# **BIOLOGY NOTES**

## FORM 1 SIMPLIFIED VERSION

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## **INTRODUCTION TO BIOLOGY**

✓ Biology is the branch of science that deals with the study of living things. In Greek, Bios means life while Logos means knowledge.

## **Branches of biology**

There are two main branches:

- 1. Botany: Study of plants
- 2. Zoology: Study of animals

#### The others include:

**1.Ecology:** Study of living things in their surroundings.

- 2. Genetics: The study of inheritance and variation.
- 3. Entomology: Study of insects
- 4. **Parasitology:** Study of parasites
- **5. Taxonomy:** Study of classification of organisms
- 6. Microbiology: Study of microscopic organisms
- 7. Anatomy: Study of structure of cells
- **8.** Cytology: Study of cells
- 9. Biochemistry: Study of chemical changes inside living organisms

#### **Question**

Name at least six other smaller branches of biology (6 marks).

#### **Importance of Biology**

- *1.***Solving environmental problems** e.g. Food shortage, poor health services, pollution, misuse of environmental resources etc.
- **2. Choice of careers e.g.** Medicine, Agriculture, public health, Veterinary, Animal husbandry, Horticulture, Dentistry etc.
- **3. Acquiring scientific skills** e.g. observing, identifying, recording, classification, measuring, analyzing, evaluating etc.
- **4. International co-operation**e.g. Development of HIV\AIDS vaccine, fight against severe Acute respiratory Syndrome (SARS), fight to save ozone layer from depletion, management of resources through international depletion.

#### **Others**

- Help on study of other subjects
- Learn what living things are made up of and their bodies work
- Acquire knowledge about plant and animal diseases and their treatment.
- Know the effects of our bodies on drug and substance abuse and can kill
- Learn about HIV\AIDS diseases and other viral diseases e.g. its treatment—balanced diets, proper hygiene, spreading, sexual behavior, cultural practices etc.

#### Question

List five professional occupations that require the study of biology. (5 marks)

### **Characteristics of living things;**

- *1*. **Nutrition:** Process by which living things acquire and utilize nutrients: plants photosynthesize; animals feed on already manufactured foods.
- 2. Respiration: energy-producing process occurring in all the cells of living things.
- **3. Gaseous Exchange:** where living things take in air (oxygen) and give out air(carbon iv oxide) across respiratory surfaces.
- *4.* **Excretion:** Process by which waste or harmful materials resulting from chemical reactions within cells of living things are eliminated. Excess of such materials poison living things.
- **5. Growth and Development: Growth** –is the irreversible increase in size and Mass.—Essential for body function. **Development**–Irreversible change in complexity of the structure of living things.
- 6. Reproduction: Process by which living things give rise to new individuals of the same kind.
- 7. **Irritability:** Is the ability of living things to perceive changes in their surroundings and respond to them appropriately. E.g. reaction to changes in temperature, humidity, light, pressure and to the presence of certain chemicals.
- 8. Movement: Change in position by either a part or the whole living thing. Locomotion Progressive change in position by the whole living thing. In animals, movement include; swimming, walking, running, flying. In plants, closing of leaves, folding of leaves, closing of flowers, growing of shoots towards light etc.

#### <u>Question</u>

*l*.List four uses of energy obtained from the process of respiration.(4 marks).*2*.List six characteristics of living things(6 marks).

#### **Collection of specimens**

#### Apparatus used

- **1.Sweep net:** for catching flying insects.
- 2. Fish net: For trapping small fish and other small water animals.
- **3. Pooter:** For sucking small animals from rock surfaces and tree barks.
- 4. Bait trap: For attracting and trapping small animals e.g. rats.
- 5. Pit fall trap: For catching crawling animals.
- 6. Pair of forceps: picking up small crawling animals e.g. stinging insects.
- 7. Specimen bottles: keeping collected specimen. Larger specimens require large bottles.
- 8. The magnifying lens: Instrument used to enlarge objects. Lenses are found in microscope and the hand lens (magnifier). Its frame is marked e.g. x8 or x10—indicating how much larger will be the image compared to object.

#### **Precautions during Collection and Observation of specimens**

- Collect only the number of specimen you need.
- Do not harm the specimens during the capture or collection exercise.
- Handle dangerous or injurious specimens with care e.g. stinging plants or insects i.e. use forceps or hand gloves.
- The teacher will immobilize highly mobile animals. (diethyl ether, formalin, chloroform)
- Donot destroy the natural habitat of the specimens. Comparison between plants and animals

Plants	Animals
1. Green in colour( have chlorophyll)	<ol> <li>Lack chlorophyll thus feed on readymade food.</li> </ol>
2. Their cells have cellulose cell walls.	2. Cells lack cellulose cell walls.
3. Respond slowly to changes in the environment.	3. Respond quickly.
4. Lack specialized excretory organs.	4. Have complex excretory organs.
5. Do not move about.	5. Move about in search of food and water.
6. Growth occurs in shoot and root tips.(apicalgrowth)	6.Growth occurs in all body parts9intercalary growth).

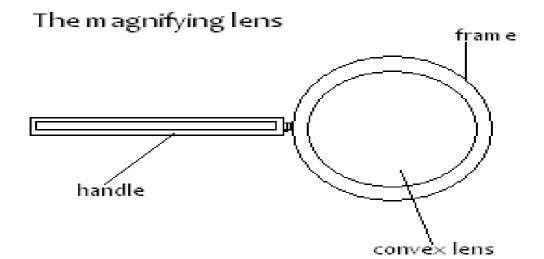
# **CLASSIFICATION I**

## **INTRODUCTION**

- $\checkmark$  Living things are also known as living organisms.
- ✓ Organisms (forms of life) have distinguishing characteristics and therefore are grouped. **The**

#### Magnifying lens

 $\checkmark$  -Is used for enlarging small objects.



#### **Procedure of its use**

place the object on the bench.

- Move the hand lens from the object to the eye.
- An enlarged image is seen.

Drawing magnification = Length of the drawing/ drawing Length Length of the object/Actual Length

(Diagram)

## **EXTERNAL FEATURES OF PLANTS AND ANIMALS**

#### **External features of plants**

- *i)* Rhizoids as in moss plant.
- *ii)* Fronds in ferns.
- **<u>iii</u>**) Roots, stems, leave, flowers, seeds, fruits, and cones in higher plants.

#### **External features of animals**

- **<u>i</u>** Tentacles in hydra
- *ii)* Feathers in birds
- <u>iii)</u> Shells in snails
- **<u>iv</u>**) Wings in birds
- **v)** Fur and hair in mammals
- *vi)* Scales and fins in fish
- *vii)* Proglotids in tapeworms
- **<u>viii</u>**) Mammary glands in mammals
- **ix)** Locomotory Structures e.g. limbs in insects
- **<u>x</u>**) Body pigmentation

#### Practical activity 1

To collect and observe animal specimens To collect and observe plant specimens

## What is classification?

- Is an area of biology that deals with the grouping of living organisms according to their structure.

Organisms with similar structures are put under one group referred to as a taxon—taxa (plural).

The groupings also consider evolutionary relationships (phylogeny)—since all living organisms had a common origin at one time.

Taxonomy—Science of classification. Taxonomist—Biologist who studies taxonomy.

#### Need for classification. Reasons

1. To identify living organisms into their correct groups for reference and study

- **2.** To bring together living organisms with similar characteristics but separate those with different features.
- **3.** To arrange information of living organisms in an orderly manner. This avoids chaos and confusion.
- 4. To understand the evolutionary relationship between different organisms

#### **Diversity of Living Organisms**

- Organisms with similar characteristics are placed under one group called taxon (taxa).
- The science of classification is known as **taxonomy**.
- Biologists who study taxonomy are called **taxonomists**.

#### **Historical Background of Classification**

- Long time ago classification was artificial where living things were classified as either plants or animals.
- Plants were classified as herbs, shrubs and trees.
- Animals were further divided into carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.
- Today modern classification uses evolutionary relationships between living organisms.

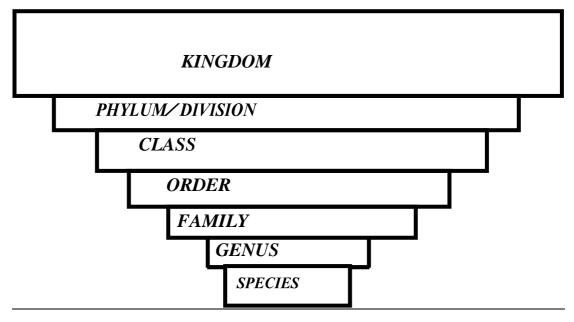
#### **Taxonomic Units**

Are groups (taxa) into which organisms are placed as a matter of convenience. Groups are based on observable characteristics common in the group.

In a classification scheme (taxonomic units or groups, a hierarchy of groups are recognized starting with

the first largest and highest group; the Kingdom to the smallest and lowest unit; the species.

There are 7 major taxonomic units.



#### The Kingdom

There are five Kingdoms of living organisms, namely:

1.Kingdom Monera: bacteria

- 2. Kingdom protoctista: algae, protozoa, amoeba, paramecium
- 3. Kingdom Fungi: Moulds, Yeast, Mushrooms
- 4. Kingdom Plantae: Moss plants, ferns, maize, garden pea, pine, meru oak, bean etc.

5 Kingdom Animalia: hydra, tapeworms, bees, human beings etc.

A kingdom is divided into Phyla in animals or divisions in plants and sorts out organisms based on body plan and form.

Plan is the adaptation to a special way of life.

- The **Class** is further divided into small groups; **Orders** using structural features. Orders are divided **into families** using structural features, then Families into **Genera** (singular genus) –based on recent common ancestral features that are less adaptive. Genus is divided into **species** i.e. kind of plant, or animal.
- Down the hierarchy, the number of organisms in each group decreases but their similarities increases.
- The Species group members naturally interbreed to produce fertile off springs. Minor differences are exhibited in the species groups e.g. on colour of the skin in human beings and varieties of plants.

The groups of the species are termed to as varieties, races or strains. Classification of A human being

and a maize plant

Taxonomic unit	Human being	maize	bean
kingdom	Animalia	plantae	plantae
Phylum or division	Chordata	Angiospermaphyta	Angiospermae
class	Mammalia	monocotyledonae	Dicotyledonae
order	Primates	Graminales	Rosales
family	Hominidae	Graminaceae	Leguminosae
genus	homo	zea	Phaseolus
species	sapiens	mays	Vulgaris
Scientific name	Homo sapiens	Zea mays	phaseolus vulgaris

#### **Scientific Naming Of Living Organisms**

Present naming was developed by carolus Linnaeus 18<sup>th</sup> c, where organisms were given 2 names in Latin language.

Living organisms have their scientific names and common names i.e. local or vernacular names. Scientific naming uses the double naming system—**Binomial system**.

In binomial system, an organism is given both the **genus** and **species** name.

**Binomial nomenclature** (Double – naming system)-Is the assigning of scientific names to living organisms governed by a definite set of rules recognized internationally.

## **Principles of binomial nomenclature**

*a*) The first, genus name, should begin with a capital letter and the second name, species, should begin or written in small letters e.g.

Lion----- Panthera leo

Leopard ----- Panthera pardus

Domestic dog ----- Canis farmiliaris

Human being ----- Homo sapiens

Maize plant---Zea mays

Lion and Leopard are closely related ---Same genus but distantly related—different species.

- *b*) The scientific names must be printed in italics in textbooks and where hand written to be underlined e.g. Pantheraleo.
- *c)* The specific name (species) is frequently written with the name of the scientist who first adequately described and named the organism e.g.Phaseolus vulgaris
- i.e. Vulgaris is the scientist who described and named the bean plant.
- *d*) Biologists should give a Latinized name for a newly described an imal or plant species where Latin name is missing e.g.

Meladogyne kikuyuensis – Is a scientific name of a nematode from kikuyu.

Aloe kilifiensis --- A member of Aloeceae family from Kilifi discovery. Garinsoga parviflora waweruensis --- a member of Macdonald eye family discovered by Waweru

### Study Question 1 Complete the table below

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Taxon	Lion	Domestic	Gardenpea	Napier
		dog		grass
kingdom				
Phylum/division				
class				
order				
family				
genus				
species				

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Scientific name

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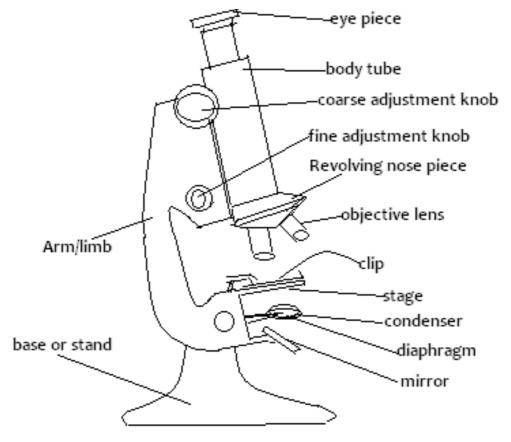
# THE CELL

## **Introduction**

- The cell is the basic unit of an organism.
- All living organisms are made up of cells.
- Some organisms are made up of one cell and others are said to be multicellular.
- Other organisms are made of many cells and are said to be multicellular.
- Cells are too little to see with the naked eye.
- They can only be seen with the aid of a microscope.

## The microscope

The microscope is used to magnify objects.



### The light microscope

<b>Microscope</b>	Parts	&	<b>Function</b>

1. Eyepiece	Contains a magnifying lens that focuses the image from the objective into your eye.	
2. Course Adjust	For focusing under low magnification	
3. Fine Adjust	For focusing under high magnification or low	
4. Low Power Obj	ective	For large specimens or overview
5. High Power Ob	ejective For detailed viewing or small specimens	
6. Specimen on gla slide	lass What you want to look at	
7. Stage		Supports specimen in correct location to lens
8. Condenser		Focuses the light on specimen
9. Diaphragm (iris disc)	or	Regulates amount of light and contrast
10. Light Source		Illuminates the specimen for viewing

## Handling and Care of the Microscope

The following rule should be observed:

- 1. Use both hand when carrying the microscope. One hand should hold the base and the other holds the limb.
- 2. Never place the microscope too close to the edge of the bench.
- **3.** Do not touch the mirror and the lenses with the fingers.
- 4. Clean dirty lenses using softtissue.
- 5. Clean other parts using a soft cloth.
- **6.** Do not wet any part of the microscope.
- 7. Make sure the low power clicks into position in line with the eye piece before and after use.
- 8. Always store the microscope in a safe place free from dust and moisture. Using the Microscope
  - 9. Place microscope on the bench with the stage facing away from you.
  - 10. Turn the low power objective lens until it clicks into position.
  - **11.** Ensure the diaphragm is fully open.
  - **12.** Look through the eyepiece with one eye. Adjust the mirror to ensure maximum light can pass through.
  - **13.** Place the slide containing the specimen on the stage and clipit into position. Make sure the slide is at the centre of the field of view.
  - 14. Again look through the eyepiece while adjusting the mirror to ensure maximum light reach the specimen.
  - **15.** Use the coarse adjustment knob to bring the low power objective lens to the lowest point. While viewing through the eyepiece, turn the coarse adjustment knob gently until the specimen comes into focus.
  - 16. Use the fine adjustment knob to bring the image into sharp focus.
  - 17. Make a drawing of what you see.
  - **18.** For higher magnification, turn the medium power into position and adjust the focus using the coarse knob. Use the fine adjustment knob for sharper focus.
  - **19.** Foreven large magnifications, turn the high power objective lensinto position. In this case use only the fine adjustment knob to bring details into sharper focus.

## **Magnification**

- The magnifying power is usually inscribed on the lens.
- To find out how many times a specimen is magnified, the magnifying power of the objective lens is multiplied by that of the eye piece lens.
- If the eye piece magnification lens is x10 and the objective lens is x4, the total

magnification is x40.

- Magnification has no units.
- It should always have the multiplication sign.e.g.x40
- Magnification of the object viewed under the microscope is calculated by; Magnification = Eye

#### Piece Lens Magnification X Objective Lens Magnification.

• If the eyepiece lens has the magnification of x5 and the low power objective lens has a magnification of x10, the total magnification is 5x10=50.

Eye piece lens maginification	Objective lens magnification	Total magnification
X5	X4	
X10	X5	
X10		X100
	X40	X600
X10	X100	

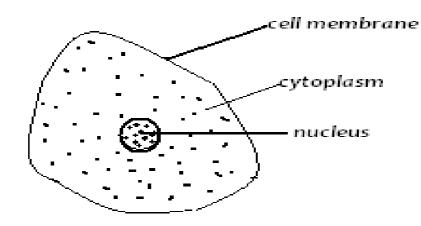
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#### Practical Activity1

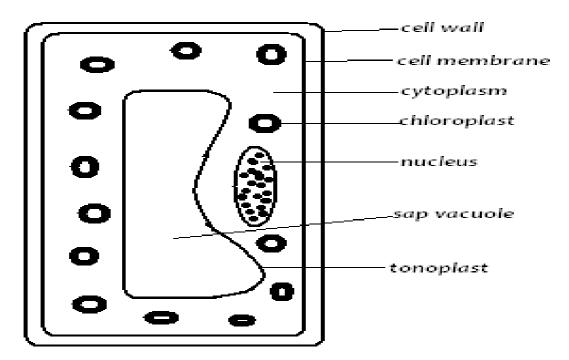
#### Cell Structures as Seen Under the Light Microscope

- The following cell organelles can be seen under the light microscope.
- Cell wall.
- Cell membrane
- Cytoplasm
- Nucleus
- Vacuole.
- Chloroplasts.

#### Cell Structure as Seen Through the Light Microscope



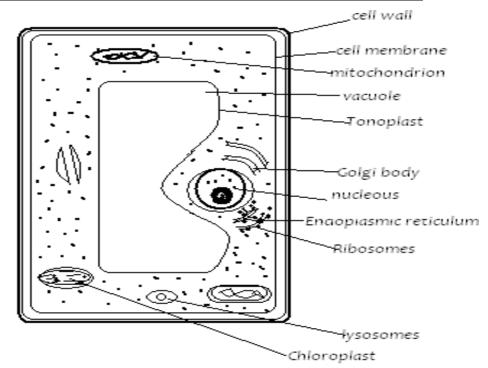
A typical animal cell



Generalised plant cell

## **The Electron Microscope.**

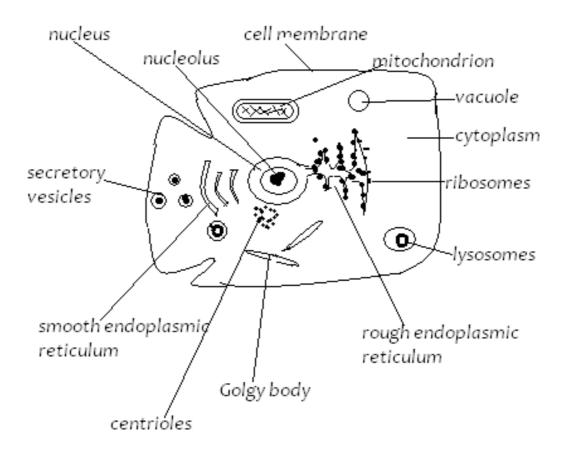
- It is more powerful than the light microscope.
- It can magnify up to 500,000 times and has high resolving power.
- The high resolving power of the electron microscope enables it to separate objects which lie close to one another.
- $\bullet \ Electron\,microscope\, uses\, a\, beam\, of\, electrons\, instead\, of\, light\, to\, illuminate\, the\, object.$



Cell Structures as Seen Under the Electron Microscope

A generalised plant cell as seen under the electron microscope

A generalised anumal cell as seen under Electron microscope



## **The Cell Organelles**

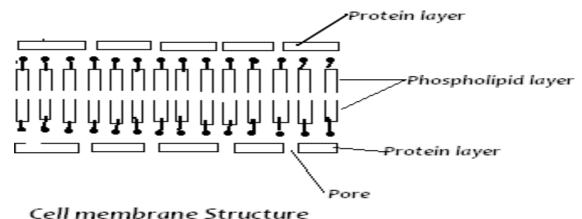
#### i) <u>Cell membrane (Plasma Membrane).</u>

• It has three layers i.e. one layer of phospho-lipid layer sandwiched between two protein layers.

• It is flexible with pores and ahs the following main functions.

