

**Human Reproductive System Reading Questions**

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**Name:**

**Period:**

**Resource: The Elephant Chapter 43 (p. 934–951)**

1. What is the primary function of the human reproductive system? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Look carefully at Figure 43-3. Describe the function of each labeled structure. \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Draw and label a mature sperm cell. Use Figure 43-4 as a guide.

4. Describe the process by which sperm cells are released. \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Look carefully at Figure 43-5. Write the function of each labeled structure. \_\_\_\_\_

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6. Define *menstrual cycle*.

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7. Describe the events of each of the following phases of the menstrual cycle:

**Follicle Phase:**

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**Ovulation:**

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**Luteal Phase:**

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**Menstruation:**

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8. In which portion of the female reproductive tract does the process of fertilization take place?

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9. Name the primary hormone of the male reproductive system and describe its function.

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10. Name the two primary hormones of the female reproductive system and describe their functions.

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