

The World of Vines and Grapes

Viticulture · Practice Test · 20 Questions

1. What is the scientific term for the study and cultivation of grapevines?

- A) Horticulture
- B) Viticulture
- C) Floriculture
- D) Pomology

2. Which part of the grapevine produces the grapes?

- A) The roots
- B) The trunk
- C) The canes
- D) The leaves

3. What is the process of removing grapes from the vine called?

- A) Harvesting
- B) Pruning
- C) Grafting
- D) Fermentation

4. What are 'vitis vinifera' grapes most commonly known for being used to make?

- A) Jam
- B) Raisins
- C) Wine
- D) Grape juice

5. Which climate is generally considered ideal for growing high-quality wine grapes?

- A) Tropical rainforest
- B) Temperate
- C) Arctic
- D) Desert

6. What is the main purpose of 'pruning' a grapevine during winter?

- A) To change the color of the fruit
- B) To control the shape and growth for the next season
- C) To make the leaves grow faster
- D) To water the roots

7. What do we call the 'skin' of a grape that provides its color?

- A) Pulp
- B) Stem
- C) Bloom
- D) Exocarp

8. What type of soil is often considered excellent for grapevines because it drains water well?

- A) Clay
- B) Silt
- C) Rocky or sandy soil
- D) Peat

9. In which season does the grape harvest usually take place in the Northern Hemisphere?

- A) Spring
- B) Summer
- C) Autumn
- D) Winter

10. What are grapes that are dried specifically to become snacks called?

- A) Currants
- B) Sultanas
- C) Raisins
- D) All of these

11. What is the name of the 'sugar' naturally found in grapes?

- A) Fructose and Glucose
- B) Lactose
- C) Sucrose
- D) Starch

12. Which part of the grape contains the seeds?

- A) The pedicel
- B) The berry
- C) The tendril
- D) The node

13. What is the main reason grapes are trellised (grown on wires or frames)?

- A) To help them reach the sun
- B) To protect them from birds
- C) To keep them off the ground
- D) All of these

14. How long does a grapevine usually take to start producing fruit after being planted?

- A) 1 year
- B) 3 years
- C) 10 years
- D) 20 years

15. What is the name of the 'vines' that grip onto structures to help the plant climb?

- A) Tendrils
- B) Shoots
- C) Trunks
- D) Canes

16. What natural substance often covers the skin of a grape, appearing as a whitish dust?

- A) Pesticide
- B) Bloom
- C) Wax
- D) Pollinators

17. Which continent is believed to be the place where winemaking first began thousands of years ago?

- A) Australia
- B) South America
- C) Asia
- D) North America

18. What do viticulturists call the young, green growth on a vine in the spring?

- A) Shoots
- B) Bark
- C) Rootstock
- D) Canopy

19. What is the primary factor that determines the sweetness of a grape before harvest?

- A) Soil temperature
- B) Sunlight exposure
- C) Wind speed
- D) Rain frequency

20. What is the study of wine making specifically called?

- A) Viticulture
- B) Enology
- C) Agronomy
- D) Botany