*a)* Encloses all the cell contents.

*b)* It allows selective movement of substances into and out of the cell since it is semipermeable.



#### *ii)* <u>Cytoplasm</u>

- It is s fluid medium in which chemical reactions take place.
- It has some movement called cytoplasmic streaming.
- It contains organelles, starch, glycogen, fat droplets and other dissolved substances.

#### iii) <u>Nucleus</u>

- It has double membrane called the nuclear membrane.
- The membrane has pores allowing passage of materials into and out of the cell.
- Nucleus has a fluid called **nucleoplasm** in which the **nucleolus and chromatin** are suspended.
- Nucleolus manufactures ribosomes while chromatin contains the hereditary material.

#### *iv)* <u>Mitochondria(Mitochondrion)</u>

- They are sausage shaped and are the **respiratory sites**.
- Mitochondrion has two membranes. Inner membrane is greatly folded into
- cristae to increase the surface area for respiration.
- Cells that require a lot of energy have large number of mitochondriae.g. muscle cell, sperm cell, kidney celletc.



#### *v*) <u>Endoplasmic Reticulum (ER)</u>

Some endoplasmic reticulums have granules called Ribosomes on their surfaces hence referred to as rough endoplasmic reticulum.

- Others do not contain ribosomes hence the name **smooth endoplasmic reticulum**.
- Rough endoplasmic reticulum **transport proteins** while the smooth endoplasmic reticulum **transports lipids.**

#### vi) <u>Ribosomes</u>

- These are small spherical structures attached to the ER.
- They consist of protein and ribonucleic acid (RNA).
- They act as sites for the synthesis of proteins.

#### vii) Lysosomes

• They contain **lytic enzymes** which break down large molecules, destroy worn out organelles or even the entire cell.

#### *viii)* <u>Golgi Bodies (Golgi apparatus)</u>

- Their function is to package and transport **glyco-proteins.**
- They are also associated with secretion of synthesized proteins and

#### carbohydrates.

#### *ix*) <u>Centrioles</u>

- They are rod shaped structures that are used in **cell division** and in the formation of **cilia and flagella**.
- Plant cells lack the Centrioles.

#### *x*) <u>Chloroplasts</u>

- They are egg shaped and contain two membranes.
- $\bullet Chloroplas thas chlorophyll which traps light energy to be used during photosynthesis.$

#### xi) <u>Vacuoles</u>

- This are sacs filled with a fluid called cell sap.
- Animal cells contain small vacuoles while plant cells have large vacuoles.
- Sap vacuoles store sugars and salts.
- Food vacuole store and digest food while contractile vacuoles excrete unwanted materials from the cell.

#### *xii)* <u>Cell wall</u>

- It is a rigid outer cover of the plant cells made of **cellulose**.
- It gives the plant cell a definite shape while providing mechanical support and

#### protection.

• Cell wall also allows water, gases and other materials to pass through it.

#### **Study Question 3**

Differences between Plant and Animal Cells

#### **Practical Activity 3**

#### **Preparation and Observation of Temporary Slides of Plant Cells**

- A piece of epidermis is made from the fleshy leaf of an onion bulb. It is placed on a microscope slide and a drop of water added.
- A drop of iodine is added and a cover slip placed on top.
- Observations are made, under low and medium power objective.
- The cell wall and nucleus stain darker than other parts.
- A labelled drawing is made.
- The following are noted: Nucleus, cell wall, cytoplasm and cell membrane.

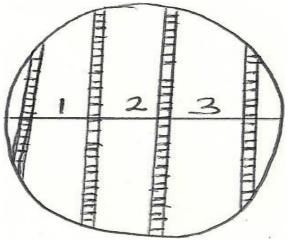
#### **Observation of permanent slides of animal cells**

- Permanent slides of animal cells are obtained e.g, of cheek cells, nerve cells and muscle cells.
- The slide is mounted on the microscope and observations made under low power and medium power objectives.
- Labelled drawings of the cells are made.
- A comparison between plant and animal cell is made.

### **Observation and Estimation of Cell Size and Calculation of**

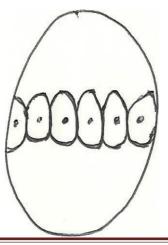
#### **Procedure**

- Click to low power
- place transparent ruler with its millimeter marks on the stage
- focus so that the millimeter marks can be seen as thick dark lines
- estimate the diameter of field of view by counting the one millimeter spaces between the first mark and the last one across the field of view as shown below



- the diameter of the field of view above is estimated as 3.2 mm
- convert the diameter of the field of view from millimeters to micrometers i.e. 3.2/1000
- Estimate the fraction of the field of view occupied by the cell. This is done by estimating the number of cells places end to end that would fill the diameter

of the field f view as shown below



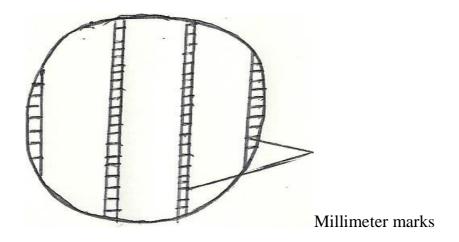
- in the figure above, it is estimated that approximately six cells will occupy the diameter of the field of view
- therefore, one cell will occupy 1/6 of the field of view
- its diameter is calculated as 1/6 times the diameter of the field of view
- i) In a drawing of a giraffe, the height of the head from the ground was recorded as 10cm. the

drawing also showed a magnification of 0.02. calculate the actual height of the giraffe

Drawing height = 10cm = 500cm Magnification 0.02

#### **QUESTION**

i)In a class experiment to estimate sizes of cells a student observed and obtained millimeter marks on the field of view of a microscope as shown in the diagram below.



- If the student counted 40 cells on the diameter of the field of view, what was the approximate size of the each cell in micrometers?

Diameter of field of view =  $3 \times 1000 = 75 \text{ m}\mu$  Number of cells

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# **CELL PHYSIOLOGY**

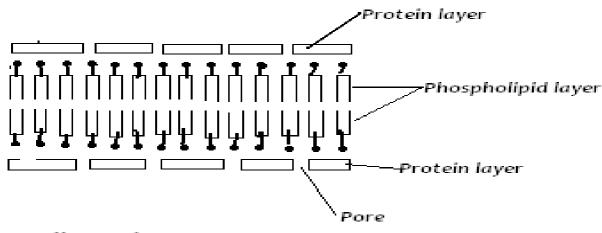
• This is the study of the functions of cell structures.

#### **Membrane Structure and Properties**

- A membrane is a surface structure which encloses the cell and organelles. Membranes regulate the flow of materials into out of the cell or organelle.
- Examples of membranes: cell membrane, tonoplast (membrane surrounding the vacuole), nuclear membrane, mitochondrial membrane, chloroplast membrane etc.

#### The Cell Membrane

• It has three layers, two protein layers and a phos-pholipid layers and wiched in between the two.



Cell membrane Structure

#### **Properties of Cell Membrane**

- 1. Semi-permeability. It has small pores allowing for the passage of molecules of small size into and out of the cell. Cell Wall however allows all materials to pass through it hence it is referred to as being Permeable.
- 2. Sensitivity to Changes in Temperature and pH Extreme temperature and pH affects the cell membrane since it has some protein layers. Such changes alter the structure of the membrane affecting its normal functioning.
- 3. **Possession of Electric Charges** it has both the negative and positive charges helping the cell to detect changes in the environment. These charges also affect the manner in which substances move in and out of the cell

## **PHYSIOLOGICAL PROCESSES**

The ability of the cell to control the movement of substances in and out of the cell is achieved through physiological processes such as **Diffusion**, **Osmosis and Active Transport**.

#### **Diffusion**

This is a process by which particles move from a region of **high concentration** to a region of **low concentration**.

#### **Practical Activity 1**

#### To demonstrate diffusion using potassium permanganate (VII)

• The difference in concentration of particles between the region of high concentration and the region of low concentration is known as the **diffusion gradient**.

#### **Role of Diffusion in Living Organisms**

#### 1. Absorption of Materials

- Mineral salts in the soil enter the root by diffusion since their concentration in the soil is greater than in the root hair cells.
- Digested food (glucose and amino acids) diffuse across the wall of the ileuminto the blood for transport to rest of the body.

#### 2. Gaseous Exchange in Plants and Animals

• In both plants and animals, respiratory gases (oxygen and Carbon (IV) oxide) are exchanged through simple diffusion depending on their concentration gradient.

#### 3. Excretion of Nitrogenous Wastes

#### 4. Transport of Manufactured Food form Leaves to other Plant Parts.

#### **Factors Affecting Diffusion**

#### *a*) Diffusion Gradient

- A greater diffusion gradient between two points increases the rate of diffusion.
- b) Surface Area to Volume Ratio
- The higher the ratio the greater the rate of diffusion and the lower the ratio the lower the rate.
- This means that small organisms expose a large surface area to the surrounding compared to large organisms.
- Smallorganisms therefore depend on diffusion as a means of transport of foods, respiratory gases and waste products.

#### c) Thickness of Membranes and Tissues

• The thicker the membrane the lower the rate of diffusion because the distance covered by the diffusing molecules is greater. The thinner the membrane, the faster the rate.

#### d) Size of the Molecules

• Small and light molecules diffuse faster than large and heavy molecules.

#### e) Temperature

 $\bullet Increase in temperature increases the energy content in molecules causing them to move faster.$ 

## <u>Osmosis</u>

• This is the process where **solvent molecules (water)** move from a **lowly concentrated solution** (dilute) to a highly **concentrated solution** across a **semi- permeable membrane**.

#### Diagram fig 4.6

- The highly concentrated solution is known as Hypertonic Solution.
- The lowly concentrated solution is called **Hypotonic solution**.
- Solution of the same concentration are said to be **Isotonic**.
- Osmosis is a special type of diffusion because it involves the movement of solvent (water) molecules from their region of high concentration to region of low concentration across a semi permeable membrane.

#### **Osmotic Pressure**

- This is the pressure which needs to be applied to a solution to prevent the inward flow of water across a semi permeable membrane. This is the pressure needed to nullify osmosis.
- Osmotic pressure is measured using the **osmometer**.

#### **Osmotic Potential**

• This is the measure of the pressure a solution would develop to withdraw water molecules from pure water when separated by a semi permeable membrane.

#### Water Relations in Animals

- Cell membrane of the animal cell is semi permeable just like the dialysis/visking tubing.
- Cytoplasm contains dissolved sugars and salts in solution form.
- If an animal cell e.g. a red blood cell is placed in distilled water (hypotonic solution), water flows in by osmosis.
- The cell would swell up and eventually burst because the cell membrane is weak. The bursting of the red blood cell when placed in hypotonic solution is called **Haemolysis**.
- If a similar red blood cell is placed in a hypertonic solution, water is drawn out of the cell by osmosis. The cell will shrink by a process called **Crenation**.
- Body fluids surrounding the cells must therefore have same concentration as to that which is found inside the cell.

#### Diagrams

## Water Relations in Plants

- When a plant cell is placed in a hypotonic solution it gains water by osmosis and distends outwards.
- As the cell gains more water, its vacuole enlarges and exerts an outward pressure called **turgor pressure.** As more water is drawn in, the cell becomes firm and rigid and is said to be **turgid**.
- The cell wall in plant cell is rigid and prevents the cell from bursting unlike the case in animal cells.
- The cell wall develops a resistant pressure that pushes towards the inside. This pressure is equal and opposite the turgor pressure and is called **wall pressure**.

#### **Diagrams**

- When a plant cell is placed in hypertonic solution, water molecules move out of the cell into the solution by osmosis. The cell shrinks and becomes **flaccid**.
- If the cell continues to lose more water, plasma membrane pulls away from the cell wall towards the center.
- The process through which plant cells lose water, shrink and become flaccid is called **plasmolysis.**
- Plasmolysis can be reversed by placing a flaccid cellin distilled water and this process is called **deplasmolysis.**

**Study Question 5** 

#### **Practical Activity4 Wilting**

- When plants lose water through evaporation and transpiration, **cells lose turgidity**, shrink and the plant **droops**. This is called **wilting**.
- If water supply from the soil is inadequate, plants do not recover hence permanent wilting.

#### **Study Question 6**

## **Role of Osmosis in Organisms**

#### 1. Absorption of water from the soil

• Root hair cells of plants absorb water from the soil by osmosis.

#### 2. Support

• Cells of herbaceous plants, which are less woody, absorb water, become turgid hence support.

#### 3. Opening and closing of the stomata

- During the day, guard cells synthesize glucose, draw in water, become turgid hence open the stomata.
- During the night, they lose turgidity since there is no photosynthesis. As a result, they shrink thus closing the stomata.

#### 4. Feeding in insectivorous plants

• These plants are able to change their turgor pressure on the leaves which close trapping insects which are digested to provide the plant with nitrogen.

#### 5. Osmoregulation

• In the kidney tubules, water is reabsorbed back to the body by osmosis.

## **Factors Affecting Osmosis**

- i.) Concentration of Solutions and Concentration Gradient. The greater the concentration gradient between two points, the faster the rate of osmosis.
- ii.) Optimum Temperature as long as it does not destroy the semi-permeability of the membrane.

#### **Active Transport**

- This is the process that moves substances across cell membranes against a concentration gradient.
- This process **requires energy** to move these substances across cell membranes and involves **carriers.**
- Substances such as amino acids, sugar and many ions are taken in by living organisms through active transport.

#### **Role of Active Transport**

- i.) Re-absorption of sugars and useful substances by the kidney ii.) Absorption of some mineral salts by plant roots
- iii.) Absorption of digested food from the alimentary canal into the blood stream
- iv.) Accumulation of substances in the body to offset osmotic imbalance in arid and saline

environment

v.) Excretion of waste products from body cells

#### Factors Affecting Active Transport. i.) Oxygen concentration.

- ii.) Change in pH.
- iii.) Glucose concentration. iv.)Temperature.

Enzyme inhibitors.

NB/ Any factor affecting energy production affect the rate of active transport.

#### **Practical Activities**

#### 1. Experiment to Demonstrate Diffusion

- Various coloured substances such as: dyes, plant extracts and chemicals like potassium pennanganate are used.
- Potassium manganate (VII) crystals are introduced to the bottom of a beaker filled with water using a glass tubing or drinking straw which is then removed.
- Observations are made and the disappearance of the crystals and subsequent uniform colouring of water noted.

#### 2. Experiment to Demonstrate Osmosis Using a Visking Thbing

- A strip of visking tubing 8-10 cm is cut and tied at one end using strong thread.
- About 2 ml of 25% sucrose solution is put inside and the other end tied with thread.
- The tubing is washed under running water and then blotted to dry.
- It is immersed in a beaker containing distilled water and left for at least one hour or overnight.
- It will then be observed that the visking tubing has greatly increased in size and has become firm.
- A control experiment can be set up using distilled water inside the visking tubing in place of sucrose solution.

#### 3. Experiment to Show Osmosis using Living Tissue

- Irish potato tubers are peeled and scooped out to make hollow space at the centre.
- Sucrose solution is placed inside the hollow, and the potato tuber placed in a beaker or petri-dish with distilled water. A conttrol is set using a boiled potato.
- Another one using distilled water inside hollow in place of sugar solution.
- The experiment is left for 3 hours to 24 hours.

#### 4. Experiment to Demonstrate Turgor and Plasmolysis in Onion Epidermal Cells

- Two strips of onion epidermis are obtained.
- One is placed on a slide with distilled water while the other is placed on a slide with 25% sucrose solution and a coverslip placed on top of each.
- The mounted epidermis is observed under low power microscope and then left for 30 minutes.
- After 30 minutes, observations are made again.

The cells in distilled water have greatly enlarged. Cells in 25% sucrose have shrunk.

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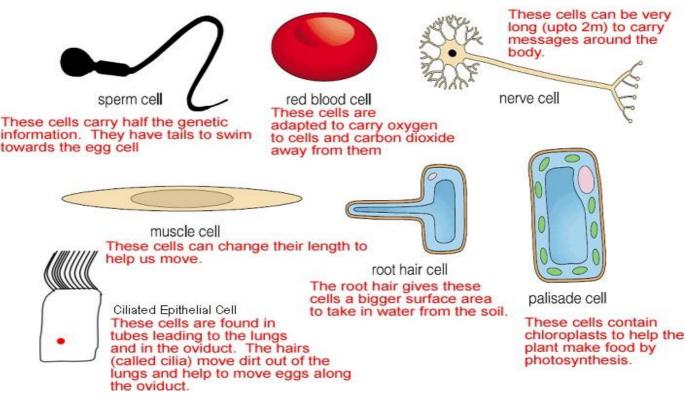
## **CELL SPECIALIZATION, TISSUES, ORGANS AND**

## ORGAN SYSTEMS

## 1. Cell specialization

- This is where cells are modified to perform specific functions. Such cells are said to be specialized.
- Examples include the sperm cell which has tail for swimming and the root hair cell which is extended creating large surface area for water absorption.

#### Specialised Plant and Animal Cells

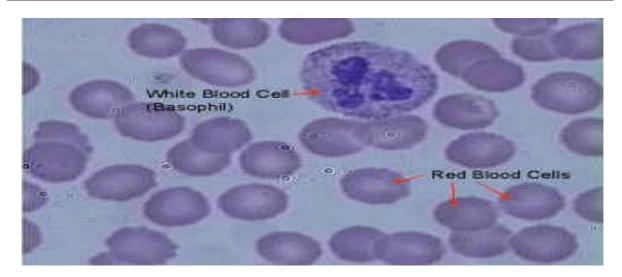


#### 2. Tissues.

• These are cells of a particular type that are grouped together to perform the same function.

## Animal tissues include;

- **Epithelial tissue** which is a thin continuous layer of cells for **lining and protection** of internal and external surfaces.
- **Skeletal** it is a bundle of elongated cells with fibres that can contract. Its contraction and relaxation brings about movement.
- **Blood tissue** this is a fluid containing red blood cells, white blood cells and platelets. It transports many substances and protects the body against infections.



- **Connective tissue** – made up of strong fibres that connect other tissues and organs holding them together.

## **PLANT TISSUES INCLUDE:**

- Epidermal tissue of a plant this is a single layer of cells protecting the inner tissues of the plant.
- **Palisade tissue** this is a group of cells rich in chloroplasts containing chlorophyll. They absorb light energy duringphotosynthesis.
- **Parenchyma tissue** it is made thin walled irregularly shaped cells. They store water and food.
- Vascular bundle consists of the xylem and phloem. Xylem conducts water and mineral salts while phloem conducts food substances.

## **ORGANS**

- Manytissues become specialized and grouped together to perform a functional unit called the organ.
- Examples of organs in plants include; roots, leaves, flowers and stem.
- In animals they include heart, lungs, kidney, brain, stomach and the liver.

## **ORGAN SYSTEMS.**

• This is made of several organs whose functions are coordinated and synchronized to realize an effective action is called an **organ system**. Examples include; digestive, circulatory, excretory, respiratory, reproductive and nervous system.

## **NUTRITION IN PLANTS AND ANIMALS**

#### **Nutrition**

- ✓ This is the process by which organisms obtain and Assimilate nutrients.
- ✓ There are two modes of nutrition; Autotrophism and Heterotrophism.

#### <u>Autotrophism</u>

- ✓ This is where living organism manufacture its own complex food substances from simple substances such as carbon (iv) oxide, water, light or chemical energy.
- ✓ Where sunlight is used as a source of energy, the process is referred to as **photosynthesis**.
- ✓ **Photo** means light while **synthesis** means to make.
- ✓ Some **none green plants** make their own food using energy obtained from certain chemicals through a process called **chemosynthesis**.
- ✓ Organisms that make their own food are referred to as **autotrophs**.

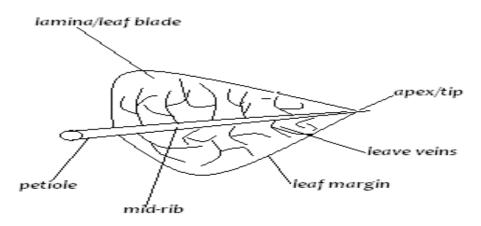
#### **Heterotrophism**

- ✓ This is where organisms take in complex food materials such as carbohydrates, proteins and fats obtained from bodies of plants and animals.
- ✓ Organisms that feed on already manufactured foods are called **Heterotrophs**.

