondral ossification</li> </ul>	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Explain who intramembranous ossification takes place and list type of bone formed by this process.</li> <li>▪ Explain how intramembranous ossification takes place and list the type of bone formed by this process.</li> <li>▪ Enumerate and distinguish the different zones of epiphyseal cartilage.</li> </ul>

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<b><u>Muscular tissue</u></b> - Characteristics of muscle tissues - Types of muscle tissues - Skeletal muscle - Organization of skeletal muscle - Sarcomere	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Characteristics of muscle tissues</li> <li>▪ Classify the types of muscle tissues</li> <li>▪ Identify skeletal muscle</li> <li>▪ Discuss organization of skeletal muscle</li> <li>▪ Define Sarcomere</li> <li>▪ Explain striation of skeletal muscle</li> </ul>
<b><u>Muscular tissue (2)</u></b> - Cardiac muscle - Smooth muscle - Regeneration of muscle tissue	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Identify cardiac muscle</li> <li>▪ Distinguish smooth muscle, and cardiac muscle</li> <li>▪ Explain regeneration of muscle tissue</li> <li>▪</li> </ul>
<b><u>Nervous tissue</u></b> - Definition - Types of nerve cells - Structure of a neuron - Synapse - Classification of neurons	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Definition of neurons</li> <li>▪ Classification of neurons</li> <li>▪ Explain the structure of a neuron</li> <li>▪ Identification of synapses</li> </ul>
<b><u>Neuroglia (Glial cells)</u></b> - Definition - The main functions Types of neuroglial cells	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Definition of neuroglia</li> <li>▪ Classification of neuroglia cells</li> </ul>
<b><u>Introduction to Genetic- Laws of Mendel's</u></b>  - Some terms used in genetics - Mendel's first law - Law of independent assortment	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Define genetic terms</li> <li>Study Mendel's laws</li> </ul>
<b><u>Mode of Mendel's inheritance</u></b> - Patterns of Mendelian - Inheritance and single-gene disorders Autosomal dominant pattern of inheritance - Autosomal recessive pattern of inheritance - X-linked Dominant pattern of inheritance - X-linked recessive pattern of inheritance - Y Chromosome-linked single-gene disease - Sex influenced-traits - Sex limited-traits	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Application of Mendel's laws &amp; diseases</li> </ul>

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<p><b><u>Extensions and Exceptions to Mendel's Laws</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Incomplete dominance</li> <li>-Codominant</li> <li>-Multiple alleles</li> <li>-Gene interaction</li> <li>-Variable expressivity and Incomplete Penetrance</li> <li>-Modifier or dominance modification</li> <li>-Lethal gene</li> <li>-Pleiotropy</li> </ul>	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Students will learn that there are exceptions to genetics, so students will learn about non-Mendelian genetics</li> <li>▪ Explain incomplete dominance and codominance (compare and contrast ,giving examples about each of non-Mendelian genetics</li> <li>▪ Define multiple alleles, lethal and modifier genes and pleiotropy and give examples for each</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Extensions and Exceptions to Mendel's Laws</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Polygenic inheritance (Continuous variation)</li> <li>-Linkage and crossover</li> <li>-Gene mapping</li> <li>-Maternal inheritance and mitochondrial gene</li> <li>-Phenocopies</li> </ul>	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Explain what it means for two genes to be linked. How does this affect the way those genes are transmitted to offspring?</li> <li>▪ Explain the role of crossing over in creating recombinant offspring.</li> <li>▪ determine the distance in map units between two genes, given offspring data.</li> <li>▪ Explain the relationship between the relative distance of genes are apart from each other on a chromosome.</li> <li>▪ Explain polygenic inheritance and give examples of polygenic inheritance in humans.</li> <li>▪ Describe epistasis and give an example.</li> <li>▪ Explain the types and purpose of the genetic map</li> <li>▪ How does crossing over contribute to the construction of a gene map?</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Molecular genetic</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Experiments identify and describe the genetic material</li> <li>-DNA structure (Watson and Crick model of DNA)</li> <li>-Types of DNA</li> <li>-Replication of DNA</li> </ul>	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Review the experiments that established DNA as the genetic material</li> <li>▪ Explain the DNA structure: number of strands, polarity (5'-3'), complementary strands and their anti-parallel nature.</li> <li>▪ Explain the steps for DNA replication: strand separation, name of the protein enzyme, pairing of complementary nucleotides and termination.</li> <li>▪ Distinguish between the DNA template strand and the new strand.</li> </ul>

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		<p>In what direction is the new strand made?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compare and contrast the leading and lagging newly synthesized DNA strands: which is continuously made and which is discontinuously made?</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>The structure and functions of RNAs</u></b></p> <p>-Structure of RNA -Levels of RNA -Types and Functions of RNA -Transcription -processes and splicing of mRNA</p>	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Define the structure of RNA.</li> <li>Contrast RNA and DNA.</li> <li>List the types of RNA and explain their functions</li> <li>Explain the process of transcription</li> <li>Explain how the immature mRNA is modified and spliced</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Genetic code &amp; protein synthesis</u></b></p> <p>-Genetic code (codon) -Protein synthesis (translation) -Synthesis of proteins on rough endoplasmic reticulum (RER) -Gene regulation -Genetic bases of cancer</p>	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify the genetic code and explain how it is read.</li> <li>Summarize the process of translation on the free and attached ribosome to RER.</li> <li>Explain how most eukaryotic genes are regulated.</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Gene mutation</u></b></p> <p>- Classification of mutation according to their effects and chemical changes</p>	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Define mutations and describe how each type of mutation can cause a phenotypic change.</li> <li>List and distinguish between the different types of mutations that result in phenotypic change.</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Genetic engineering</u></b></p> <p>-Introduction -Recombinant DNA technology -Cloning genes of eukaryotes -Polymerase chain reaction (PCR). -Application of genetic engineering</p>	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe common DNA technology techniques</li> <li>Identify how each technique is used to study or manipulate the genomes of organisms</li> <li>Describe the process of inserting a gene into a plasmid to form recombinant DNA.</li> <li>List and describe the processes that can be used to insert recombinant DNA molecules into cells.</li> <li>Describe how a sample of DNA can be amplified in a test tube using the process of PCR.</li> <li>Basic steps of cloning gene in eukaryotes</li> <li>Understanding of medical applications of recombinant DNA technology and genetic engineering.</li> </ul>

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<b><u>Gene repair</u></b> -DNA damage -DNA repair mechanisms	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ How cells identify</li><li>▪ Correct DNA damage, Factors affecting DNA damage</li></ul>
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