

#### **Bacteria Quiz**

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## 1. What does Tim mean when he says bacteria are the most abundant form of life on earth?

- a. They're the smallest form of life on earth
- b. They're the most commonplace form of life on earth
- c. They're the most diverse form of life on earth
- d. They're the most specialized form of life on earth

#### 2. What do all bacteria have in common?

- a. They all have cell nuclei.
- b. They're all multi-cellular organisms.
- c. They're all single-celled organisms.
- d. They can all be found inside the human body.

## 3. How did bacteria make complex life on Earth possible?

- a. By releasing oxygen into the atmosphere
- b. By destroying life-inhibiting volcanoes
- c. By evolving rapidly into multi-celled organisms
- d. All of the above

## 4. What might happen if you didn't have bacteria in your digestive tract?

- a. Your intestines would shut down
- b. Your body couldn't break down certain types of food
- c. You would never get sick
- d. You wouldn't be able to eat vegetables

# 5. Nitrogen-fixing bacteria help plants thrive. What do nitrogen-fixing bacteria do?

- a. Absorb harmful nitrogen from the bodies of plants
- b. Absorb nitrogen in the soil before it harms plants
- c. Convert nitrogen in the soil into a form that plants can absorb
- d. Transform nitrogen into carbon dioxide

### 6. Which of the following is a true statement about bacteria?

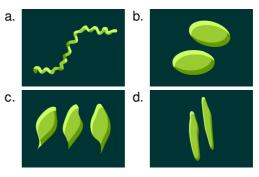
- a. Bacteria exist in only a few environments on earth
- b. Bacteria can grow to extremely large sizes
- c. Most bacteria are harmful to humans
- d. Bacteria can be both harmful and helpful to humans

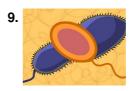


### What effect do antibiotics have on bacteria?

- a. They help bacteria grow in size
- b. They prevent bacteria from digesting food
- c. They destroy bacteria
- d. They help bacteria reproduce

## 8. Which of the following depicts one of the most common forms of bacteria?





What term best describes the function of flagella in bacteria?

- a. Locomotion
- b. Digestion
- c. Absorption
- d. Reproduction

## 10. How are bacterial cells different from plant and animal cells?

- a. Bacterial cells contain many more cell organelles.
- b. Bacterial cells contain almost no cell organelles.
- c. Bacterial cells have more complex cell organelles.
- d. Bacterial cells have well-defined nuclei.