#### **Autotrophism**

## **External Structure of a Leaf**

A leaf is a flattened organ which is attached to the stem or a branch of a plant.



External structure of a leaf

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## PARTS OF A LEAF

Lamina: This is the flat surface. It is green in colour and contain the photosynthetic tissue.

**Midrib:** This is a thick structure running through the middle of the leaf **Veins:** They arise from the midrib to forming an extensive network of veins. **Leaf Apex:** This is the tip of the leaf and usually it is pointed.

Petiole: It attaches the leaf to the stem or branch.

In some monocotyledonous plants the leaves are attached to the stem by the leaf sheath.

 $\label{eq:practical} Activity 1: To examine the External Features of a Dicotyledonous and$ 

Monocotyledonous leaf

Study Question 1

## **Internal Structure of a Leaf**

 $\checkmark$  Internal structure of the leaf is composed of the following parts.

#### i.) Cuticle.

- $\checkmark$  It is a thin waterproof and transparent layer that coats the upper and lower surfaces of the leaf.
- ✓ It reduces excess water loss and protects the inner tissue of the plant against mechanical injury.
- $\checkmark$  It also prevents entry of disease causing micro organisms.
- ✓ Since it is transparent, it allows penetration of light for photosynthesis.

#### ii.) Epidermis.

- $\checkmark$  It is a one cell thick tissue on both the upper and lower leaf surfaces.
- $\checkmark$  It secretes the cuticle and also protects the inner tissues from mechanical damage and prevents entry of pathogens.
- ✓ Epidermal cells have no chloroplast except the **guard cells**.
- $\checkmark \qquad \mbox{Guard cells are special bean shaped cells. They have chloroplast and are able to carry out}$

photosynthesis hence controlling the opening and closing of the stomata.

- $\checkmark$  Air moves into and out of the leaf through the stomata.
- iii.) Palisade layer.
- $\checkmark$  This is layer of cells located beneath the upper epidermis.

✓ It is made of cylindrical

shaped cells **closely packed** together. They have **numerous chloroplasts** containing chlorophyll.

✓ Their position and arrangement enables them to receive maximum light.

#### iv.) Spongy Mesophyll Layer.

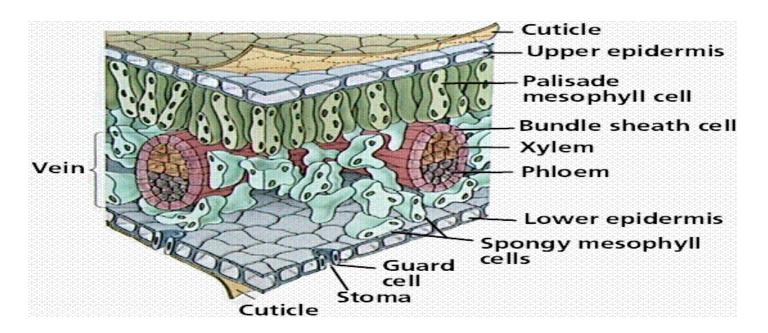
This is below the palisade layer. The cells are irregularly shaped and loosely packed creating large air spaces in between them.

The air spaces allow gases to diffuse in between the cells. They contain fewer chloroplasts as compared to the palisade cells.

#### v.) Leaf Veins.

✓ Each vein is a vascular bundle consisting of xylem and phloem.

Xylem conducts water and mineral salts from the roots to the leaves while the phloem translocates manufactured food from the leaves to the rest of the plant.

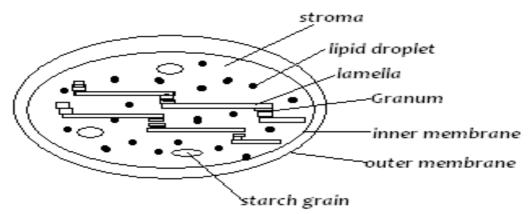


**Study Question 2** 

#### Adaptations of the leaves to its functions

1. Broad and flat lamina to increase surface area of Carbon (IV) oxide and sunlight absorption.

- **2.** Thin transparent cuticle and upper epidermis; to allow easier penetration of light to photosynthetic cells;
- **3.** Thin; for faster diffusion of gases;
- 4. Palisade cells placed next to the upper surface; to trap maximum light for photosynthesis;
- 5. Palisade cells with numerous chloroplasts; to trap maximum amount of light for photosynthesis;
- **6.** Large/ intercellular air spaces in the spongy mesophyll layer; for storage of Carbon (IV) oxide for easier gaseous exchange;
- 7. Waxy water proof cuticle; to reduce water loss sand reflect excess light;
- 8. Leaf mosaic/ non-overlapping leaves; for maximum exposure to light;
- **9.** Guard cells, modified cells to open and close stomata; to control amount of water loss from the leaf and allows gaseous exchange;
- **10.** Leaves have leaf veins; xylem to conduct water to photosynthetic cells, Phloem to translocate products of photosynthesis to other parts of plant;



## **The Chloroplast**

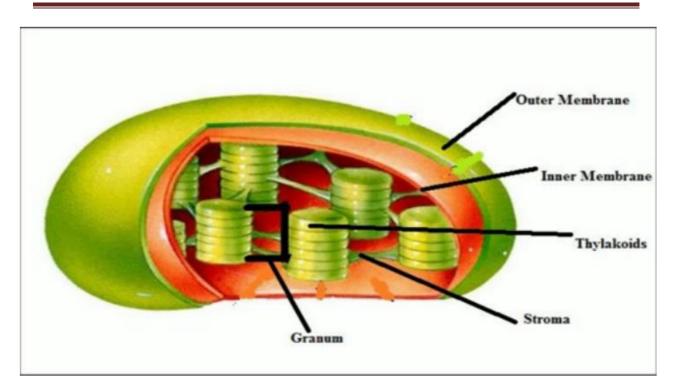
#### Structure of Chloroplast

- ✓ They are disc shaped organelles found in the cytoplasm of plant cells.
- ✓ Each chloroplast has a double membrane; the inner and outer membrane.
- $\checkmark \qquad Chloroplasts are made of layers of membranes called$ **lamellae**contained in a fluid matrix called

#### stroma.

- ✓ Several lamellae come together to form the granum (grana).
- ✓ Granum contains **chlorophyll molecules** and other **photosynthetic pigments**.
- ✓ The stroma contains **enzymes** that speed up the rate of photosynthesis.

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Practical Activity 2: To Observe Distribution of Stomata Study Question 3.

### **The Process of Photosynthesis**

- ✓ The raw materials for photosynthesis are; water and carbon (IV) oxide. The process however requires the presence of sunlight energy and chlorophyll Pigment.
- ✓ The products of photosynthesis are glucose and oxygen. The process can be summarized using an equation as shown below.

#### 6H2O+6CO2---->C6H12O6+6O2

## Six molecules of water plus six molecules of carbon (IV) Oxide produce one molecule of sugar plus six molecules of oxygen

 $\checkmark$  The process of photosynthesis is however more complex than shown in the above equation and can be divided into two stage; the light and dark stages.

#### Light stage (Light DependentStage)

- Occurs in the grana containing chlorophyll which traps / absorbs sun light energy.
- This Energy is used to split water molecules into hydrogen ion and oxygen gas.
- This process is called **photolysis** of water and is shown below. LIGHT ENERGY

2H2O4H+O2(Water)CHLOROPHHydrogen atomOxygenYLL

- Hydrogen atoms produced here enter into the dark stage.
- Oxygen gas removed through stomata or is used for respiration within the plant;
- Some Light energy is used in Adenosine Triphosphate (ATP) formation; ATP an energy rich compound.
- ATP is later used in the dark stage.

# Dark stage. (Light Independent Stage)

- Carbon (IV) oxide combines with hydrogen atoms to form glucose/simple carbohydrate.
- This is called Carbon (IV) Oxide fixation.

Carbon (IV) oxide + Hydrogen Atom \_\_\_\_\_Simple Carbohydrate CO2 + 4H C6H12O6

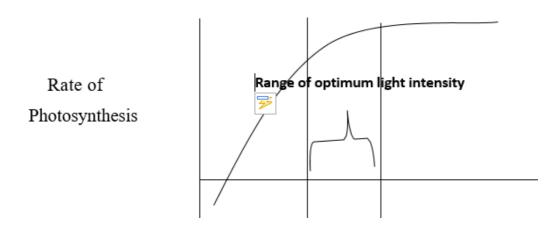
- This stage takes place in the stroma and proceeds whether light is present or not.
- ATP Energy from light stage is used to provide the required energy in this reaction;
- Simple sugars formed are used for respiration to provide energy or are converted to storable forms e.g lipids, proteins, starch, cellulose, etc.

#### **Study Question 4**

Practical Activity 3: To Investigate the Presence of Starch in a Leaf. Study Question 5

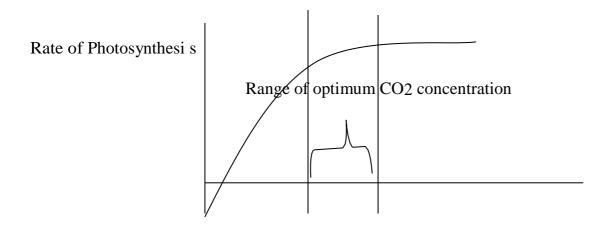
# FACTORS AFFECTING THE RATE OF PHOTOSYNTHESIS

- i.) Light Intensity.
- Increase in light intensity increase the rate of photosynthesis up to a certain level where it slows down and finally levels off.
- Very bright sunshine may damage the plant tissues due to high amount of ultra violet light.
- Light quality or light wavelength also affects the rate of photosynthesis.
- Red and blue wavelengths of light are required by most plants for photosynthesis.



Light intensity ii.) Carbon (IV) oxideconcentration

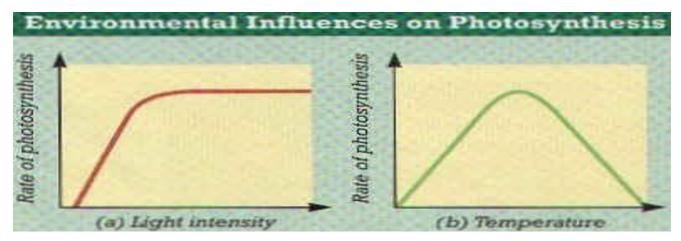
• Increase in Carbon (IV) oxide concentration increases the rate of photosynthesis linearly up to a certain level after which it slows down and levels off.



#### Carbon (IV) oxide concentration

iii.) Temperature

- Photosynthesis is an enzyme controlled process, therefore increase in temperature increase the rate of photosynthesis up to the optimum temperature.
- Increase in temperature beyond the optimum decreases the rate sharply as the enzymes become denatured.



iv.) Water

• Plants need water for photosynthesis. Hydrogen atoms required in the dark stage during Carbon (IV) oxide fixation are derived from water during photolysis.

Study Question 6

Practical Activity 4: To Investigate Factors Necessary for Photosynthesis.

- *a*) Light Study Question 7
- b) Carbon (IV) oxide.

#### Study Question 8

*c*) Chlorophyll. Study Question 9 Study Question 10

Practical Activity 5: To Investigate the Gas Produced During Photosynthesis. Study Question 11

# **Chemical Compounds Which Constitute Living Organisms**

- Cells, tissues and organs are made of chemicals which are referred to as **chemicals of life**.
- The study of chemical compounds found in living organisms and reactions in which they take part is called **Biochemistry**.
- Chemicals of life include carbohydrates, lipids and proteins.

#### a) Carbohydrates

- They are compounds of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen in the ratio of 1:2:1 respectively.
- Carbohydrates have a general formula of (CH2O)n where n represents the number of carbon atoms in a molecule of carbohydrate.
- Carbohydrates are divided into three groups; Monosaccharide's, Disaccharides and Polysaccharides.

#### i)Monosaccharides

- They are the simplest carbohydrates and have a general chemical formula of (CH2O)n where n = 6.
- Their chemical formular is therefore C6H12O6. They include; glucose, fructose, galactose etc.

#### **Properties of Monosaccharides**

*i*)They are soluble in water to form sweet tasting solutions.

- *ii)* They are crystalissable.
- *iii)* They have the reducing property where they reduce copper sulphate in Benedicts solution to red copper (I) oxide.

#### **Functions**

*i*)They are oxidized to release energy during respiration.

*ii)* When condensed together, they form polysaccharides such as starch, cellulose or glycogen.

#### ii) Disaccharides

• They are formed by linking two Monosaccharide molecules through the process of condensation where a molecule of water is liberated.

#### Condensation

Monosaccharide	+Mon	osaccharide	Disaccharide + Water. C6H12O6			
	+	C6H12O6	►		_C6H22O	11 +
H2O						
Examples						
Glucose	+	Glucose	►Maltose	+	Water.	Glucose
+	Fru	ictose	<u> </u>	+ 1	Vater Glu	cose+
Galactose			Lactose	+ 1	Vater.	

• The type of disaccharide formed depends on the monosaccharide units that condense together.

#### **Properties of Disaccharides**

*i*)Soluble in water to form sweet tasting solutions

- *ii)* They are **non reducing sugars**. Some such as the maltose can reduce copper sulphate in Benedict's solution when heated together and are therefore referred to as **complex reducing sugars**.
- *iii)* They are readily broken into their constituent monosaccharide molecules in a process known as

Hydrolysis in the presence of water.

#### Hydrolysis

Disaccharide	+Water	Monosaccharide + Monosaccharide C6H22O11
+ H2O	Hydrolysis	► C6H12O6 + C6H12O6

Sucrose	+Water	Hydrolysis	Glucose	+ Fructose Lactose	
	+	Water	Hydroly	Glucose + Galactos	se
Maltose	+	Water	► Hydrolysis.	<u>Glucos</u> e + Glucose.	

• Naturally disaccharides are hydrolyzed by enzymes. In the laboratory, hydrolysis is achieved by boiling them in dilute Hydrochloric acid.

#### Functions

• They are hydrolyzed by enzymes into monosaccharide's which are then oxidized to produce energy.

**iii)Polysaccharides.**They are made of many monosaccharide molecules hence are long and more complex.

• They have a general formula of (C6H10O5)n; where the value of n is a very large number.

#### **Examples of polysaccharides**

#### i)Starch

- It is present as stored food in plant tissues e.g. maize, wheat, potatoes, rice etc.
- *ii*) Cellulose
- This is the component of the cell wall in plants. Cellulose gives the plant cells their definite shape.
- *iii)* Glycogen
- This is the form in which carbohydrates are stored in animal tissues. Excess glucose is converted into glycogen for storage in the liver.

# **Properties of Polysaccharides**

*i*)All are insoluble in water

*ii)* Donot have a sweet taste hence are referred to as non-sugars. **Study Question 12** 

# Practical Activity 6: To Carry out Food Tests for Carbohydrates

#### i)Starch

- *ii*) Reducing sugars
- *iii)* Non Reducing Sugars

#### b) Lipids

• These are the fats and oils. Fats are found in animals while oils are found in plants.

- Oils are liquid while the fats are solid at room temperature.
- They contain carbon, hydrogen and oxygen just like the carbohydrates. However they contain fewer number of oxygen atoms than in carbohydrates.
- Lipids are made up of three fatty acid molecules and one molecule of Glycerol.
- The nature of a lipid formed, depends on the fatty acids it contains. Glycerol remains the same in all lipids.

# Diagram

- $\bullet Complex lipids are formed through condensation of many lipid molecules just like in carbohydrates.$
- Examples of complex lipids include; phospholipids, waxes, steroids and cholesterol.
- Presence of lipids in a food sample is detected using the grease spot test or emulsion test.

# **Properties of Lipids**

1. When fats are heated they change into liquid while oils solidify under low temperature.

2. Both fats and oils are insoluble in water. They however dissolve in organic solvents such as alcohol to form emulsions and suspensions.

3. Lipids are inert hence can be stored in the tissues of organisms.

# **Functions of Lipids**

# i)Source of energy

• They give almost twice as much energy as the Monosaccharides.

# *ii)* Source of metabolic water

• When oxidized, lipids release more water than Monosaccharides. Such water is referred to as **metabolic water**.

# *iii)* Structural compounds

• Lipids are constituents of plasma membrane and protoplasm.

# *iv)* Heat insulation

- Fats are deposited under the skin of animals forming the adipose tissue which acts as a heat insulator.
- $\bullet Mammals in the temperate regions have thick adipose tissue to greatly reduced heat loss and the temperate regions have the temperate region. It is the temperate region of the temperate region of the temperate region of the temperate region of the temperate region. It is the temperate region of temperate region of$
- Thick adipose tissue in aquatic animals helps them to be buoyant in water.

# v) Protection

 $\bullet Fat is deposited around the major organs such as kidney, heart etc where they act as shock absorber.$ 

• Wax in plant cuticles reduces excessive water loss.

Study Question 13

Practical Activity 7: testing for the Presence of Lipids

# *i*)The Grease Spot

*ii)* The Emulsion Test

#### c) Proteins

- Like carbohydrates and lipids, proteins are compounds of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen.
- In addition they contain **nitrogen** and sometimes **phosphorous and sulphur**.
- Some proteins such as haemoglobin contain other elements such as iron.
- Proteins are made up of small units called amino acids. There are about 20 different types of amino acids.
- $\bullet Allamino\,acids\,contain the\,amino\,group\,(\textbf{-NH2}) which \,consists of hydrogen\,and\,nitrogen.$
- Two amino acids combine to form a **dipeptide molecule** through the process of condensation.
- The bond between two amino acids is called **peptide Bond**. Many amino acids join together to form a long protein chain called **polypeptide chain**.
- The **type and sequence** of amino acids contained in such a chain determine the **uniqueness** of the protein being formed.

#### **Properties of Proteins**

- i.) They dissolve in water to form **colloidal suspensions** (not true solutions) where particles remain suspended in water.
- ii.) They are **denatured by temperatures above 40** <sup>o</sup>**C.** Heat alters the structure of the protein molecule. Chemicals such as detergents, acids, bases and organic solvents also denature proteins.
- iii.) They are **amphoteric** whereby they have both acidic and basic properties.
- This property enables them to combine with non-protein compounds to form **conjugated proteins** such as mucus, and haemoglobin. In mucus the non protein compound is a carbohydrate while in haemoglobin, iron is a non protein.

# **Functions of Proteins**

i.) Structural Functions

- Proteins make the framework of living systems e.g. plasma membrane, connective tissues, muscle fibres, hair, nails, hooves, skeletal materials etc.
- ii.) Metabolic Regulators
- $\checkmark$  These are divided into two

#### a) Enzymes

- ✓ Enzymes are **organic catalysts which speed up** the rate of metabolic reactions such as respiration, photosynthesis, digestion etc.
- b) Hormones
- ✓ They are **chemical messengers which regulate many body processes** such as growth, reproduction, amount of sugars, salts and water in the blood etc.
- iii.) Source of Energy
- ✓ Under extreme starvation, proteins are broken down to release energy.

Study question 14

#### Practical Activity 8 To Test for Proteins

#### Enzymes

✓ They are organic catalysts which are protein in nature. They speed up or slow down the rate of chemical reactions in the body without themselves being used up.

✓ They are divided into two;

*a)* Extracellular Enzymes

✓ Extracellular enzymes are produced within the cells but are used outside the cells which produce them e.g. the digestive enzymes.

- *b)* Intracellular Enzymes
- ✓ They are secreted and used within the cells which produce them e.g. the respiratory enzymes.

#### Naming of the Enzyme

 $\checkmark$  There are two methods on naming enzymes;

#### i) Trivial Naming

- Enzymes are given names of persons who discovered them.
- The names end in **-in** such as pepsin, trypsin ptyalin etc.

*ii*) Use of suffix –ase

• This is the modern method of naming. The suffix –ase is added to the substrate (type of food) or the reaction the enzyme catalyzes.

#### **Example 1**

Substrate	Enzyme
Carbohydrate	Carbohydr <b>ase</b>
Starch e.g. amylose	Amyl <b>ase</b>
Sucrose	Sucrase
Maltose	Malt <b>ase</b>

Protein	Protease
Lipid	Lip <b>ase</b>

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#### Example 2

Reaction	Enzyme
Hydrolysis	Hydrolase
Oxidation	Oxidase
Reduction	Reductase

#### **Properties of Enzymes**

1. They are protein in nature hence are affected by changes in temperature and pH.

- **2.** They are substrate specific.
- **3.** They are efficient in small amounts as they are not affected by the reactions they catalyze. They can be used again and again.
- 4. They are catalysts that speed up the rate cellular reactions and are not used up in the reactions they catalyses.
- 5. Most of the enzyme controlled reactions are reversible.

