

**Biology 12 – Unit O – Human Biology**  
**Urinary system: Excretory and Endocrine system**

**Chapter 16**

**A. Chapter Review**

1. What does excretion do for the body and why is this important?

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2. What are the 4 nitrogenous waste products that are excreted by the kidney?

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3. How is ammonia formed? Urea is formed from what 2 molecules? What nitrogenous molecule will be excreted by many terrestrial animals? What happens when uric acid crystals collect in the joints?

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4. What are bile pigments derived from? Trace the flow of bile. How does jaundice occur?

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5. List 3 reasons why excretion of certain ions (salts) from the blood is important. What is the role of calcium, iron, and sodium ions?

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6. How is carbon dioxide excreted? What fluid helps to determine blood pressure?

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7. Name the organ of excretion that: A) Has sweat glands that aid in cooling the body. B) Excretes bile pigments that are stored in the gallbladder. C) Removes carbon dioxide and water. D) Excretes iron and calcium via defecation. E) Rids the body of urine. What pigment derived from heme is found in urine?

- A) \_\_\_\_\_  
B) \_\_\_\_\_  
C) \_\_\_\_\_  
D) \_\_\_\_\_  
E) \_\_\_\_\_

8. List the organs of the urinary system and give their functions.

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9. What are the 3 major regions of a kidney? What are the conical masses of tissue in the medulla called?

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10. Name the microscopic unit of the kidney. How many of these units are there per kidney?

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11. List the 5 parts of each nephron. Which parts are found in the cortex? In the pyramids?

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12. What are the 2 capillary regions of each nephron called? Where are they found?

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13. State the 3 steps that are involved in urine formation in the nephron.

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14. Under the influence of glomerular blood pressure, \_\_\_\_\_ molecules move from the \_\_\_\_\_ to the inside of the \_\_\_\_\_. This is a pressure \_\_\_\_\_ process because \_\_\_\_\_ molecules and formed elements are unable to pass through. The \_\_\_\_\_ contains small dissolved molecules in approximately the same concentration as the \_\_\_\_\_.

15. What are the 2 factors that aid in the movement of water molecules by passive reabsorption?

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16. Name the 2 anatomical features in the proximal convoluted tubule that contribute to active reabsorption and state why they are important.

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17. Why is reabsorption by active transport said to be selective?

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18. What happens when the blood glucose level goes beyond the maximal rate of transport, as in diabetes mellitus?

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19. Define tubular excretion. Where does it occur? Is it an active or passive process? List 5 substances that are excreted.

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20. Excretion of a hypertonic urine is dependent upon what 2 segments of the nephron?

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21. Compare the movements of salt and water in the thick portion of the ascending limb of the loop of Henle.

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22. Define the countercurrent mechanism. What does it ensure?

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23. How does the collecting duct create urine that is hypertonic to blood plasma?

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24. If the blood is acidic, what ions will be excreted and reabsorbed to restore the pH? If blood is basic?

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25. Blood volume is primarily maintained by which hormone? Where is this hormone produced?

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When ADH is present, more \_\_\_\_\_ is reabsorbed and a \_\_\_\_\_ amount of urine results.

26. How does alcohol cause diuresis? What are diuretics used for?

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27. What hormone maintains sodium and potassium ion balance? Where and how does this hormone act?

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28. Describe what happens if the blood pressure is insufficient to promote efficient filtration. What is the role of rennin? What does ACE inhibitor do?

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29. Name the infection (or condition) if it occurs within the: Urethra? The bladder? The kidneys? With urea accumulation in the urine?

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30. Which condition is of greatest concern: uremia or retention of water and salts? Why?

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31. If a satisfactory donor cannot be found for a kidney transplant, what alternative treatments can be used?

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32. Define dialysis. Describe how hemodialysis is achieved.

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\_\_\_\_\_

**B. completion and short answer questions.**

1. Urea is a waste product formed from \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ and is made in the \_\_\_\_\_ and excreted by the \_\_\_\_\_.

2. The large intestines excrete \_\_\_\_\_.

3. The outermost portion of the kidney is called the \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Fill in the missing parts of the nephron as fluid travels through the nephron: Bowman's capsule → \_\_\_\_\_ → loop of Henle → \_\_\_\_\_ → collecting tube.

