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Why Does Your Pulse Race? 7th Grade Exercise Physiology Quiz

How does your body adapt to a 400-meter dash? Analyze the mechanics of homeostasis, lactic acid, and cardiac output during physical stress.

1. During a vigorous soccer match, your body maintains homeostasis by increasing your breathing rate. What primary chemical change in the blood triggers this response?

- A. A decrease in nitrogen levels
- B. An increase in carbon dioxide concentration
- C. A sudden drop in body temperature
- D. Increased production of red blood cells

2. When an athlete transitions from a slow jog to a 50-meter max-effort sprint, they shift from using oxygen for energy to the _____ system for immediate power.

- A. Aerobic
- B. Anaerobic
- C. Circulatory
- D. Endocrine

3. Hypertrophy, or the increase in muscle fiber size, is considered an acute response rather than a chronic adaptation.

- A. True
- B. False

4. Vasodilation occurs during exercise when blood vessels near the skin expand. What is the physiological purpose of this change?

- A. To slow down the heart rate
- B. To store more glucose in the liver
- C. To radiate excess heat away from the body
- D. To decrease the amount of oxygen in the blood

5. Stroke volume refers to the amount of blood pumped by the _____ with each individual contraction.

- A. Lungs
- B. Left Ventricle
- C. Arteries
- D. Capillaries

6. A marathon runner often hits 'the wall' when their body runs out of stored glycogen. Which fuel source does the body primarily switch to at this point?

- A. Lactic acid
- B. Bone marrow

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- C. Fatty acids
- D. Carbon dioxide

7. Delayed Onset Muscle Soreness (DOMS) is primarily caused by an accumulation of lactic acid that stays in the muscles for several days.

- A. True
- B. False

8. The measurement of the maximum amount of oxygen an individual can utilize during intense exercise is known as _____.

- A. Cardiac Output
- B. VO2 Max
- C. Vital Capacity
- D. Tidal Volume

9. Which of these is a long-term skeletal adaptation to weight-bearing exercises like dancing or hiking?

- A. Increased bone density
- B. Shortening of the femur
- C. Decreased joint flexibility
- D. Reduction in red blood cell production

10. A lower resting heart rate in a trained athlete is a sign that their heart has become more efficient at pumping blood.

- A. True
- B. False