#### Factors Affecting the Rate of Enzyme Controlled Reactions

- i.) Temperature
- Enzymes are sensitive to changes in temperature and pH since they are protein in nature.
- Enzymes work best within a narrow range of temperature called the optimum temperature.
- Above the optimum temperature, reaction decreases sharply as the enzymes are denatured.
- Most enzymes have optimum temperature between 35-40°C.
- Very low temperature inactivates the enzymes hence decrease rate of reaction.

#### Diagrams

#### ii.) pH

- Most enzymes have a pH of close to 7.
- Some however work best in acidic pH e.g. pepsin while others work best in alkaline conditions.
- As pH changes from the optimum, enzyme activity decreases.
- Extreme acidity or alkalinity denatures most enzymes.

#### Diagrams

- iii.) Specificity
- Enzymes are specific in nature where a particular enzyme acts on a particular

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specific substrate.

- For example, sucrose works on sucrose and not any other substrate. iv.) Substrate Concentration and Enzyme Concentration.
- When substrate concentration increases, the rate of enzyme reaction also increases up to a certain level.
- Further increase does not increase the rate of reaction as **all the active sites** of an enzyme are occupied.
- When enzyme molecules are increased, the rate of reaction increases proportionally.

#### Diagrams

- v.) Enzyme Co-factors and Co-enzymes
- Co-factors are non protein substances which activates enzymes. They are required in small quantities and they include metallic ions such as those of iron, magnesium, zinc, copper etc. Some are vitamins.
- Co-enzymes are non protein molecules that work in association with particular enzymes. Most coenzymes are derived from vitamins.

#### vi.) Enzyme Inhibitors

- Inhibitors compete with the normal substrate for the active sites and they take up the active site of the enzyme permanently.
- There are two types of inhibitors;

### *a*) Competitive Inhibitors

These are chemicals closely related to normal substrate and they compete for active sites with the normal substrate. They slow down the rate of reaction.

#### *b*) Non Competitive Inhibitors

They do not compete with the substrate. They combine permanently with enzyme molecules thus blocking the active sites. They include poisons such as cyanides, mercury and silver-arsenic compounds.

#### **Importance of Enzymes**

Enzymes speed up the rate of cellular reactions and also control them. This way, they help prevent violent reactions in the cells.

Study Question 15 Practical Activity 9

Study Question 16

Study Question 17

Practical Activity 10

# **NUTRITION IN ANIMALS**

# (HETEROTROPHISM)

#### Meaning and Types of Heterotrophism

- This is a mode of nutrition whereby organisms feed on complex organic matter from other plants or animals.
- All animals are heterotrophs.
- Their mode of feeding is also said to be holozoic to distinguish it from other special types of heterotrophic nutrition namely:
- ▹ saprophytism
- ▶ parasitism.
- $\blacktriangleright$  Saprophytism/saprotrophysim-occursinmost fungiand some forms of bacteria.
- Saprophytes feed on dead organic matter and cause its decomposition or decay.
- Parasitism is a mode of feeding whereby one organism called the parasite feeds on or lives in another organism called the host and harms it.

#### **Modes of Feeding in Animals**

- Animals have developed various structures to capture and ingest food.
- > The type of structures present depend on the method of feeding and the type of food.
- Carnivorous animals feed on whole animals or portions of their flesh.
- Herbiverous animals feed on plant material.
- **Omnivorous** animals feed on both plants and animal materials.

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- $\blacktriangleright$  This condition is described as heterodont.
- $\blacktriangleright$  The teeth of reptiles and amphibians are all similar in shape and carry out the same function.
- They are said to be homodont.

# **Types of Mammalian Teeth**

- Mammals have four kinds of teeth.
- $\blacktriangleright$  The incisors are found at the front of the jaw.
- > They are sharp-edged and are used for biting.
- $\blacktriangleright$  The canines are located at the sides of the jaw.
- > They are pointed and are used for tearing and piercing.
- $\blacktriangleright$  The premolars are next to the canines and the molars are at the back of the jaw.
- Both premolars and molars are used for crushing and grinding.
- > Teeth are replaced only once in a lifetime.
- $\blacktriangleright$  The first set is the milk or deciduous teeth.
- $\blacktriangleright$  These are replaced by the second set or the permanent teeth.









premolar

# Different types of teeth in humans

- $\blacktriangleright$  Dentition refers to the type of teeth, the number and their arrangement in the jaw.
- $\blacktriangleright$  A dental formula shows the type and number of teeth in each half of the jaw.
- The number of teeth in half of the upper jaw is represented above a line and those on the lower jaw below the line.
- The first letter of each type of teeth is used in the formula i.e. i = incisors, c = canines, pm = premolars and m = molars.
- $\blacktriangleright$  The total number is obtained by multiplying by two (for the two halves of each jaw).

#### Adaptation of Teeth to Feeding

- In general, incisors are for cutting, canines for tearing while premolars and molars are for grinding.
- ➢ However, specific modifications are observed in different mammals as an adaptation to the type of food they eat.
- ➢ Teeth of Herbivores
- ▶ Incisors are long and flat with a sharp chisel¬like edge for cutting.
- The enamel coating is thicker in front than at the back so that as the tooth wears out, a sharp edge is maintained.
- $\blacktriangleright$  Canines are reduced or absent.
- ▶ If absent, the space left is called the diastema.
- The diastema allows the tongue to hold food and push it to the grinding teeth at the back of the mouth.

#### **Premolars and molars:**

- $\blacktriangleright$  These are transversely ridged.
- $\blacktriangleright$  The ridges on the upper teeth fit into grooves on the lower ones.
- $\blacktriangleright$  This gives a sideways grinding surface.
- > The teeth of herbivores have open roots i.e., wide opening into the pulp cavity.
- This ensures a continued adequate supply of food and oxygen to the tooth.
- ▶ In some herbivores, such as rabbits and elephants, the incisors continue to grow throughout life.

#### **Teeth of Carnivores**

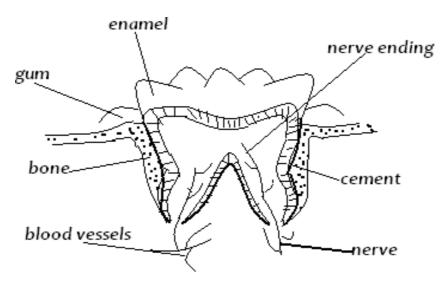
- Incisors are reduced in size and pointed.
- They are well suited for grasping food and holding prey.
- Canines are long, pointed and curved.
- > They are used for piercing and tearing flesh as well as for attack and defence.
- Premolars and molars: In general, they are long and longitudinally ridged to increase surface area for crushing.

- Carnassial Teeth: These are the last premolars on the upper jaw and the first molars on the lower one.
- ➤ They are enlarged for cutting flesh.
- $\blacktriangleright$  They act as a pair of shears.
- They also crush bones.
- The teeth of carnivores have closed roots i.e., only a very small opening of the pulp cavity to allow food and oxygen to keep teeth alive.
- $\blacktriangleright$  Once broken, no re-growth can take place.

#### **Teeth of Omnivores**

- ➢ Incisors have a wide surface for cutting.
- Canines are bluntly pointed fortearing.
- Premolars and molars have cusps for crushing and grinding.
- The premolars have two blunt cusps while the molars have three to four.

#### **Internal Structure of tooth**



Internal structure of a tooth

#### The tooth consists of two main parts:

**Crown:** The portion above the gum; it is covered by the enamel.

**Root:** The portion below the gum; it is covered by the cement.

 $\blacktriangleright$  The tooth has two roots.

**Neck**: Is the region at the same level with the gum.

- $\blacktriangleright$  It forms the junction between the crown and the root.
- ▶ It is covered by enamel. Incisors and canines have one root only.
- Premolars have one or two roots while molars have two to three roots each.
- Internally, the bulk of the tooth is made up of dentine which consists of living cells and extends to the root.
- ▶ It is composed of calcium salts, collagen and water.
- ▶ It is harder than bone but wears out with use.
- This is why it is covered by enamel which is the hardest substance in a mammal's body.

Pulp Cavity: Contains blood vessels which provide nutrients to the dentine and remove waste products.

It also contains nerve endings which detect heat, cold and pain. Cement: Fixes the tooth firmly to the jaw bone.

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# **COMMON DENTAL DISEASES**

#### **Dental Carries**

> Dental carries are the holes or cavities that are formed as acid corrodes enamel and eventually the dentine.

#### • Causes

- This is caused by bacteria acting on the food left between teeth and on the cusp.
- $\blacktriangleright$  Acids are formed that eventually corrode the enamel.
- $\blacktriangleright$  The pulp cavity is eventually reached.
- $\blacktriangleright$  A lot of pain is experienced then
- $\blacktriangleright$  The bacteria then infect the pulp cavity and the whole tooth decays.

#### Treatment

- Treatment depends on the extent of the dental caries:
- ➢ Extraction of Tooth.
- Filling this involves replacing the dentine with amalgam, a mixture of hard elements e.g. silver and tin.
- Root Canal Treatment This involves surgery and reconstruction.
- ➢ It saves severely damaged teeth.
- $\blacktriangleright$  The nerves in the root canal are surgically severed.
- $\blacktriangleright$  The tooth is cleaned and filled up with amalgam.

#### **Periodontal Diseases**

- These are diseases of the gum.
- The gum becomes inflamed, and starts bleeding.
- Progression of the disease leads to infection of the fibres in the periodontal membranes and the tooth becomes loose.
- This condition is known as pyorrhoea.
- The diseases are caused by poor cleaning of the teeth.
- The accumulation of food particles leading to formation of plaque, lack of adequate vitamin A and C in the diet.

#### Treatment

- Nutrition by taking adequate balanced diet rich in vitamins A and C.
- Antibiotics are used to killbacteria.
- Anti-inflamatory drugs are given.
- Antiseptic is prescribed to use in cleaning the mouth daily to prevent further proliferation of bacteria.
- The plaque is removed-drilled away a procedure known as scaling.

#### **Care of Teeth**

In order to maintain healthy teeth the following points should be observed:

- A proper diet that includes calcium and vitamins, particularly vitamin D is essential.
- The diet should also contain very small quantities of fluorine to strengthen the enamel.

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- Large quantities of fluorine areharmful.
- The enamel becomes brown, a condition known as dental flourosis.
- $\bullet Chewing of hard fibrous foods like carrots and sugar cane to strengthen and cleanse the teeth.$
- Proper use of teeth e.g. not using teeth to open bottles and cut thread.
- Regular and thorough brushing of teeth after meals.
- Dental floss can be used to clean between the teeth.
- Not eating sweets and sugary foods between meals.
- Regular visits to the dentist for check $\neg$ up
- $\bullet Washing the mouth with strong salt solution or with any other mouth wash with antiseptic properties.$

#### **Digestive System and Digestion in Humans**

• Organs that are involved with feeding in humans constitute the digestive system.

# **Digestive System and Associated Glands**

- Human digestive system starts at the mouth and ends at the anus.
- This is the alimentary canal.
- Digestion takes place inside the lumen of the alimentary canal.
- The epithelial wall that faces the lumen has mucus glands (goblet cells).
- These secrete mucus that lubricate food and prevent the wall from being digested by digestive enzymes.
- Present at specific regions are glands that secrete digestive enzymes.
- The liver and pancreas are organs that are closely associated with the alimentary canal.
- Their secretions get into the lumen and assist in digestions.

# Digestive system consists of:

- Mouth.
- Oesophagus.
- Stomach.
- Small intestines consist of duodenum, the first part next to the stomach, ileum the last part that ends up in a vestigial caecum and appendix which are non¬functional.
- Large intestines consist of: colon and rectum that ends in the anus.

# Ingestion, Digestion and Absorption

- Feeding in humans involves the following processes:
- Ingestion: This is the introduction of the food into the mouth.
- Digestion: This is the mechanical and chemical breakdown of the food into simpler, soluble and absorbable units.
- Absorption: Taking into blood the digested products.
- Assimilation: Use of food in bodycells.
- Mechanical breakdown of the food takes place with the help of the teeth
- Chemical digestion involves enzymes.

#### **Digestion in the Mouth**

- In the mouth, both mechanical and chemical digestion takes place.
- Food is mixed with saliva and is broken into smaller particles by the action of teeth.
- Saliva contains the enzyme amylase.
- It also contains water and mucus which lubricate and soften food in order to make swallowing easy.
- Salivais slightly alkaline and thus provides a suitable pH for amylase to act on cooked starch, changing it to maltose.
- The food is then swallowed in the form of semisolid balls known as boluses.
- Each bolus moves down the oesophagus by a process known as peristalsis.
- Circular and longitudinal muscles along the wall of the alimentary canal contract and relax pushing the food along.

#### **Digestion in the Stomach**

- In the stomach, the food is mixed with gastric juice secreted by gastric glands in the stomach wall.
- Gastric juice contains pepsin, rennin and hydrochloric acid.
- The acid provides a low pH of 1.5-2.0 suitable for the action of pepsin.
- Pepsinbreaks down protein into peptides.
- Rennin coagulates the milk protein casein.
- The stomach wall has strong circular and longitudinal muscles whose contraction mixes the food with digestive juices in the stomach.

#### **Digestion in the Duodenum**

- In the duodenum the food is mixed with bile and pancreatic juice.
- Bile contains bile salts and bile pigments.
- The salts emulsify fats, thus providing a large surface area for action of lipase.
- Pancreatic juice contains three enzymes:
- Trypsin which breaks down proteins into peptides and amino acids,

- Amylase which breaks down starch into maltose, and
- Lipase which breaks down lipids into fatty acids and glycerol.
- These enzymes act best in an alkaline medium which is provided for by the bile.

# **Digestion in ileum**

- Epithelial cells in ileum secrete intestinal juice, also known as succus entericus.
- This contains enzymes which complete the digestion of protein into amino acids, carbohydrates into monosaccharides and lipids into fatty acids and glycerol.

# Absorption

- This is the diffusion of the products of digestion into the blood of the animal.
- It takes place mainly in the small intestines though alcohol and some glucose are absorbed in the stomach.

# The ileum is adapted for absorption in the following ways:

- It is highly coiled.
- The coiling ensures that food moves along slowly to allow time for its digestion and absorption.
- It is long to provide a large surface area for absorption.
- The epithelium has many finger-like projections called villi (singular villus).
- They greatly increase the surface area for absorption.
- Villi have microvilli that further increase the surface area for absorption.
- The wall of villi has thin epithelial lining to facilitate fast diffusion of products of digestion.
- Has numerous blood vessels for transport of the end products of digestion.
- Has lacteal vessels; for absorption of fatty acids and glycerol and transport of lipids.

# Absorption of Glucose and Amino Acids

- Glucose and other monosaccharides as well as amino acids are absorbed through the villi epithelium and directly into the blood capillaries.
- First they are carried to the liver through the hepatic portal vein, then taken to all organs via circulatory system.

# Absorption of Fatty Acids and Glycerol

- $\bullet Fatty acids and glycerol diffuse through the epithelial cells of villi and into the lacteal.$
- When inside the villi epithelial cells, the fatty acids combine with glycerol to make tiny fat droplets which give the lacteal a milky appearance.
- The lacteals join the main lymph vessel that empties its contents into the bloodstream in the thoracic region.
- Once inside the blood, the lipid droplets are hydrolysed to fatty acids and glycerol.

# Absorption of Vitamins and Mineral Salts

- Vitamins and mineral salts are absorbed into the blood capillaries in the villi. Water is mainly absorbed in the colon.
- As a result the undigested food is in a semi-solid form (faeces) when it reaches the rectum.
- Egestion: This is removal of undigested or indigestible material from the body. Faeces are temporarily stored in the rectum then voided through the anus.
- Opening of the anus is controlled by sphincter muscles
- Assimilation: This is the incorporation of the food into the cells where it is used for various chemical processes.

#### Carbohydrates

- used to provide energy for the body.
- Excess glucose is converted to glycogen and stored in the liver and muscles.
- Some of the excess carbohydrates are also converted into fat in the liver and stored in the adipose tissue' (fat storage tissue), in the mesenteries and in the connective tissue under the skin, around the heart and other internal organs.

#### **Proteins**

- Amino acids are used to build new cells and repair worn out ones.
- They are also used for the synthesis of protein compounds.
- Excess amino acids are de-aminated in the liver.
- Urea is formed from the nitrogen part.
- The remaining carbohydrate portion is used for energy or it is converted to glycogen or fat and stored.

#### Lipids

- Fats are primarily stored in the fat storage tissues.
- When carbohydrates intake is low in the body, fats are oxidised to provide energy.
- They are also used as structural materials e.g. phospholipids in cell membrane. They act as cushion, protecting delicate organs like the heart.
- Stored fats under the skin act as heat insulators.

#### Summary of digestion in humans

Digest and ju produ	ice	p F	Contents	Food	Product s	Notes
Saliv			Water, and salts			Soften and lubricate food, provide neutral pH.
ary glan ds (Saliv a)	р	7.4	Amylase	Starch	Maltose	Glucose if food stays longer in mouth.
						Not an enzyme but
Stoma	ach	1 8	Hydrochl ori acid	Nucleo- proteins	Nucleic + protei n	the nuclear proteins. 1. Kills micro-organisms. 2. Provides acidic medium. 3. Activates enzyme pepsinogen and protennin.
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		Remm	protein	ted	prorennin.
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					Secreted as trypsinogen
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				es	enterokinase trypsin
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		bicarbon			conditions
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(succus entericus	Lactase	Lactose	Galacto se gluco se	
	Maltase	Maltose	Glucos e	
	Lipase	Lipids	Fatty acids and	
	Enteroki nas e			Activates trypsinogen to trypsin.

# **Importance of Vitamins, Mineral Salts, Roughage and Water in Human Nutrition** Vitamins

- These are organic compounds that are essential for proper growth, development and functioning of the body.
- Vitamins are required in very small quantities.
- They are not stored and must be included in the diet.
- Vitamins Band C are soluble in water, the rest are soluble in fat.
- Various vitamins are used in different ways.

#### **Mineral Salts**

- Mineral ions are needed in the human body.
- Some are needed in small amounts while others are needed in very small amounts (trace).
- All are vital to human health.
- Nevertheless, their absence results in noticeable mulfunction of the body processes.

#### Water

- Water is a constituent of blood and intercellular fluid.
- It is also a constituent of cytoplasm.
- Water makes up to 60-70% of total fresh weight in humans.
- No life can exist without water.

#### **Functions of Water**

- Acts as a medium in which chemical reactions in the body takes place.
- Acts as a solvent and it is used to transport materials within the body.
- Acts as a coolant due to its high latent heat of vaporisation.
- Hence, evaporation of sweat lowers body temperature.
- Takes part in chemical reactions i.e. hydrolysis.