5. Glucose reabsorption primarily occurs in the \_\_\_\_\_ portion of the nephron.

6. Name a substance that is filtered, maximally reabsorbed, and still in the urine. \_\_\_\_\_

7. Glucose is not normally found in the urine; it is usually totally reabsorbed by means of \_\_\_\_\_.

8. When ADH is present, there is increased \_\_\_\_\_ reabsorption but a decrease in \_\_\_\_\_ volume.

9. What substance(s) do these organs excrete?

a) sweat glands: \_\_\_\_\_

b) lungs: \_\_\_\_\_

c) liver: \_\_\_\_\_

d) kidneys: \_\_\_\_\_

e) large intestines: \_\_\_\_\_

10. complete this table of nitrogenous waste products.

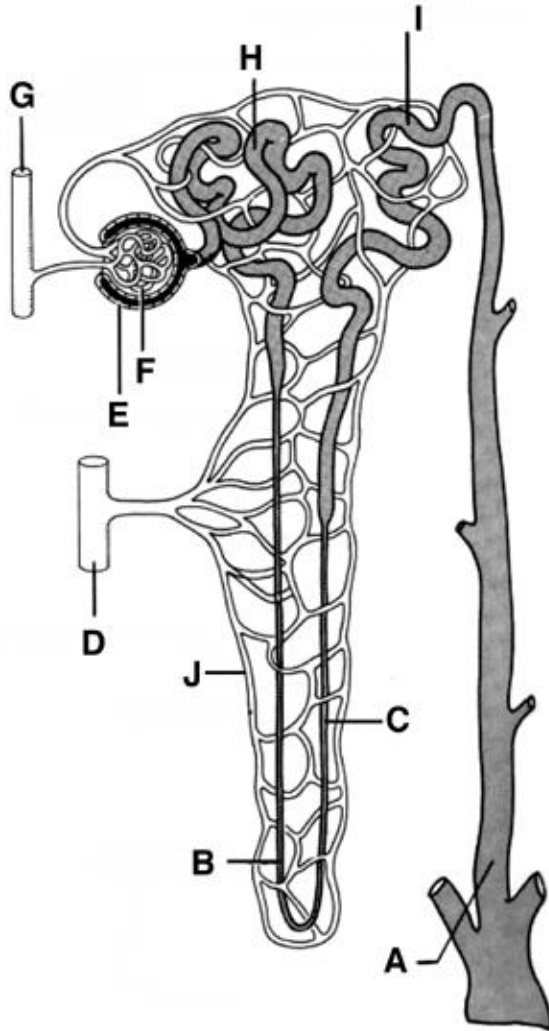
Nitrogenous Waste	Derived from
a. Urea	
b. Creatinine	
c. Uric acid	

11. List the organs of the urinary system in sequence according to the path taken by urine.

\_\_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_\_

12. Macroscopically, the kidney is composed of three parts: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_.

13. Label the important parts of the nephron in the diagram shown below.



- A. \_\_\_\_\_
- B. \_\_\_\_\_
- C. \_\_\_\_\_
- D. \_\_\_\_\_
- E. \_\_\_\_\_
- F. \_\_\_\_\_
- G. \_\_\_\_\_
- H. \_\_\_\_\_
- I. \_\_\_\_\_
- J. \_\_\_\_\_

14. The two capillary regions found in each nephron are the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ capillaries.

15. The patient's blood carries impurities as it enters the chamber of the artificial kidney. As it passes through the chamber of the artificial kidney, the impurities pass out of the blood. The blood then exits with no nitrogenous wastes left. What should be the makeup of the solution that enters the chamber of the artificial kidney? \_\_\_\_\_

16. When the amino group (-NH) from an amino acid is removed, the process is termed \_\_\_\_\_

17. Filterable Blood Components: Nutrients (glucose, amino acids); nitrogenous wastes (urea, uric acid); ions (salts); water.

