# **Components of Food**

#### A. Choose the correct answer:

- 1. Which of the following is a disease caused by a deficiency of vitamin C?
  - a) Rickets
  - b) Scurvy
  - c) Night blindness
  - d) Beriberi
- 2. What nutrient deficiency causes weak bones and rickets in children?
  - a) Vitamin A
  - b) Vitamin D
  - c) Iron
  - d) Protein
- 3. Which of the following is a symptom of iron deficiency anemia?
  - a) Weakness and fatigue
  - b) Strong muscles
  - c) Improved vision
  - d) Increased energy levels

#### B. Fill in the Blanks:

- 1. A lack of sufficient iron in the diet can lead to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, a condition that causes fatigue and weakness.
- 2. The deficiency of vitamin A can cause a disease called \_\_\_\_\_\_, which affects vision.
- 3. Protein deficiency in children can lead to a disease known as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, causing swelling and growth problems.

## C. Case Study:

A health researcher, Dr. Ananya, conducted a study on children in a rural area where many were suffering from malnutrition. She observed the following symptoms:

- Some children had swollen bellies, thin arms, and legs, and showed signs of stunted growth.
- Others had weak bones, bowed legs, and difficulty walking.
- A few children had pale skin, felt constantly tired, and lacked energy.

Dr. Ananya collected data and found that:

- The children with swollen bellies were lacking protein in their diet.
- The children with weak bones had vitamin D deficiency.
- The children with pale skin and fatigue were suffering from iron deficiency anemia.

#### **Questions & Answers:**

- 1. What were the three main health problems observed in the children?
- 2. Which nutrient deficiency caused weak bones and difficulty walking?
- 3. What dietary suggestions could help improve the health of these children?
- 4. Why is protein important for children's growth and development?

## **D. Short Answer Questions:**

- 1. What are some common diseases caused by nutritional deficiencies?
- 2. How does iron deficiency affect the human body?
- 3. Why is a balanced diet important for good health?

## E. Long Answer Questions:

- 1. Explain how different vitamin and mineral deficiencies affect the human body with examples.
- 2. What are the causes and symptoms of protein-energy malnutrition, and how can it be prevented?
- 3. Describe the importance of a balanced diet and how it can prevent nutritional deficiency diseases.