#### Vitamins, sources, uses and the deficiency disease resulting from their absence in diet

Name of	Sources	Uses in body	Deficiency	Ι
Vitamin				
	Liver, egg-	Synthesis of	Hardening of cornea of the ey	ye
A (retinol)	yolk,	rhodopsin,	(xerophthalmia), poor night	
Soluble	carrots,		resistance to diseases of skin	n
	milk,	Control of growth of		
	spinach	epithelium	is reduced.	
	Yeast,	Formation f the	Beriberi - swelling of the feet	t;
В,	whole	enzyme	slowing of heartbeat and	
(Thiamine)	grain, liver,	carboxylase important	intestinal disorder.	
	kidney,	in conversion of		
	beans,	pyruvic		
	meat,	respiration.		
	spinach			
	Whole	Formation of		
	grain,	f1avoproteins that	Sores on tongue surface	
B2	eggs, milk,	form	and comers of the	
(Riboflavin	groundnut		mouth.	
)	s,			
	cheese,			
	yeast			
	Liver,	Makes co-enzyme 1		
	kidneys,	and 2		

	whole grain.	co-enzyme A needed in respiration.	nervous disorders leading to
B,	In most	Forms parts of co-	Poor co-ordination of
(Pantotheni	foods	enzyme A.	nervous muscle cramp.
c acid)			
	Eggs,		
B6	kidneys,	Makes a co-enzyme	Irritability, depression,
(Pryidoxine)	whole	for amino acids	dermatitis.
water	grain,	metabolism.	
soluble	vegetable		
	s.		
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	Milk, eggs, liver,	In intracellular body	Nervour
	vegetables,	fluids	transmission
	bananas.		interfered with.
		transmission.	
		Present in tissue fluid.	
Chloride p	Table salt, sea	water balance essential	
	foods.	for	

		digestion. Constituent of	
		hydrochloric acid.	
		Also needed as a co-	
Magnesium	Green vegetables.	factor	
		respirator enzymes.	
		Muscle contraction.	
	Iodised table salt	Constituent of the	In young animals
Iodine	and	hormone	leads
	food.	thyroxine that controls	cretinism. Simple
		metabolism.	goitre adults.
Manganese	Eggs, milk, fish.	Activates certain	
		enzymes.	
	Liver, greet	A constituent of	
Iron	vegetable	haemoglobin and	Anaemia.
	leaves, lean meat,	myoblobin.	
	grains, milk.		
		A constituent of some	
		needed in synthesis of	
Sulphur	Protein foods	certain	
		enzymes and	
		phospholipids	
		in	
		cell membranes.	
		Catalyses use of iron, a	
		constituent of cytochrome	Needed in very small
Copper		oxidase (an enzyme)	
			amounts.
Cobalt		Influences the use of	Needed in very small
		iron (found in Vitamin	amounts.
		~2)'	

	Fruits and	Needed for proper	Needed in very small
	vegetables. Seeds	growth	amounts.
	of		
		insulin.	
	Water, fruits and		
Fluorine		Strengthening of enamel	Needed in small
	vegetables.		amounts.
	Plant seeds	Activates enzyme	Very small amounts
Molybdenu		system in	needed,
m			
		mucleic acid	excess is dangerous.
		metabolism.	
Chromium		Involved in use of	Needed in small
		glucose.	

#### Roughage

- Roughage is dietary fibre and it consists mainly of cellulose.
- It adds bulk to the food and provides grip for the gut muscles to enhance peristalsis.
- Roughage does not provide any nutritional value because humans and all animals not produce cellulase enzyme to digest cellulose.
- In herbivores symbiotic bacteria in the gut produce cellulase that digests cellulose.

#### **Factors Determining Energy Requirements in Humans**

- Age: Infants, for instance, need a greater proportion of protein than adults.
- Sex: males generally require more carbohydrates than females.
- The requirements of specific nutrients for females depends on the stage of development in the life cycle.
- Adolescent girls require more iron in their diet; expectant and nursing mothers require a lot of proteins and mineral salts.
- State of Health: A sick individual requires more of certain nutrients e.g. proteins, than a healthy one.
- Occupation: An office worker needs less nutrients than a manual worker.

#### **Balanced Diet**

- A diet is balanced when it contains all the body's nutrient requirements and in the right amounts or proportions.
- A balanced diet should contain the following:
- Carbohydrates
- Proteins
- Lipids
- Vitamins
- Mineral Salts
- Water
- Dietary fibre or roughage

#### Malnutrition

• This is faulty or bad feeding where the intake of either less or more than the required amount of food or total lack of some food components.

#### **Deficiency Diseases**

• Deficiency diseases result from prolonged absence of certain components in the diet.

Examples are:

#### Marasmus:

• Lack of enough food reuslts in thin arms and legs,

- $\blacktriangleright$  severe loss of fluid,
- general body wasting
- $\blacktriangleright$  sunken eyes.

#### • Kwashiorkor –

- Lack of protein in the diet of children.
- The symptoms of kwashiorkor include wasting of the body, red thin hair, swollen abdomen and scaly skin.
- Other deficiency diseases are due to lack of accessory food factors (vitamins and mineral salts.).
   Such diseases include rickets, goitre and anaemia.
- ✓ Treatment of these deficiency diseases is by supplying the patient with the component missing in the diet.

# **TOPICAL QUESTIONS FOR BIOLOGY**

#### FORM I TOPICS

#### 1.a) Define biology

-the study of life/living things

#### b) List the branches of biology

- Zoology (study of animals)
- Botany (study of plants)
- Microbiology (study of microorganisms)

#### c) Explain the importance of biology

- helps to solve environmental problems
- Helps to learn scientific skills
- For entry into other professions/careers
- To apply knowledge to everyday life situations
- To classify organisms into their right groups
- understanding living organisms

#### d) State the characteristics of living organisms

- feeding/nutrition
- Growth and development
- respiration (to produce energy)
- sensitivity/irritation/response
- excretion (getting rid of metabolic waste material)
- movement/locomotion
- reproduction

#### e) State the main differences between plants and animals

Animals	Plants	
Specialized excretory organs	No specialized excretory organs	
Respond to stimulus quickly	Slow respond to stimulus	
Allbody parts grow equally (intercalary)	Grow at shoot tip and root tip only	

Move around to look for food	Stationery	
Heterotrophic	Autotrophic	
Cells have no cell walls	Cells have cell wall made of cellulose	
No chlorophyll	Contain chlorophyll	
Give parental care to young	Plants don't care for their young	

#### 2.a) i) What is a hand lens?

- Convex lens mounted on a frame and used to magnify small objects for viewing.

#### ii) How is a hand lens used?

- place the lens a short distance from the eye
- Bring the object to be viewed near the lens until an enlarged and clear image can be seen.

#### *ii*) When is a hand lens used?

- For reasonably sized objects such as insect wing, leg, flower parts.
- Cannot be used for small objects such as cells, stomata.

#### iv) Explain how to calculate drawing magnification

- drawing magnification equals to length of drawing divided by length of object or image length divided

or image length

by actual length i.e. length of drawing

Length of object actual length

#### b) i) what is classification?

- Orderly arrangement of living organisms into various groups according to their similarities

#### *ii*) List the external features used to classify plants

- rhizoids(e.g. mosses)
- Frond (e.g. ferns)
- roots e.g. taproot, fibrous roots, modified roots
- flowers
- leaves
- buds
- seeds

#### iii) List the external features used to classify animals

- horns e.g. cattle, goat, sheep, deer, gazelle etc
- hooves e.g. cattle, sheep, donkey
- mammary glands e.g. cattle, dog, sheep, cat
- hair e.g. human, cat
- Shell e.g. snail, Tortoise
- spines e.g. hedge hog, porcupine

#### c) Give the reasons why classification is important

- Placing/grouping living organisms into correct groups called taxa
- Identification
- arrange information about living organisms into orderly and sequential manner i.e. it is easy to study organisms ingroups
- -helps in understanding evolutionary relationships
- monitoring disappearance and appearance of organisms i.e. predict characteristics of organisms

#### d) i) Name the taxonomic units of classification in descending order

- Kingdom (largest unit)
- Phylum (animals)/division (plants)
- Class
- Order
- Family
- Genus
- Species(smallest unit)

#### *ii*) What is a species?

- all organisms which can interbreed and give rise to fertile (viable) offspring

#### iii) Name the major kingdoms used in classification

- -monera
- -protoctista/protista
- -fungi
- -plantae

-animalia

#### e) i) Define the term binomial nomenclature

- a scientific system of naming organisms using the generic/genus and specific/species names
- e.g. for humans, Homo sapiens

#### *ii*) State the principles followed during binomial nomenclature

- the first (generic) name should begin with a capital letter while the rest are small letters the two names are printed in italics and if handwritten should be underlined each separately

#### iii) Give the advantages of using binomial nomenclature

- no confusion about which organism is referred to
- names are internationally accepted regardless of language
- shows evolutionary relationship hence easy to understand
- useful in naming many species unlike use of common names

#### *iv*) Name the types of classification

- traditional (using common names)
- scientific(using binomial nomenclature)

#### 3.a) i) Define the term cell

- it is the basic unit of organization of an organismi.e. the basic functional and structural unit of an organism.

#### *ii*) What is cell biology?

- study of structure and functioning of a cell
- also called cytology b)i) What is a microscope?
- an instrument used to magnify objects and make them appear bigger.

#### *ii*) Name the types of microscope

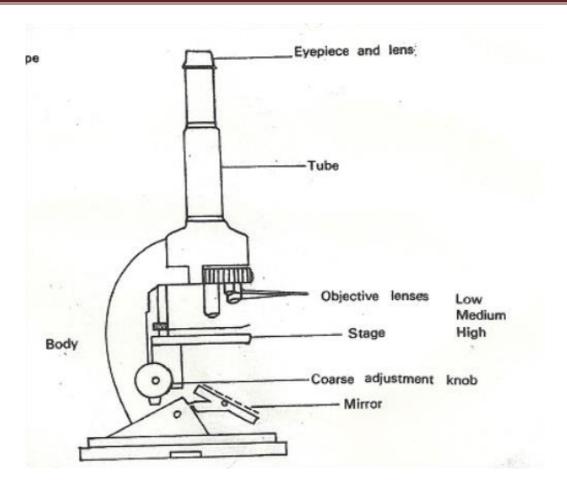
- the light microscope
- the electron microscope

#### iii) State the purpose of using a light microscope

- it magnifies and reveals the structure details of tiny objects such as the cell, that cannot be seen by the human eye directly

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# *iv)* Draw a labeled sketch of a light microscope



#### *v*) State the functions of the labeled parts

- a.) Eyepiece used to look through and to magnify the object
- b.) Course adjustment knob raises or lowers body tube and focuses object roughly
- c.) Fine adjustment knob raises or lowers body tube by small distances to bring image into fine

focus d.) **objective lens** brings image into focus and also magnifies

#### object/image

- stage is a platform where object or specimen on slide is placed
- mirror reflects light through condenser and directs it to objective lens
- clips hold glass slide in position
- body tube holds eyepiece and revolving nose piece which has objective lenses
- limb or base support whole instrument
- arm for holding when carrying instrument
- revolving nose piece holds objective lens in place enabling change from one objective lens to another

#### e) i) Explain the procedure followed when using a microscope

- put the microscope on the bench with the stage facing away from you (viewer)

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- turn the lower power objective to click in line with the eyepiece
- Ensure that the diaphragm/iris is fully open
- Adjust the mirror until the stage is illuminated with enough light
- Place the slide containing the specimen on the stage for magnification
- Draw the image and indicate magnification of the drawing.

#### *ii*) State the precautions that are necessary when handling a microscope

- always use two hands when carrying it
- never place a microscope too close to the edge of the bench or table
- do not touch the mirror and lens with wet or dirty hands
- clean dirty lenses using a special lens cleaning cloth
- clean other parts using a soft cloth or tissue paper
- low power objective must click into position before and after use.
- Do not wet any part of the microscope
- Clean and store well after use

#### d) i) What is magnification?

- The power of making an image larger

#### ii) Give the formula used to calculate magnification in a light microscope

• eyepiece lens magnification x objective lens magnification

# *iii*) Give the reasons for each of the following steps when preparing a cross-section of a stem or leaf for examination under the microscope

#### cutting very thin sections

- thin sections allow light to pass through making it easy to observe the tissue Using a sharp razor blade during thecutting
- sharp blade does not damage, deform, destroy or distort the surface of cell or tissue
- it makes thin sections **Placing sections in water**
- to maintain turgidity hence maintain shape of cell
- it prevents drying of the section

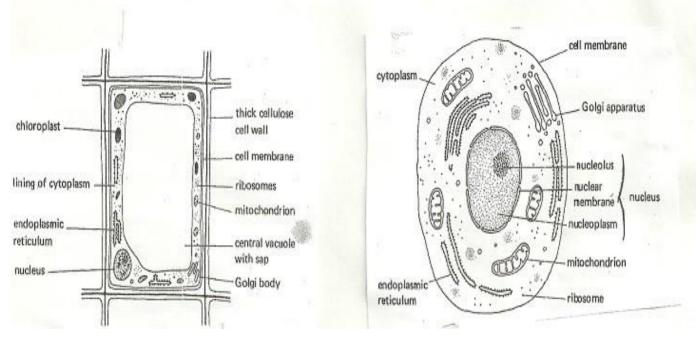
#### Staining the sections with iodine before observing

 $\bullet {\it To} make chloroplasts, starch containing structures, granules or plastids distinct.$ 

e) i) List the parts of a cell that can be seen under a light microscope a cell membrane

# b cytoplasm c cell wall

#### e nucleus d vacuole



- *ii*) Draw the general structure of a plant and animal cell
- *iii*) List the parts of a cell that can be seen under an electronic microscope and state the functions of each part.

#### Cell wall

- found in plant cells in addition to cell membrane
- made of cellulose which makes the plant tough
- $\bullet allows gases, water and other substances to pass through \ {\bf Cell \ membrane}$
- permeable/selective to control movement of materials in and out of cells
- bound/encloses the cell contents
- also called plasma membrane or plasmallema Cytoplasm
- fluid medium where chemical reactions occur
- $\bullet also where cell organelles are suspended \ {\bf Nucleus}$
- controls cell activities Nucleolus
- synthesizes DNA Vacuole
- sacs filled with fluid called cellsap
- large in plants but small in animals
- $\bullet\ actas reservoirs for food and harmful wastes which would otherwise interfere\ with\ the\ metabolism\ in$

#### cytoplasm

#### Lysosomes

- store hydrolytic enzymes
- Destroy worn out cell organelles, cells, pathogens
- digestion of food in unicellular organisms
- autolysis Golgi apparatus
- processing/packaging of synthesized materials
- transporting/secretion of packaged materials/cell materials e.g. glycoproteins and mucus
- production of lysosomes
- where protein synthesis takes place Mitochondrion
- synthesis of ATP/energy Chloroplasts
- where photosynthesis takes place Endoplasmic reticulum
- transport of cell secretions
- can be rough or smooth

#### iv) State the functions of cell sap

- stores chemical substances, sugar, salts
- maintains shape of the cell/provides mechanical strength
- plays a role in osmoregulation by creating an osmotic gradient that brings about movement of water

#### e) Compare plant and animal cells

- plant cells have chloroplasts lacking in animals
- $\bullet animal cells have many small vacuoles while plant cells have a large central vacuole$
- plant cell have cellulose cell walls lacking in animal cells
- cytoplasm in plant cell is in the periphery but in animal cell it is centrally placed
- plants store starch, oil and protein while animals store gats and glycogen
- animal cells have centrioles which plant cells do not have

#### *f*) Explain the meaning of each of the following

#### i)Cell

- Basic unit of organization in an organism
- Specialized animal cells include sperm, ovum muscle
- Specialized plant cells include epidermal, guard cell and palisade cell
- ii) Tissue

- these are cells of a particular type grouped together to perform a certain function
- animal tissues include epithelium, blood, nerves, muscle, skeletal and connective tissues
- $\bullet \ plant tissues include epidermal, photosynthetic, vascular, strengthening tissues$

#### iii) Organ

- tissues combine together to formorgans
- an organ is a complex structure with a particular function
- Animal examples include heart, liver, kidney, lungs, brain, blood vessels, muscles, skeleton
- Plant organs include leaves, roots, flowers, and stem.

#### *iv*) Organ system

- organs are grouped together to form systems also called organ systems
- animal systems include excretory, digestive, respiratory, nervous, circulatory, endocrine(hormones/glands), skeletal systems
- plant systems include transport system

#### g) i) Name the structures which are present in plant cells but absent in animal cells

- Chloroplast
- Cell wall

#### ii) Name the structures which are present in animal cells but absent in plant cells

- •Lysosomes
- Centrioles
- Pinocytic vesicles

#### *h*) Explain how to estimate cell size

#### i) Materials

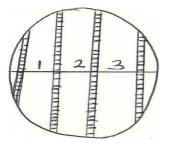
- cell sizes are measured in units known as micrometers (my)
- required is a transparent ruler marked in millimeters
- $1m\mu = 1 mm$

1000

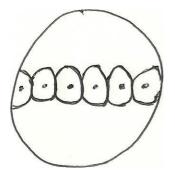
#### ii) Procedure

- Click to low power
- place transparent ruler with its millimeter marks on the stage
- focus so that the millimeter marks can be seen as thick dark lines
- estimate the diameter of field of view by counting the one millimeter spaces between the first mark

and the last one across the field of view as shown below



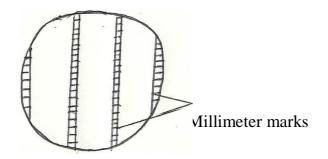
- the diameter of the field of view above is estimated as 3.2 mm
- convert the diameter of the field of view from millimeters to micrometers i.e. 3.2/1000
- Estimate the fraction of the field of view occupied by the cell. This is done by estimating the number of cells places end to end that would fill the diameter of the field of view as shown below



- in the figure above, it is estimated that approximately six cells will occupy the diameter of the field of view
- therefore, one cell will occupy 1/6 of the field of view
- its diameter is calculated as 1/6 times the diameter of the field of view

i) In a drawing of a giraffe, the height of the head from the ground was recorded as 10cm. the drawing also showed a magnification of 0.02. calculate the actual height of the giraffe
 Drawing height = 10cm = 500cm Magnification 0.02

*ii)* In a class experiment to estimate sizes of cells a student observed and obtained millimeter marks on the field of view of a microscope as shown in the diagram below.



- If the student counted 40 cells on the diameter of the field of view, what was the approximate size of

the each cell in micrometers?

Diameter of field of view =  $3 \times 1000 = 75 \text{ m}\mu$  Number of cells 40

## *iii)* Under which of the following light microscope magnifications would one see a larger part of the specimen? X40 or x400? Give a reason

- x40
- Smaller magnification gives a wider field of view hence a larger part seen. e.) a) i) Define cell

#### physiology

• the study of the functions of a cell in relation to their structure

#### *ii)* State the functions of the cell

- exchange of materials between the cell and the external environment
- physiological reactions e.g. photosynthesis
- production of energy through mitochondria

#### b) i) Describe the structure of cell membrane

- made up of three layers
- Lipid portion sandwiched between two protein layers
- Lipid portion enhances penetration of oil soluble substances

Pores present to facilitate inward and outward movement of water soluble substances

#### *iii)* Give the properties of cell membrane

- semi-permeable
- sensitive to changes in temperature and pH
- Possesses electric charges.

#### c) i) What is diffusion?

• movement of substances/molecules/particles/ions from a region of high concentrationto aregion of low concentration (until equilibrium is reached)

#### *iv)* State the factors affecting diffusion

- diffusion gradient/concentration gradient
- surface area to volume ratio
- temperature
- size of molecules
- state of the diffusing substance
- thickness of membrane and tissues

#### iii) Explain the roles of diffusion in living organisms

- gaseous exchange
- absorption of digested food in intestines
- movement of salts in plants
- movement of materials between blood capillaries and tissues
- removal of waste materials from bodies of small organisms
- air movement in intercellular spaces in plants

#### v) Suggest an experiment to demonstrate diffusion

- to a beaker of water, drop crystals of potassium permanganate or copper sulphate
- leave to stand in a place without disturbing
- observe the spreading of molecules
- liquid is coloured uniformly due to diffusion

#### d) i) What is osmosis?

• Movement of water or solvent molecules from a dilute/hypotonic solution to a more concentrated/hypertonic solution across a semi-permeable membrane.

#### OR

• movement of solvent molecules from a region of their higher concentration to a region of their lower concentration through a semi-permeable membrane

#### ii) State the factors affecting osmosis

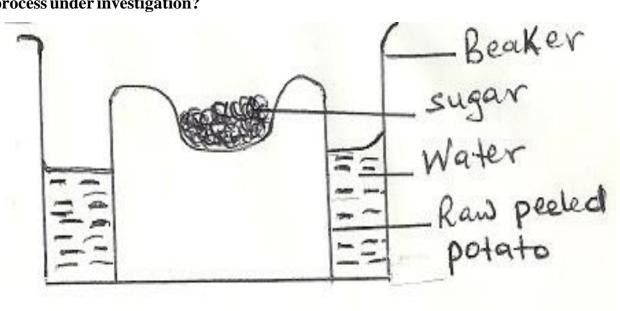
- concentration of the solution
- concentration gradient
- temperature

#### iv) Explain the roles of osmosis in living organisms

- helps to draw water into roots of plants
- Helps in the passage of water from one living cell to another in the plant
- helps to keep plant cells turgid increasing support
- Helps in opening and closing of stomata.
- Folding of leaves in Mimosa pudica when touched
- Feeding in insectivorous plants
- *vi*) A group of students set up an experiment to investigate a certain physiological

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After some time they observed that the level of sugar had risen. What was the physiological process under investigation?