Nonfilterable Blood Components: Formed elements (RBC, WBC, etc.); proteins.

a) Which of these portions will enter into the Bowman's capsule and be called the filtrate?  
\_\_\_\_\_.

b) Which of the molecules in the filtrate will tend to be selectively reabsorbed? \_\_\_\_\_

c) Which of the molecules in the filtrate will tend to not be reabsorbed? \_\_\_\_\_

d) Name a substance that undergoes tubular excretion. \_\_\_\_\_

18. Explain why albumin is not normally found in the urine. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

19. The small capillary network within the confines of the Bowman's capsule is called the \_\_\_\_\_.

20. Place an x in the box opposite the component of blood if it is associated with the structure, process or substance listed vertically.

Components of blood	Afferent arteriole	Filtrate	Efferent arteriole	Reabsorption	Tubular excretion	Urine	Venous blood
Plasma proteins							
RBC							
WBC							
Glucose							
Amino acids							
Sodium chloride							
Water							
Urea							
Uric acid							
Penicillin							

21. The solution produced when blood is filtered through the walls of the glomerulus and the Bowman's capsule is called the \_\_\_\_\_.

22. The force that causes filtration to occur in the glomerulus is called the \_\_\_\_\_

Match the functions below with the following correct structure: a. glomerulus b. Bowman's capsule c. renal cortex d. loop of Henle e. collecting duct

23. \_\_\_\_\_ extends into the medulla

24. \_\_\_\_\_ a tuft of capillaries

25. \_\_\_\_\_ variably permeable to water

26. \_\_\_\_\_ region of afferent/efferent arterioles

27. \_\_\_\_\_ blind end of the proximal convoluted tubule

### C. Multiple choice questions

28. In which of the following would you find urine?

- a. uterus      b. urethra      c. intestine      d. gallbladder      e. hepatic portal vein

29. Pressure filtration should be associated with the  
 a. Bowman's capsule      b. distal convoluted tubule      c. proximal convoluted tubule  
 d. collecting duct      e. loop of Henle
30. Glucose  
 a. is in the filtrate and urine      b. is in the filtrate and not in the urine  
 c. undergoes tubular excretion and is in the urine      d. Undergoes tubular excretion and is not in the urine
31. The collecting ducts are primarily found in the  
 a. cortex      b. medulla      c. pelvis      d. afferent arteriole
32. Which of the following describes the contents of the renal vein that leaves the kidney?  
 a. low in O<sub>2</sub>, low in urea      b. high in CO<sub>2</sub>, high in urea      c. high in O<sub>2</sub>, high in urea  
 d. low in CO<sub>2</sub>, high in urea
33. Kidneys are organs of homeostasis because they  
 a. regulate the blood volume      b. regulate the pH of the blood  
 c. help maintain the correct concentration of ions in the blood      d. excrete nitrogenous wastes  
 e. All of the above are true
34. Sodium is removed from the kidney tubule by  
 a. passive reabsorption      b. active reabsorption      c. an attraction to Cl<sup>-</sup>  
 d. tubular excretion
35. The region around the top of the loop of Henle has a(n)  
 a. very low solute concentration      b. intermediate solute concentration  
 c. very high solute concentration      d. very high water concentration
36. Which of the following is *not* a true statement?  
 a. People with kidney disease often have high blood pressure  
 b. Kidney failure involves damage to the glomeruli  
 c. Failure of the kidney to maintain proper body pH is more serious than uremia  
 d. sugar in the urine indicates kidney disease  
 e. protein in the urine indicates kidney disease

**D. True (T) or false (F) Question**

If you believe the statement to be false then rewrite the statement as a true one.

37. A person who lacks ADH has too much urine.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ Restatement: \_\_\_\_\_  
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38. Drinking alcohol causes diuresis because it increases ADH secretion.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ Restatement: \_\_\_\_\_  
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39. The hormone ADH is released from the adrenal cortex, whereas aldosterone is released from the posterior pituitary.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ Restatement: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

40. The juxtaglomerular apparatus will release the hormone rennin whenever there is a decrease in the blood pressure.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ Restatement: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

41. The upper portion of the ascending loop of Henle actively transports salt out but is impermeable to water.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_ Restatement: \_\_\_\_\_

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**E. Subjective chapter test**

42. In both defecation and excretion, waste products are eliminated from the body. What is the difference, then, between the two terms?

43. Explain the relationship between the structure and function of the proximal convoluted tubule.