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**1.** All chemical reactions that take place in a cell to support its survival and function is the definition of which of the following?

- A. Communication
- B. Metabolism
- C. Repair, remodeling, and regeneration
- D. None of the above

## What Causes Alzheimer's Disease?

2. Early-onset dominantly inherited Alzheimer's disease always runs in families.

- A. True
- B. False

#### How is Alzheimer's Disease Treated?

3. Which drug appears to work by blocking receptors for glutamate?

- A. Donepezil
- B. Rivastigmine
- C. Galantamine
- D. Memantine

## New Neuropathological Criteria for Alzheimer's Disease

4. The brains of many cognitively normal older individuals contain significant amounts of amyloid plaque.

A. True

B. False

## How Tau Pathology May Spread in the Alzheimer's Brain

#### 5. Tangles appear in which order?

- A. Cerebral cortex, hippocampus, entorhinal cortex
- B. Hippocampus, cerebral cortex, entorhinal cortex
- C. Entorhinal cortex, hippocampus, cerebral cortex
- D. Entorhinal cortex, cerebral cortex, hippocampus

## Working Memory Loss in Normal Aging

- 6. Research now shows that multitasking boosts working memory performance.
- A. True
- B. False

## The Genetics of Alzheimer's Disease

- 7. Which allele increases the risk for Alzheimer's disease?
- A. APOE epsilon 2
- B. APOE epsilon 3
- C. APOE epsilon 4
- D. None of the above

## **Brain Variability and Alzheimer's Disease**

- 8. Tests of insulin resistance may help predict Alzheimer's risk.
- A. True
- B. False

## **Beta-Amyloid Imaging**

9. The use of PiB imaging is largely restricted to major research centers due to PiB's short half-life of \_\_\_\_\_, therefore needing to be made onsite.

A. 20 minutes

B. 45 minutes

## **Sensory Changes**

10. Loss of which sense is often an early symptom in Alzheimer's disease?

- A. Hearing
- B. Sight
- C. Smell
- D. Taste

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