#### • Osmosis

#### Why was there a rise in the level of sugar solution?

- sugar solution is more concentrated than cell sap osmosis
- those cells become more concentrated and therefore draw water from neighbouring cells
- this process continues until the cells in contact with the water in the container draw it up causing a rise in the level of the sugar solution

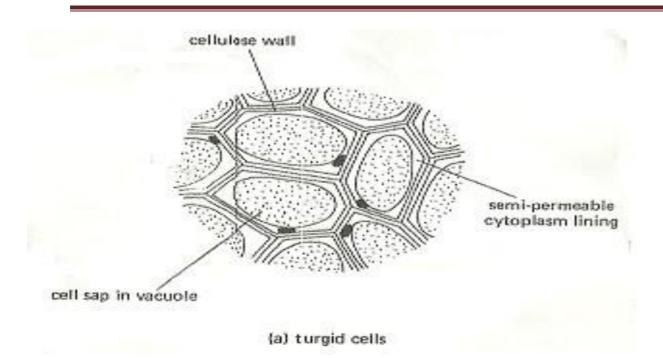
### Suggest the results that the students would obtain if they repeated the experiment using cooked potato

- The level of sugar solution will not rise. What is the reason for your suggestion?
- boiling kills/destroys cells making them osmotically inactive

#### *vii)* Explain the following terms Hypnotic

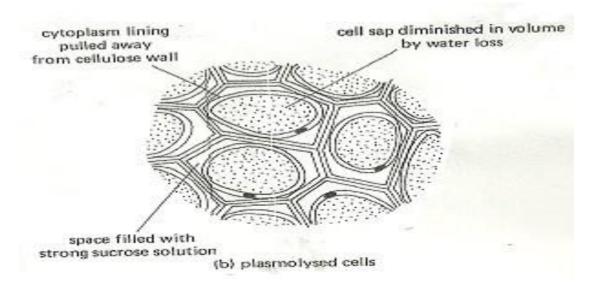
- a solution whose concentration is lower than that of the cell Isotonic
- a solution whose concentration is the same as that of the cell Hypertonic
- a solution whose concentration is higher than that of the cell **Turgor pressure**
- As a cell gains water, its vacuole enlarges and exerts an outward pressure called turgor pressure.

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#### Plasmolysis

- if a plant is placed in a hypotonic solution if loses water
- the protoplasm shrinks to an extent that it pulls away from the cellulose cell wall

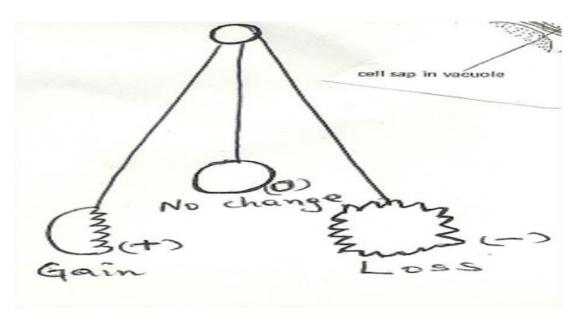


#### Wilting

- when aplant is turgidit can stand upright
- however, if the cells lose a lot of water, turgidity is reduced
- the plant then droops because the cells are flaccid
- the plant is said to wilt **Haemolysis**
- if red blood cells are placed in distilled water, the cells take up water by osmosis, swell and burst

- this is because it does not have any mechanism like the cellulose cell wall to prevent overstretching nor any means of removing excess water
- this is called haemolysis
- *e)* A form one student placed red blood cells in different salt concentrations and obtained the following results:-

There was a gain (+) no change (0 zero) and a loss (-) in the volume of the cells as show below:



#### Briefly explain the results of the experiment

- in the first solution, red blood cell absorbed water by osmosis, swell and burst (haemolysis) hence the solution is hypotonic
- in the second solution, there was no change in size or structure as it was isotonic hence no osmotic gradient
- in the third solution the red blood cell lost water to shrink hence became crenated as the solution was hypotonic to the cell cytoplasm.

#### *f*) i) What is active transport?

- movement of molecules and ions against a concentration gradient
- the substances move from a lower to a higher concentration gradient by use of energy

#### *ii*) State the factors affecting active transport

- oxygen concentration
- temperature
- change in pH

- glucose concentration
- enzyme inhibitors

#### *iii*) Why is oxygen important in the process of active transport?

- Oxygenisrequired for respiration, which produces energy necessary for the process to occur.

### 2.0 ) the factors that affect the rates of the following process in living organisms. a.) DIFFUSION.

- **Diffusion gradient** which refers to the difference in concentration of molecules between the region of high concentration and the region of low concentration. Increasing the concentration gradient causes an increase in rate of diffusion and vice versa.
- -Surface area to volume ratio .is the ratio of total surface area exposed by an organism compared to its body volume. Small sized living organisms have a large surface area to
- Volume ratio. The larger the surface area to volume ratio, the high the rate of diffusion and vice versa. Small organisms like amoeba and paramecium can hence rely on diffusion for transport of substances into and within its body and removal of waste products
- -thickness of membranes. Molecules take longer to diffuse across thick membranes than across thin membranes hence the thin the membrane the higher the rate of diffusion.
- **-Temperature.** Increasing temperature increases the kinetic energy of diffusing molecules making them to spread faster. Increasing temperature increases the rate of diffusion and vice versa
- -size of molecules/molecular weight.Small sized molecules/molecules of low molecular weight move/diffuse faster hence the rate of diffusion is high where the molecules involved are small or have low molecular weight and vice versa.

#### **B.)OSMOSIS**

- -Temperature. Increasing temperature increases the kinetic energy of water molecules making them to spread faster. Increasing temperature increases the rate of osmosis and vice versa
- -concentration gradient/diffusion pressure deficit. Refers to the difference in concentration on either side of a semi-permeable membrane. The higher the osmotic pressure difference the higher the rate of osmosis.

#### C.) ACTIVE TRANSPORT

**OXYGEN CONCENTRATION.** It is required for respiration/to oxidize respiratory substrates to release energy required for active transport. an increase in oxygen concentration causes a simultaneous

increase to the rate of active transport up to a certain level.

- **P**<sup>H</sup> Enzymes being protein in nature are P<sup>H</sup> specific. Extreme change in P<sup>H</sup> affect therate of respiration which is controlled by enzymes and may denature the enzymes reducing the rate of active transport.
- -GLUCOSE CONCENTRATION. is the main respiratory substrate for energy production. An increase in glucose concentration in cells increase the rate of respiration and hence the rate of active transport is increased upto a certain optimum level beyond which any additional increase in glucose concentration has no effect.
- **TEMPERATURE.** The process of respiration by which energy for active transport is generated is controlled by enzymes. Enzymes work best at temperatures of between  $35^{\circ}c-40^{\circ}c$ , usually called optimum temperature ranges. At very low temperatures enzymes are inactive lowering the rate of respiration hence low rates of active transport. increase in temperature above optimum ( above  $40^{\circ}c$ ) denatures enzymes slowing down respiration and ac tive transport until it finally stops.
- **ENZYMES INHIBITORS.** They are substances which slow down (by competing with the enzyme for the active sites in the substrate) or stop (by blocking the active sites of the enzyme) the activity/funtioning of enzymes .this slows down or stops respiration and so is active transport.

#### ${\bf CONCENTRATION OF CARRIER MOLECULES IN THE CELL MEMBRANE.}$

- They are substances that bind to the ions being transported actively and carrying them across the membrane.increase in concentration of carrier molecules increases the rate of active transport up to a certain level and vice versa.
- 4.) Explain briefly the role of osmosis in living tissues. In plants:
- Osmosis facilitates the absorption of water from the soil by plantroots, water is required for the process of photosynthesis.
- Turgidity of cells contributes to support in herbaceous plants and helps plant to maintain shape.
- Helps in closing and opening of stomata regulating the process of gaseous exchange and transpiration.
- It facilitates feeding in insectivorous plants like venus fly trap. In animals:
- Enables reabsorption of water from the kidney tubules back to blood stream facilitating the process of osmoregulation.
- Itenables organisms in fresh water bodies like amoebato absorb water. it is applied in food preservation.

5.) explain what happens when plant and animal cells are put in hypotonic and hypertonic solutions.

#### a.i)plant cells in hypotonic solution.

The concentration of the plant cell sap is hypertonic to the solution/water medium. the cell draws in water by osmosis through the cell wall, cell membrane into the cell cytoplasm. Water enters the cell vacuole by osmosis; it enlarges and exerts an outward pressure on the cell wall called turgor pressure. Increased turgor pressure pushes the cell cytoplasm against the cell wall until the cell wall cannot stretch any further. The cell becomes firm or rigid and is said to be turgid. As the cell wall is being stretched outwards, it develops a resistant inwards pressure that is equal and opposite to the turgor pressure and this is called wall pressure.

#### ii.) Plant cells in hypertonic solution.

The plant cell sap is hypotonic to the solution medium. Water molecules are drawn out of the plant cells by osmosis into the hypertonic solution through the semi-permiable membrane of the plant cells. As a result the plant cell will start to shrink/less rigid and become flabby. The cell membrane/plasma membrane is pulled away from the cell wall and the cell is said to be flaccid. this process by which a plant cell lose water, shrink and become flaccid is called plasmolysis. However the shape of the plant cell is maintained by the tough rigid cellulose cell wall which prevents crenation in plant cells.

#### b.i) Animal cells in hypotonic solution.

The concentration of water in the cytoplasm of the plant cells is hypertonic to the solution medium in the test. Water molecules are then drawn into the animal cell cytoplasm from the surrounding medium by osmosis through the semipermiable membrane. the cell swells as water is drawn into them by osmosis .as water continues to enter into the cell, the weak animal cell membrane bursts a process called lysis. in red blood cells this process is called haemolysis. However in unicellular organisms like amoeba and paramecium, bursting of their cells does not take place because they have specialized organelles called contractile vacuoles for removal of exces water out of their bodies/cells.

#### ii.) Animal cells in hypertonic solution.

The concentration of the animal cells cell cytoplasm is hypotonic to the solution medium in the test. the surrounding hypertonic solution will draw water out of the animal cells by osmosis through the semi-permeable membrane. Continued loss of water causes the cells to be smaller in size and their membranes become wrinkled. This process will continue until the concentration of the cell sap and the surrounding medium is equal i.e isotonic.the process by which animal cells lose water and shrink is called crenation.

#### 6.) Explain briefly the role of active transport in living organisms.

It is involved in active reabsorption of glucose and mineral salts in kidney tubules during formation of urine. it enables the absorption of digested food from the alimentary canal/small intestines into the blood stream. Excretion of waste products from body cells for eventual removal. Involved in transmission of nerve impulses within the nerve cells through the sodium pump which maintains a balance between sodium and potassium ions. It facilitates accumulation of substances in the body cells to offset osmotic pressure of organisms in dry and marine environment allowing them to absorb water by osmosis and avoid desiccation. In plants it enables plant roots to absorb water from the soil against the concentration gradient. It's involved in translocation of manufactured food in the phloem tissue within the plant body. It's involved in the opening and closing of the stomata through the sodium-potassium pump mechanism.

#### *iv*) Outline the roles of active transport in living organisms

- mineral salt intake by plants
- selective reabsorption of glucose and some salts by kidney tubules
- absorption of digested good by small intestines
- excretion of waste products from bodycells
- reabsorption of useful materials in the blood stream or at the tissue fluid
- sodium pump mechanism in the nerve cells/neurons f.) a) i) Define nutrition
- the process by which living organisms obtain and assimilate nutrients

#### *ii*) State the importance of nutrition

- for respiration to get energy
- for growth
- for development
- to repair and replace worn out and damaged parts and tissues

#### b) Differentiate the various modes of feeding

#### i)Autotrophism

- manufacturing food from simple organic substances
- types are photosynthesis and chemosynthesis

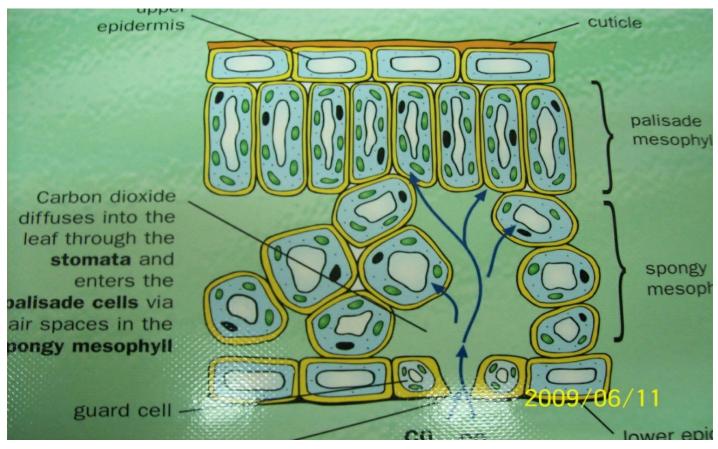
#### *ii)* Heterotrophism

- obtaining food from autotrophes and other organic substances
- types are holozoic, saprophytic and parasitic g.) a) i) Define photosynthesis
- the process by which green plants build up organic compounds from carbon IV oxide and water in the presence of sunlight

#### ii. State the importance of photosynthesis

- formation of sugars/glucose which is a source of energy
- purification of air(CO2 is used, O2 is released)
- storage of energy to be used later in respiration
- stores energy in wood, coal, oil to be used later to run industries Structural adaptation of the leaf to

#### itsfunction



The leaf has a broad and flattened lamina to provide a large surface area for trapping optimum light for photosynthesis and allow maximum gaseous exchange.

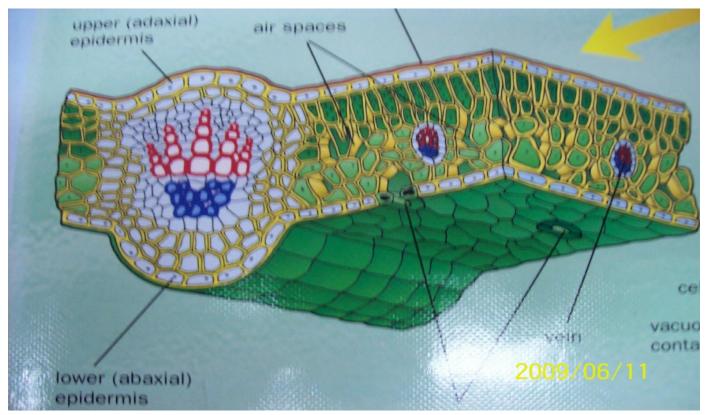
The leaf epidermis is thin (one cell thick) to reduce the distance across which diffusion of carbon (iv) oxide gas to palisade cells and oxygen gas from palisade cells takes place. The leaf has numerous stomata that allows easy diffusion of gases into and out of the palisade tissue.

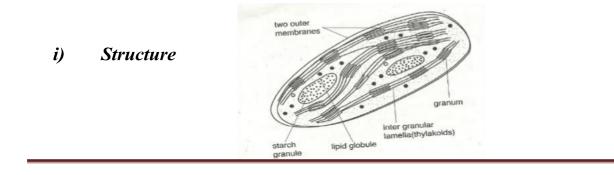
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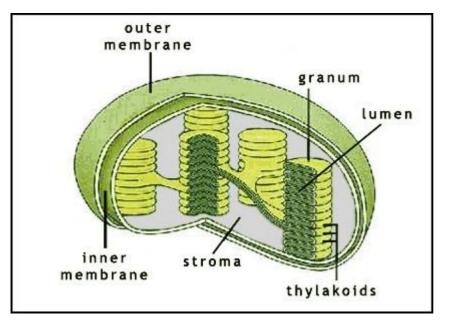
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tissue.

- The palisade cells are numerous, elongated and contain numerous chloroplasts to trapping optimum light for photosynthesis.
- The palisade tissue is just beneath the upper epidermis exposing them to trap optimum light for photosynthesis.
- The leaf has numerous leaf veins consisting of a.) xylem vessels and tracheids for transporting water and dissolved mineral salts from the soil to the photosynthetic tissue
- b.) phloem tissue for translocation of of manufactured food from the leaf to storage organs and other parts of the plant .
- Numerous and large air spaces in the spongy mesopyl layer for optimum gaseous exchange with the photosynthetic tissue.
- Phylotaxy which is regular arrangement of leaves on the stem minimizes overshadowing and overlapping exposing all leaves to light for photosynthesis.
- The prominent midrib and leaf veins reduces chances of rolling of leaves maintaining a large surface area for trapping optimum light for photosynthesis.







for packing many chlorophyll pigments

#### • They have numerous chlorophyll pigments which trap sunlight/light for photosynthesis

• has stroma/third matrix which contain certain enzymes that catalyze photosynthetic reactions

#### d) i) Give a word equation for photosynthesis

Carbon (iv)Oxide + water sunlight sugar + oxygen Chlorophyll NB 6CO2 +6H2O  $\rightarrow$  C6H1206 + 6O2

#### .) Describe briefly the process of photosynthesis in plants.

The process of photosynthesis takes place in green plants allowing them to make their own food. The process is controlled by enzymes and involves a series of reactions that take place in chloroplasts. The raw materials required are water and carbon (iv) oxide.the process takes place in two consecutive stages i.e

#### Light reaction stage

It's also called the light dependent stage as it requires light energy. the reactions take place in the granna of the chloroplast. light energy from the sun is trapped by chlorophyll in the chloroplast and converted into chemical energy. This energy splits water molecules into hydrogen ions and oxygen atoms a process is called photolysis. The oxygen atoms are released as aby product or used up in the process of respiration. The hydrogen ions formed are used in the dark stage of photosynthesis. Water  $\longrightarrow$  hydrogen ions + oxygen atoms 2H2O  $4H^+ + o2g$ 

Some of the light enrgy is used to combine a molecule called adenosine

Diphosphate(ADP) with a phosphate group to form the rich energy molecules called adenosine Tri-Phosphate(ATP)

ADP + P ATP

#### Dark reaction stage

It's also called the light independent stage of photosynthesis since light is not required because it can take place both in presence and absence of light. the reactions are controlled by enzymes. the hydrogen atoms released in the light stage are combined with carbon(iv)oxide to form simple sugars mainly glucose. The process uses energy from ATP. This is reffered to as carbon (iv) oxide fixation. The reactions take place in the stroma of chloroplast. The excess glucose is converted into starch or lipids for storage.

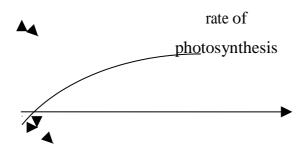
The general process of photosynthesis can be summarized by the following word and chemical equitions.

Water + carbon (iv) oxide  $\frac{\text{light & chlorephyll}}{66H12O6}$  glucose +  $6O2^{\bullet}$ 

#### 9.) Factors that cause high rate of photosynthesis.

High water availability in the soil. Water a raw material for photosynthesis is split in presence of light to provide the hydrogen ions required in carbon (iv) fixation. When water is readily available more hydrogen ions are produced hence high rate of photosynthesis.

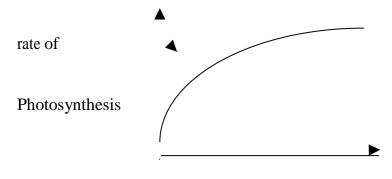
High light intensity. Light splits water molecules to hydrogen ions and oxygen atoms. Increasing light intensity increases the rate of photosynthesis up to a certain level beyond which other factors become limiting and rate of photosynthesis becomes constant.



Day length. Long day length especially at high latitudes (temperate regions) provides more light for photosynthesis causing an increase in the rate of photosynthesis.

Light quality. The preferred wavelengths for photosynthesis range between 400nm- 700nm. the rate of photosynthesis is higher in red and blue light and lower in all other types of light.

