# **Blood Vessels Quiz**

#### 1. If blood pressure drops, a negative feedback mechanism causes

- a. increase in capillary blood flow to insure that the cells get oxygen
- b. vasoconstriction
- c. vasodilation
- d. activation of the venous reservoirs

## 2. What is the primary function of capillaries?

- a. to provide blood to various tissues of the body
- b. to dissipate heat from the body
- c. to divert blood away from the skin surface when the skin is exposed to extreme cold

d. the exchange of nutrients and wastes between the blood and body cells through the interstitial fluid

## 3. The property of arteries that contributes to a pressure reserve is the

- a. thick wall of smooth muscle that can be stimulated to change the vessel diameter
- b. elastic recoil of the large arteries
- c. transitional epithelium they contain
- d. stiff walls due to the presence of collagenous fibers

## 4. Endothelium makes up the layer of the arteries called the

- a. tunica externa
- b. tunica adventitia
- c. tunica media
- d. tunica intima

#### 5. Sympathetic nerve impulses reach the heart via

- a. vasomotor nerves
- b. cardiac accelerator nerves
- c. the vagus (X) nerve
- d. sensory afferent nerves

#### 6. The exchange of nutrients and waste products takes place on through the walls of

- a. capillaries
- b. arterioles
- c. arteries
- d. venules

## 7. Peripheral resistance is mainly affected by

- a. elasticity of the heart
- b. length of the myocardial fibers
- c. capacity of the blood reservoirs
- d. blood viscosity and the diameter of the arterioles

# 8. Aldosterone will

- a. result in a larger output of urine
- b. decrease sodium reabsorption
- c. promote a decrease in blood volume
- d. promote an increase in blood volume

# 9. The pulmonary arteries bring \_\_\_\_\_ blood to the \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. oxygen-poor, left atrium
- b. oxygen-rich, alveoli of the lungs
- c. oxygen-poor, alveoli of the lungs
- d. oxygen-rich, left atrium

# 10. The hepatic portal veins bring blood from the gastrointestinal tract to the \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. spleen
- b. liver
- c. heart
- d. kidneys

- **1.** b
- **2.** d
- **3.** b
- **4.** d
- 5. b
- **6.** a
- **7.** d
- **8.** d
- **9.** c
- **10.** b