

Evaluate: Biodiversity and Evolution SCA 2

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Section 1: Matching Vocabulary (10 points)

Match the word with its definition by writing the correct letter in the blank.

1. ____ **Bottleneck Effect**
2. ____ **Anatomical Homology**
3. ____ **Environmental Conditions**
4. ____ **Mutation**
5. ____ **Genetic Drift**

Definitions:

- A. Physical structures shared by different species because they have a common ancestor.
- B. A big drop in population size that reduces genetic variety in a species.
- C. Factors like climate, food, and water that affect where plants and animals can live.
- D. A random change in the frequency of traits in a population, especially in small populations.
- E. A change in DNA that can introduce new traits.

Section 2: Multiple Choice (16 points)

Circle the correct answer for each question.

6. **Which is an example of stasis?**
 - A. A population developing many new traits quickly.
 - B. A species staying mostly the same for a long time.
 - C. Animals competing for food.
 - D. New species appearing suddenly in the fossil record.
7. **What is the bottleneck effect?**
 - A. A decrease in genetic variety due to a population shrinking.
 - B. The mixing of genes between populations.
 - C. The struggle between organisms for food and space.
 - D. A type of natural selection favoring average traits.

8. Which factor helps species survive environmental changes?

- A. Having no variation in traits.
- B. A big drop in population size.
- C. Adaptations that fit the new environment.
- D. Lack of competition for resources.

9. What is stabilizing selection?

- A. Natural selection favoring extreme traits over average ones.
- B. Natural selection favoring average traits.
- C. A random change in the frequency of traits.
- D. A type of selection that causes new species to form.

10. What happens when gene flow occurs?

- A. Species migrate to new environments.
- B. Genes move between populations, increasing variety.
- C. Mutations spread through a population.
- D. All members of a species develop the same traits.

11. What is an example of biogeography?

- A. Fossils showing a common ancestor for many species.
- B. Animals on islands having unique traits not found elsewhere.
- C. Random changes in traits within a population.
- D. Plants and animals living in the same area competing for resources.

12. What does gradualism describe?

- A. Evolution happening quickly in short bursts.
- B. Evolution happening slowly over a long time.
- C. Random changes in traits in small populations.
- D. The process of traits mixing during reproduction.

13. How does genetic recombination affect evolution?

- A. It creates new combinations of traits during reproduction.
 - B. It reduces the variety of traits in a population.
 - C. It causes traits to disappear randomly.
 - D. It stops evolution from happening.
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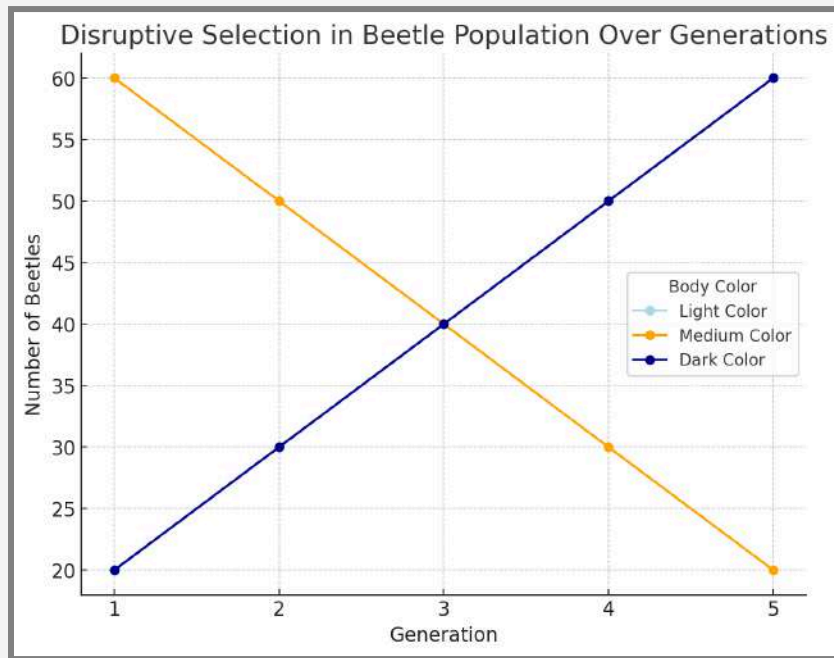
Section 3: Short Constructed Response (4 points each)

Answer the following questions.

1. Describe how environmental conditions might cause a population to grow, create a new species, or go extinct.

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3. The table below shows the number of beetles with different body colors in a population over five generations. In this environment, predators easily spot beetles with medium body color, but both very light and very dark beetles are harder for predators to see.

Generation	Light Color	Medium Color	Dark Color
1	20 beetles	60 beetles	20 beetles
2	30 beetles	50 beetles	30 beetles
3	40 beetles	40 beetles	40 beetles
4	50 beetles	30 beetles	50 beetles
5	60 beetles	20 beetles	60 beetles

**Question:**

Based on the data in the table, explain how disruptive selection is affecting the beetle population. Which body colors are favored, and why?