Concentration of carbon (iv) oxide. It's a raw material required to combine with hydrogen ions to form simple carbohydrate molecules. Increasing the concentration of carbon (iv) oxide increases the rate of photosynthesis up to an optimum level beyond which other factors limit the rate of photosynthesis.



concentration of co2

#### f) Give the differences between the light and dark reactions during photosynthesis

Light reactions	Dark reactions
• occurs in grana	• occurs in stroma

#### h.) a) i) What are chemicals of life?

• substances which make up cells, tissues and organs of the living system

• they combine to form organic compounds

#### *ii*) What are organic compounds?

• compounds that contain the element carbon

iii) List the organic compounds

- proteins
- carbohydrates
- •lipids(fats and oils)
- vitamins
- enzymes
- nucleic acids(DNA and RNA)

#### b) i) What are carbohydrates?

- Compounds of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen
- The elements are in the ratio of I carbon: 2 hydrogen: 1 oxygen

#### *ii*) Name the groups of carbohydrates

- monosaccharides (simple carbohydrates) e.g. glucose, fructose and galactose
- disaccharides ( formed when two monosaccharides combine) e.g. maltose, sucrose, lactose
- polysaccharides (composed of many monosaccharides and disaccharides) e.g. starch, glycogen, cellulose

#### iv) State the general functions of carbohydrates

- production of chemical energy
- storage of starch(plants) and glycogen (animals)
- commercial uses e.g. manufacture of paper, textiles

#### c) i) what are proteins?

- compounds of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen and in addition nitrogen, and sometimes sulphur and or phosphorus
- building blocks are called amino acids

#### *ii)* Name the types of amino acids

- $\bullet essential amino \, acids \, which \, must \, be \, supplied \, in \, food \, since \, they \, body \, cannot \, \, synthesize \, them$
- Non-essential amino acids which body can synthesize.

#### *iv)* State the classes of proteins

- first class proteins which supply all the essential amino acids
- second class proteins which lack at least one amino acid

#### *v*) Give the functions of proteins

• structural compounds e.g. muscles, hair, hooves, and feathers

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- as enzymes e.g. pepsin, trypsin
- hormones e.g. insulin and glucagons
- antibodies
- part of haemoglobin molecule
- actin and myosin in muscles
- collagen in bones and cartilage
- pigments in rods and cones for coordination
- components of blood i.e. plasma proteins d ) i) What are lipids
- Fats and oils
- They contain carbon, hydrogen and oxygen
- However, they contain a higher proportion of carbon and hydrogen but less oxygen that in carbohydrates

#### *ii*) Name the types of lipids

- oils(liquid under room temperature)
- fats (solid under room temperature)

#### iii) What are the building blocks of lipids?

• fatty acids and glycerol

#### v) State the functions of lipids

- production of energy
- source of metabolic water
- structural compound

#### e) i) What are enzymes?

• a chemical compound, protein in nature, which acts as a biological catalyst

#### *ii*) State the properties of enzymes

- are highly specific in nature
- they are not used up during chemical reactions
- work within specific range of temperature
- work within specific range of pH
- enzyme controlled reactions are reversible

#### iii) State the factors that affect enzyme action

• temperature

- substrate concentration
- pH of the medium
- enzyme concentration
- presence of inhibitors and co-factors

#### *v*) Name the types of enzyme inhibitors

- competitive inhibitors
- Non- competitive inhibitors

#### *vi*) What are the functions of enzymes?

- enable cellular reactions to take place at a reasonably faster rate
- $\bullet Control cell reactions therefore no violent incidences occur in cells that might burn them.$

#### i.) a) Explain the various types of heterotrophic nutrition

#### *i*)Holozoic

 $\bullet Mode of feeding by an imals where solid complex food substances are ingested, digested and egested.$ 

#### *ii*) Saprophytism

- feeding on dead organic matter
- *iii)* Parasitism
- feeding from another organism but not killing it

#### *iv*) Symbiosis

• an association in which organisms of different species derive mutual benefit from one another

#### b) Differentiate between omnivorous, carnivorous and herbivorous modes of nutrition

#### *i*)Herbivorous

• herbivores feed exclusively on vegetation

#### *ii*) Omnivorous

• omnivores are animals which feed partially on plant materials and partially on flesh e.g pigs

#### *iii)* Carnivorous

• Carnivores feed on flesh alone e.g. lion

#### c) i) What is dentition?

• Refers to the number, arrangement and kind of teeth in an animal

#### *ii*) Distinguish between the terms homodont and heterodont

• homodont have same kind, type, shape and size of teeth which perform similar function e.g. fish, reptiles and amphibians

• Heterodont have different kind, type, shape and size of teeth which perform different functions as those found in mammals.

#### iv) Name the types of teeth found in mammals

- Incisors
- Canines
- Pre-molars
- Molars

#### d) Describe the adaptations and functions of various types of mammalian teeth

Incisors	grown	enamelgur	n
• chisel shaped/wedge s	haped		
• found in the front of th	e buccal	pulp cavity	cavity
•used for cutting	root	cement	
<i>i</i> )Canines		fibrous membrane	
• next to incisors		bone	

enamel

dentine

pulp cavity

cament

fibres

surface

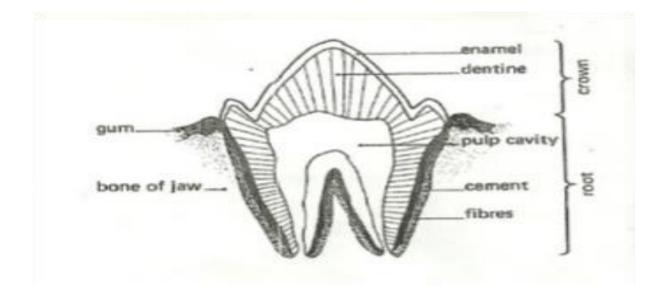
- very sharp and pointed
- located at the sides of jaws
- •used for tearing food
- *ii*) Premolars
- next to canines but before molars
- have cusps and ridges on their
- used for crushing and grinding bone of jaw.

#### iii) Molars

- found at the back of the jaw
- have cusps and ridges on their surface
- absent in young mammals but appear later when permanent teeth grow
- used for grinding and crushing

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#### e) i)Draw a labeled diagram to represent internal structure of a mammalian tooth.



#### *ii*) State the functions of the labeled structures labeled Dentine

- main constituent of teeth
- like bone in structure but contains no cells Enamel
- protects tooth from mechanical/physical injury
- the hard covering of the exposed part of teeth Crown
- portion of tooth above the gum

- covered with dentine **Root**
- part imbedded in the jaw below the gum
- covered by substances called cement
- cement is hard and bone-like Cement
- bone-like substance covering root and enamel of mammalian tooth Neck
- region at the same level with the gum
- forms a junction between the crown and root
- covered by enamel

#### **Pulp cavity**

- at centre of tooth within dentine
- has blood vessels for transporting nutrients/food and gases
- has nerves for sensitivity

#### f) i) What is dental formula?

- formula indicating the number of each kind of teeth for a given species of mammal
- only half the jaw is included
- the number in the upper jaw of one side is written above that in the lower jaw of one side
- the categories of teeth are given in the order incisors, canines, pre-molars, molars

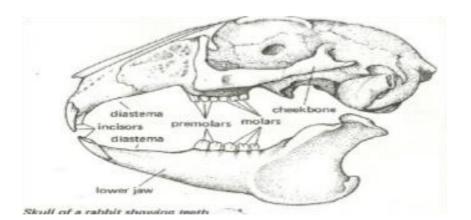
#### *ii*) Give examples of dentition in named mammals

- $\bullet$  carnivore e.g. dog i²/3 , c ¹/1, pm ²/3, m²/3 = 42
- herbivore e.g. sheep I  $^{0}$  , c  $^{0}$  , pps  $^{2}/3$  ,  $m^{3}/3 = 30$
- Omnivore e.g. human  $I^2/2. c^1$ ,  $pm^2/2, pa^3$  /3 = 32

#### iii) How would one use dental formula to identify the following? Herbivores

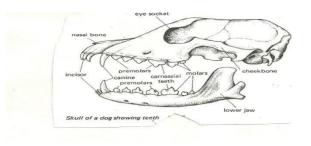
- presence of diastema/gap between incisors and premolars
- free movement of tongue
- absence of incisors in upper jaw
- absence of canines
- presence of hard pad
- closely

packed molars



#### Carnivore

- presence of canines
- presence of carnassial teeth
- presence of incisors in upper jaw/absence of diastema/gap between incisor and premolar



#### *iv*) State the functions of the following structures in mammals Carnassials

• tearing flesh from bones

#### Pad of gum

provides grasping surface for lowerincisors

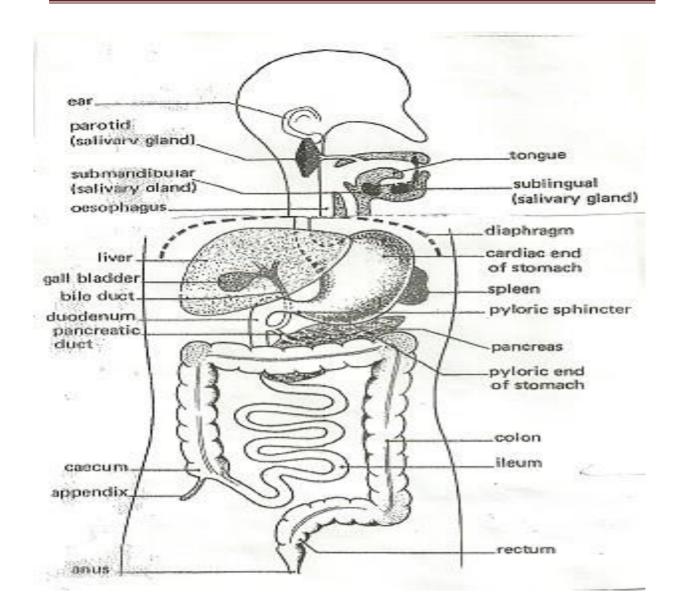
#### g) Name the common dental diseases

- dental caries
- periodontal (pyorrhea and gingivitis) j.) a) i) What is digestion?
- $\bullet break down of complex food particles by enzymes to simple substances which can be absorbed$

#### *ii*) Explain the types of digestion Intercellular

- Digestion that takes place in food vacuoles inside cells. Extra cellular
- digestion that takes place outside cells e.g. in the digestive tract

#### b) i) Draw human digestive system



### *ii*) Describe the process of digestion in the various parts of the human digestive system Mouth

- contains teeth for chewing
- has tongue for mixing food with saliva
- has salivary glands for chemical digestion, secretion of enzymes and mucus secretion
- starch is acted on by salivary amylase enzymes to produce maltose
- the tongue rolls food into a bolus which is carried into the stomach by peristalsis
- peristalsis is movement of food along the gut by waves of contraction
- it facilitates rapid digestion due to its mixing action Oesophagus
- also called gullet
- forms a passage for food by peristalsis
- connects the mouth to the stomach Stomach
- has gastric glands which secrete gastric juices
- these juices contain hydrochloric acid(HCL), mucus, and the enzymes pepsin, rennin and lipase
- HCL produces an acidic medium for enzyme action
- Proteins are acted upon by pepsin to produce peptides
- Caseinogen is acted upon by rennin to produce casein
- Fats are acted upon by lipase to produce fatty acids and glycerol
- Mucus lubricates the stomach and prevents autolysis of stomach (mucus protects stomach)

#### Duodenum

- the first u-shaped part of the small intestine
- food in the stomach is now in a semi-liquid form called chime
- chime leaves the stomach by peristalsis into the duodenum
- there, the liver produces bile pigments, bile salts and sodium hydrogen carbonate
- the stomach is usually alkaline to neutralize chime which is acidic
- bile salts emulsify fats
- bile comes from the gall bladder through the bile duct
- sodium hydrogen carbonate provides the correct pH/alkaline

- pancreatic juices are released by pancreas into the duodenum
- the juices contain trypsin, chemotrypsin, amylase, lipase and protease
- proteins are acted upon by trypsin to form polypeptides and amino acids
- starch is broken down to maltose by amylase Ileum
- produces intestinal juices
- Intestinal juice contains maltase, sucrase, lactase, erepsin, lipase, and several other peptidases
- Maltose is broken down to glucose and galactose by lactase
- Sucrose is acted upon by sucrase to glucose

Polypeptides are broken down into amino acids by erepsin

- Mucus secretion is to protect the ileum wall from digestion/autolysis Colon
- Commonly called the large intestine
- Wider than the ileum
- has several mucus-producing cells Highly folded for water absorption
- Also prepares food for egestion
- egestion is the process by which the insoluble parts of food are discharged from the body in form of faeces.

#### Rectum

- Muscular and enlarged
- it produces mucus
- used for storage and removal of faeces Anus
- found at the exterior end of the rectum The rectum opens into the anus
- The anus has anal sphincter to control egestion
- Anus is used for egestion offaeces

#### c) Explain how mammalian intestines are adapted to perform their function

- The mammalian intestines are relatively long and coiled. This allows food enough time and increases surface area for digestion and absorption of products of digestion
- The intestinal lumen (inner wall) has projections called villito increase surface area for absorption
- The villi have projections called micro-villi which lead to further increase of surface area for absorption
- The walls have glands which secrete enzymes for digestion e.g. maltase, sucrase, lactase, peptidase and enterokinase.
- Goblet cells (mucus secreting cells or glands) produce mucus which protects the intestinal wall from

being digested and reduces friction.

- Intestines have openings of ducts which allow bile, a pancreatic juice into the lumen
- The intestines have circular and longitudinal muscles whose contraction and relaxation (peristalsis) leads to mixing of food with enzymes (juices) helps push food along the gut.
- The intestines are well supplied with blood vessels that supply oxygen and remove digested food.
- Intestines have lacteal vessels for transport of lipids (fats and oils)
- Intestines have thin epithelium to facilitate fast/rapid absorption/diffusion

#### d) What is the function of hydrochloric acid in digestion?

- kills bacteria
- activates trypsinogen to trypsin which digests proteins to peptones and peptones to soluble amino acids
- provides acidic medium for gastric enzymes

#### e) i) What is assimilation?

- The process by which digested food is taken up by cells and used in the body for various purposes.

#### ii) State the uses of digested food in the bodies of animals

- Protection
- Repair
- Growth
- Energy production

### *f*) Name the types of food substances in the food that do not undergo digestion in human digestive system

- mineral salts
- water
- roughage
- vitamins

#### k.) Explain the importance of the following food substances in human nutrition Vitamins

- are organic chemical compounds essential for a healthy body
- are obtained from fresh fruits and vegetables
- some are synthesized in the body e.g. vitamin K
- they are destroyed by overcooking food
- they protect the body against diseases, play regulatory mechanisms in the body and act as co-enzymes
- insufficient amounts lead to deficiency diseases e.g. rickets, scurvy, beriberi

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#### a) Mineral salts

- are important in organic compounds containing elements which are essential for normal body metabolism
- those required in large quantities are called macro-nutrients while those required in small quantities are called micro-nutrients or trace elements
- They are used in bone and teeth formation. In osmotic balance and neurotransmission
- insufficient amounts lead to anaemia, rickets, goiter
- Excess amounts lead to high blood pressure, and dental disorders.

#### b) Roughage

- composed of cellulose and plant fibers
- digested by cellulose contained by gut microorganisms
- provides grip essential for peristalsis
- lack of roughage leads to slow movement of food leading to constipation
- roughage adds bulk to food for peristalsis to take place

#### c) Water

- used in transport in the body, universal solvent, hydrolysis
- insufficient leads to dehydration

#### 1.) Explain the factors that determine energy requirements in humans

#### *a*) Basal Metabolic Rate (BMR)

- this is the energy required when the body is completely at rest
- $\bullet used to carry out breathing, heartbeat, circulation of blood and other basic reactions$
- also used in maintaining body temperature at constant
- all movements or physical work e.g. walking, eating required more energy.

#### b) Occupation

- means activity occurring everyday
- everyday activity determines energy requirement
- People doing heavy work like digging require more energy than office workers.
- c) Age
- children carry out many activities and also have more cell division than adults
- their BMR is therefore higher than for adults

• as they grow older, they become less active and their energy requirements decrease

#### *d*) Body size

- small bodied people have a large surface area to volume ratio
- their bodies lose more heat energy to the surrounding
- they therefore require more energy-giving foods
- this is the opposite for big bodied people

#### e) Sex

- most males are more muscular than females
- they also do heavier work than females hence require more energy
- females do lighter work hence require less energy

#### *f*) Climate

- in warm climate the body requires less energy
- in low temperatures the body requires more energy to maintain body temperature

#### m.) Explain various tests carried out on food

Test	Procedure	Observation	Conclusion	
Starch	- add iodine solution	<ul> <li>colour changes</li> <li>to blue</li> <li>black/dark blue</li> </ul>	Present	
Reducing sugar	Benedicts solution heat/boil/warm in hot water bath	- colour changes to Green to yellow to orange to brown to red	Present	
Non-reducing	Dilute HCL,	- colour changes	Present	
sugar	NaHCO3,	to Green to		
	heat/boil, warm	yellow to orange		
	in hot water	to brown to red		

	bath		
Proteins	1% CuSO4, 5% NaOH	colour changes to purple/violet	Present
Ascorbic acid (Vitamin C)	DCPIP drop wise	DCPIP decolorized	Present
Fats/oils (lipids)	<ul><li>rub on filter paper</li><li>ethanol</li></ul>	<ul> <li>translucent mark</li> <li>white</li> <li>emulsions</li> </ul>	present

## **F1 TOPICAL REVISION**

# QUESTIONS

### A SERIES OF TOPICAL REVISION BIOLOGY QUESTIONS IN THIS CLASS.

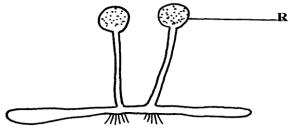
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### **1. CLASSIFICATION I &II**

- 1. Name **two** classes of phylum arthropoda with cephalothorax.
- 2. List any **three** distinguishing features of class mammalia.
- 3. Give **two** characteristics that distinguish scientific names of organisms from the ordinary names
- 4. (a) In which kingdom do bacteria belong?(b) Give any two benefits of bacteria to man
- 5. Name the phylum whose members possess notochord
- 6. The diagram below represents a bread mould:-



(a) Identify the kingdom to which the organism belongs:-

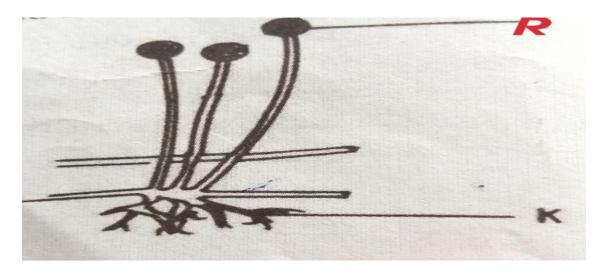
- 7. Give a reason why no moulting occurs during the adult stages of insects
- 8. Name the branch of Biology that deals with the study of animals
- 9. State **four** ways in which some Fungi are beneficial to human
- 10. During a class practical form four students came across a plant whose flower floral parts were in

multiples of fours and fives. To which sub-division and class does the plant belong?

- 11. A student caught an animal which had the following characteristics:-
  - Body divided into two parts
  - Simple eyes
  - Eight legs

The animal belongs to the class .....

12. The diagram below represents a bread mould.

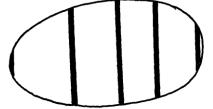


- (a) (i) Name the Kingdom to which bread mould belongs.
  - (ii) Give two distinguishing characteristics of the Kingdom named in (a)(i) above.
- (b) State the function of the part labelled  $\mathbf{R}$
- 13. (a) What is meant by the term taxonomy?
  - (b) The scientific name of a rat is Rattus norvegicus
    - (i) Write the name correctly
    - (ii) Identify the genus and species names
- 14. List **three** features that distinguish arthropods from other organisms

### **<u>2. THE CELL – STRUCTURE</u>**

- 1. Name the organelles that perform each of the following functions:
  - a) Digestion and destruction of worn out organelles.
    - b) Osmoregulation
- Explain why the following processes are important during the preparation of temporary slides :- (a) Staining
  - (b) Use of a sharp cutting blade
- 3. In a class experiment to establish the size of an onion cell, a leaner observed the following
- on

the microscope field of view.



If the student counted 20 cells across the diameter of this field of view, calculate the size of

one

cell in micrometers.

4. State the functions of the following cell organelles: (a) Nucleolus.

(b) Plasma membrane

5. What is the of nucleus of a cell made up of?

6. (a) In a laboratory exercise a student observing a drop of pond water under a microscope saw

and drew a spirogyra. If the magnification of the eye-piece was x5 and that of the objective

lens was x100, what was the magnification of the spirogyra?

(b) If the spirogyra has a length of 5cm at the above magnification, calculate the actual length

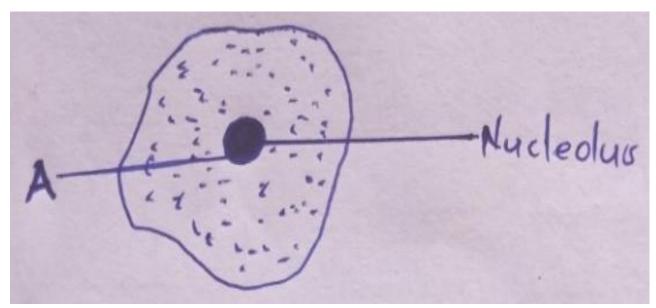
#### in micrometers

7. (a) Identify the organelle shown below:-



(b) How is the organished you have identified in (a) above suited to its function

- 8. Identify the structures of the cells that perform the following functions:-(a) Synthesize ribosomes
  - (c)Regulate exchange of substances in and out of the nucleus
- 9. (a) State the roles of enzyme catalase in living cells
  - (b) Which factor inactivates enzyme?
- 10. The figure below represents a certain cell organelle:-

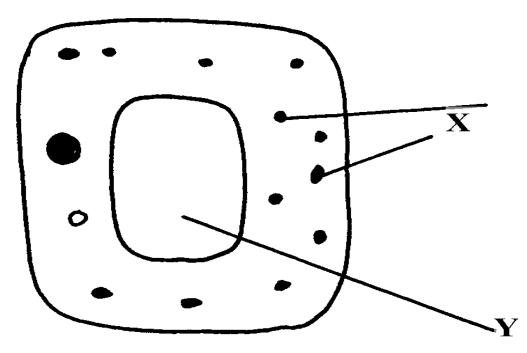


- (a) (i) Identify the cell organelle
  - (ii) What is the function of the part labelled  ${\bf A}$
- (b) Name the organelles that perform each of the following functions;
  - (i) Osmoregulation in amoeba
  - (ii) Carries out digestion and destruction of worn out cell organelles
- 11. State **three** properties of the cell membrane
- 12. The diagram below represents a plant cell
  - (a) Name a carbohydrate which forms part of the structure labelled  ${f S}$
  - (b) State two functions of the part labelled R
  - (c) Name **two** structures present in the diagram but absent in the animal cell
- 13. What do you understand by the following terms
  - a) Anatomy

- b) Biochemistry
- 14. State the function of the following parts of a cell
  - a) Ribosome
  - b) Chloroplasts
- 15. a) What is the formula for calculating linear magnification of a specimen when using a hand lens
- 16. State the function of the following cell structures:- a) Ribosome ;

b) Centrioles;

- 17. What is the main structural component of:- a) Cell wallb) Cell membrane
- 18. State **two** characteristics of the kingdom monera which are prokaryotes
- 19. The diagram below represents a cell



(a) Name parts labelled  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{Y}$ 

b) Suggest why the structures labelled **X** would be more on one side than the other

20. During a practical class, form fours estimated the field of view to be 3.5mm. Using the low power objective, they observed spirogyra cells across the same field of view and counted

8cells.

Calculate the size of each cell and give your answer in micrometer

- 21. A student caught an animal which had the following characteristics:-
  - Body divided into two parts
  - Simple eyes
  - Eight legs

a) To what class does the animal belong?

b) State **two** distinctive characteristics of members of the phylum from which the animals in this

question (15) belongs

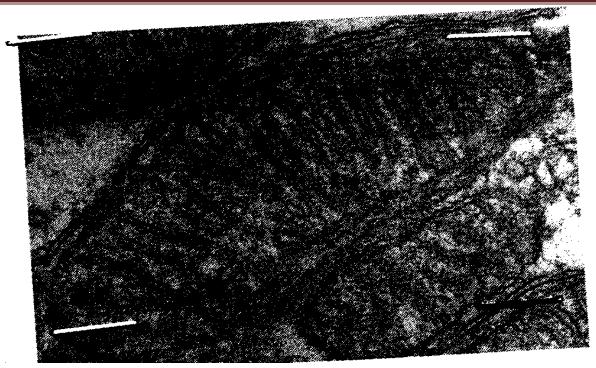
- 22. Distinguish between the following terms :
  - a) Magnification and resolution of a microscope
  - b) Mounting and staining of a specimen
- 23. Name the organelle that performs **each** of the following functions in a cell.
  - (a) Transport of packaged glycoproteins
  - (b) Destruction of worn out cell organelles
  - (c) Synthesis of proteins
- 24. Why are the following procedures done when preparing sections to be observed under a

light

microscope?

- (a) Making of thin sections
- (b) Using a sharp blade to make the sections
- (c) Staining
- 25. What are the functions of the following parts of a light microscope?
  - (a) Eye piece lens
  - (b) Condenser
  - (c) Diaphragm
- 26. Given that the diameter of the field of view of a light microscope is 2000um. Calculate the size of a cell in mm if 10 cells occupy the diameter of the field of view
- 27. State the importance of the following processes in microscopy:
  - (a) staining
  - (b) sectioning
- 28. A cell was found to have the following under a light microscope; cell membrane, irregular in shape, and small vacuoles. Identify the type of the cell above
- 29. State the functions of the following organelles;
  - (a) Lysosomes
  - (b) Golgi apparatus
- 30. Name the class in phylum arthropoda which has the largest number of individuals
- 31. State the functions of each of the following parts in a microscope.
  - (a) The eye piece lens
  - (b) The objective lens

32. The figure below represents an electron micrograph of an organelle that is found in many





(a) Identify the organelle

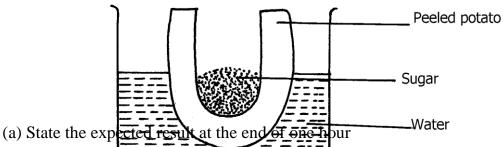
(b) State the function of the organelle

(c) What is the importance of infoldings in the inner membrane.

(d) Give **two** examples of tissues where you would expect many such organelles in animal body.

### 3. CELL PHYSIOLOGY – OSMOSIS, DIFFUSION AND ACTIVE TRANSPORT

- 1. Two equal strips **A** and **B** were from a potato whose cell was 30% of sugar. The strip **A** was placed in a solution of 10% sugar concentration while **B** was placed in 50% sugar concentration
  - a) What change was expected in strip A and B
  - b) Account for the change in strip  $\mathbf{A}$
- 2. An experiment was set-up as shown below and left for one hour



(b) Explain the observations made in this experiment

3. State what would happen in each of the following:-

(a) A plant cell placed in: - (i) Strong salt solution

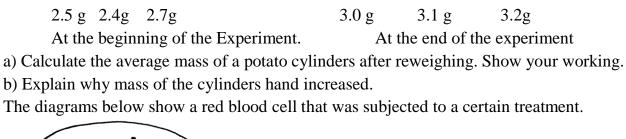
(ii) Distilled water

4. State **three** physiological processes that are involved in movement of substances a cross the cell

membrane

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5. Potato cylinders were weighed and kept in distilled water evernight. They were then reweighed.

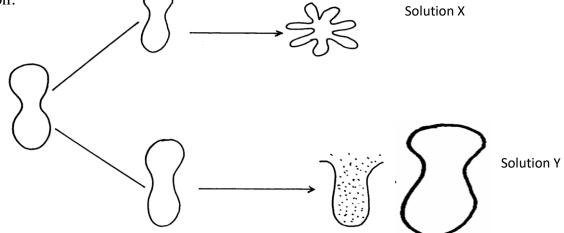




a) Account for the shape of the cell at the end of the experiment.

b) Draw a diagram to illustrate how a plant cell would appear if subjected to the same treatment

7. The diagram below shows the results obtained when red blood cells are placed in different solution:



(a) What name is given to the process that occurs when the cell is placed in solution **Y**?

(b) Describe the process that would occur in a plant cell when placed in a similar solution as that

of solution  $\mathbf{X}$ 

8. The figure below shows the results obtained when red blood cells are put in different solutions:-

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Placed in Placed in
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(a) What is the name given to the process that occurs when the cell is put into solution **B**?

(b) Compare the results obtained when the cell is put in solution **B** to the results that would

be

obtained if a plant cell was put in the same solution

- 9. Briefly state **two** adaptation for each of the following cells to their functions
  - (i) Spermatozoon
  - (ii) Palisade mesophlly cell
- 10. The diagram below represents a cell at a certain stage in meiotic cell division



- a) Name the stage at which the cell drawn above represents
- b) Give a distinguishing reason for your answer in 21(a) above
- c) State any two differences between mitosis and meiosis
- 11. What are **two** differences between tropisms and tactic movement
- 12. An experiment was carried out to investigate the effect of different concentrations of sodium

chloride on human red blood cells. Equal amounts of blood were added to equal volumes of the

salt solution but of different concentrations. The results are shown in the table below:

Set -up		Number of red blood cells	
	Sodium chloride concentration	At start of experiment	At the end of the experiment
A	0.9%	Normal	No change in number
В	0.3%	Normal	Fewer in number

(a) Account for the results in the set-up

(b) If the experiment was repeated using 1.4% sodium chloride solution, state the expected results with reference to:

(i) the number of red blood cells

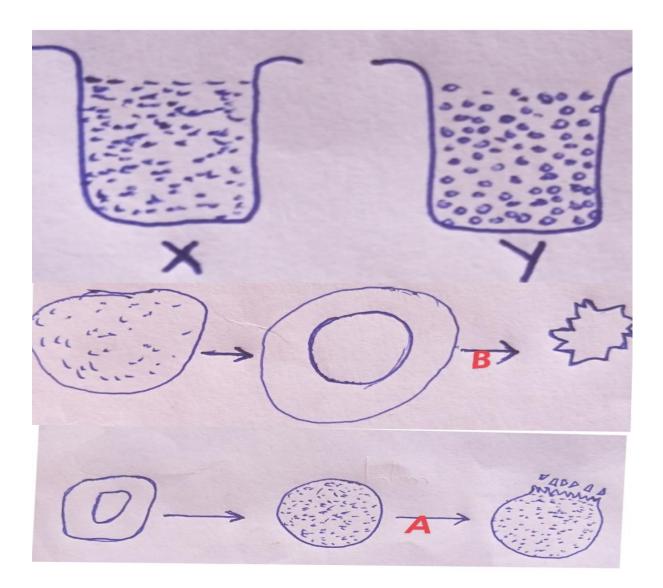
- (ii) the appearance of red blood cells if viewed under the microscope
- 13. Name support tissues in plants characterized by the following

(i) Cells being turgid

- (ii) Cells being thickened by cellulose
- (iii) Cells being thickened by lignin

14. The diagram below illustrates the behaviour of red blood cells when placed into two different

solutions **X** and **Y**.



- (a) Suggest the nature of solutions **X** and **Y**.
- (b) Name the process A and B.
- (c) What would happen to normal blood cell if it were placed in a solution isotonic.
- 15. Name two plant processes in which diffusion plays an important role
- 16. Two fresh potato cylinders of equal length were placed one in distilled water and the other

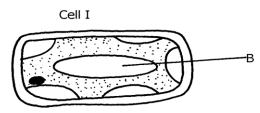
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concentrated sucrose solution:

- (a) Account for the change in length of the cylinder in:
  - (i) Distilled water
  - (ii) Sucrose solution
- (b) (i) What would be the result in terms of length if a boiled potato was used?
  - (ii) Explain your answer in(b)(i) Above
- (c) State two uses of the physiological process being demonstrated in the experiment

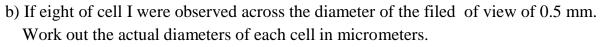
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The two cells shown below are obtained from two different potato cylinders which were immersed in tow different solutions  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$ .



a) i) Name the stractine Pabelled A.

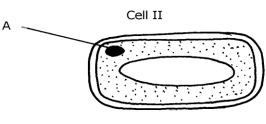
ii) State the function of structure B.



- c) Suggest the identity of the solution Q.
- d) Account for the change in cell I above.

e) State any **one** importance of the physiological process being demonstrated above in animals.

(e) Suggest a suitable control for this experiment



In solution Q

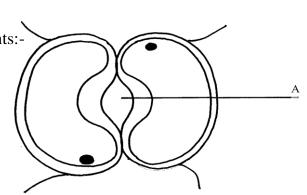
### 4. NUTRITION IN PLANTS & ANIMALS

 $C_{12}H_{22}O_{11} + Q$ 

The chemical equation below represents a physiological process that takes place in living organisms:
 R

 $C_6H_{12}O_6 + C_6H_{12}O_6$ 

- (a) Name the process **R**
- (b) Name the substance **Q**
- 2. The diagram below shows cells in plants:-



(a) Identify the cells shown above

- (b) Explain how the cells are adapted to their function
- (c) Explain how accumulation of carbon (IV) Oxide in the cells above would lead to the

closure

of structure A

3. (a) A leaf of a potted plant kept in darkness for 48hours was smeared with Vaseline jelly then

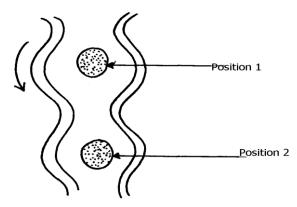
exposed to sunlight for 8hours. Explain why the test for starch in the leaf was negative

(b) Name **two** other processes that were interfered with in the plant

- 4. List **two** functional differences between plants and animals.
- 5. Explain how the guard cells are adapted to perform their function.
- 6. State the function of iron in the human body
- 7. What are the **two** functions of bile salts during the process of digestion?
- 8. State **three** adaptations of aquatic plants to photosynthesis
- 9. A biological washing detergent contains enzymes which remove stains like mucus and oils from clothes which are soaked in water with the detergent:-
  - (a) Name **two** groups of enzymes that are present in detergent
  - (b) Explain why stains would be removed faster with the detergent in water at 35°C rather than at  $15^{\circ}$ C
- 10. Name the diseases caused by deficiency of : (a) Iodine

(b) Vitamin C

- 11. Name **two** enzymes and **one** metal ion that are needed in the blood clotting process
- 12. The diagram below shows how food boles move along the human oesophogus and the Intestine



(a) Identify the process illustrated in the diagram

(b) Briefly **state** how the movement of food boles from position 1 to position 2 is achieved

(c) Name one component of a persons diet that assists in the movement of food described

in

(b) above

13. State **two** adaptations of herbivores which enable them to digest cellulose

14. State **two** factors that affect the rate of osmosis

15. A certain organ **K** was surgically removed from a rat, later drastic increase in glucose level in the

blood was reported but when substance  $\mathbf{Q}$  was injected into the animal the whole process

was

reversed.	
Identify:	(i) Organ <b>K</b>
	(ii) Substance <b>Q</b>

- 16. a) Name the component of a persons diet that is essential for peristalisis
  - b) Give **two** groups of food which are reabsorbed along the mammalion digestive system without undergoing digestion
- 17. State **three** roles of light in photosynthesis
- 18. State **two** ways in which the guard cells differ their adjacent epidermal cells
- 19. One of the components of bile is a chemical left over from destruction of red blood cellsi) Identify the chemical substance
  - ii) What is the role of bile in digestion
- 20. (a) What is peristalsis?
  - (b) Explain how the process above is brought about.
- 21. The following reaction may occur in a forward and backward direction. Water + Carbon (IV) Oxide Glucose + Oxygen + Energy
  - (a) Name the organelle where the reaction occurs in:
    - (i) Forward direction

- (ii) Backward direction
  - (b) Give one difference and one similarity for the two organelles named in (a) above
- 22. A solution of sugar cane was boiled with hydrochloric acid and sodium hydrogen carbonate was

added to the solution, which was then boiled with benedicts solution. An orange precipitate

was

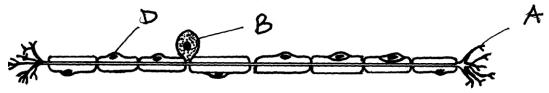
formed.

(a) Why was the solution boiled with hydrochloric acid and then sodium hydrogen

#### carbonate

added in it

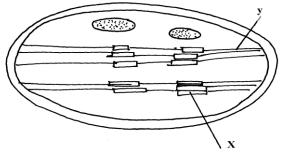
- (b) To which class of carbohydrates does sugar cane belong?
- (c) State the form in which carbohydrates are:
  - (i) Transported in animals
  - (ii) Transported in plants
- 23. The diagram below is of a certain type of neurons.



- (a) Identify the type of neuron
- (b) Give a reason for your answer in (a) above
- (c) Give the functions of the parts labeled **A**, **B**, and **D**
- 24. a) The mitochondria organelle has cristae structure on the inner membrane. State the function of

the cristae

b) The diagram below represents a cell organelle



i) Name the part labeled **Y** 

- ii) State the function of the part labeled  $\mathbf{X}$
- a) State the role of emulsification in the digestion of fats in the alimentary canalb) What is the function of hydrochloric acid in the alimentary canal

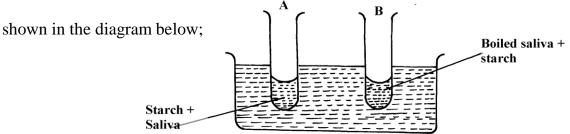
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Briefly explain the effect of poisoning the roots hair on the uptake of nitrate by plants

- 27. Briefly explain the symbiotic relationship in the root nodule of a leguminous plant
- 28. Explain how saliva is important in digestion
- 29. What is the fate of excess glucose in plants?
- 30. State two ways in which guard cells differ from other epidermal cells
- Briefly explain the fate of the following products from the light stage of the process of Photosynthesis: (a) Oxygen

(b) Hydrogen(c) ATP

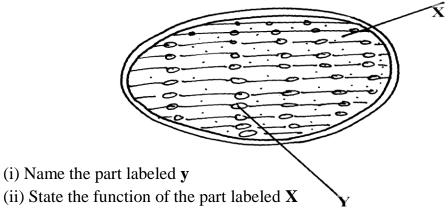
32. In an experiment to investigate on aspect of digestion, two test tubes A and B were set-up as



The test tubes were left in the bath for 30minutes. The content of each test tube was then tested for

starch using iodine solution:-

- (a) What was the aim of the experiment?
- (b) What results were expected in test-tube  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$
- (c) Account of the results you have given in (b) above in test tube A and B
- 33. [a]Name one salivary gland in humans[b]State two functions of saliva
- 34. The diagram below represents a cell organelle



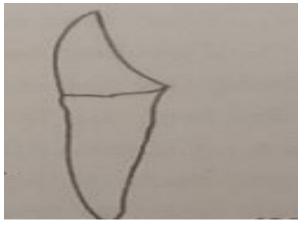
(ii) State the function of the vitamin named in (i) above

36.

- (a) Name the disease caused by **schistosoma** parasites in man.
- (b) How is schistosome adapted to its parasitic mode of life?
- The table below shows three enzymes A, B and C and their respective optimum pH. 37.

Enzyme	Optimum pH
А	6.8
В	2.0
С	8.0

- (a) (i) Name the most likely region of the alimentary canal of a mammal where enzyme **B** would be found.
  - (ii) Give a reason for your answer in (a) (i) above
- 38. [a]state two factors that affect enzymatic activities [b]Explain how one of the factors stated in [a] above affects enzymatic activities
- 39. (a) Name the specific part of the chloroplast where the following processes occur.
  - (i) Carbon IV oxide fixation
  - (ii) Photolysis
  - (b) State one way in which the dark reactions of photosynthesis depends on light reaction.
- 40. The diagram below shows a human tooth



[a]Identify the tooth

[b]How is the tooth adapted to its function?

[c]State the role of the following vitamins in the human body

[i]C [ii]K

- State three ways by which the rate of enzyme controlled reactions can be increased. 41.
- 42. Study the dental formula given below:

#### I<u>0;</u>C<u>0</u>;PM<u>3</u>;M<u>2</u> 3

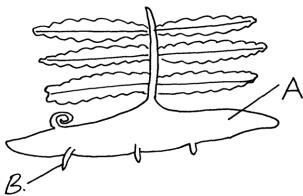
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(a) Identify with reasons the mode of feeding of the animals whose dental formula is given above

- (b) Calculate the total number of teeth in the mouth of the above animal
- 43. Explain why small mammals such as moles feed more frequently than larger ones such as elephants
- 44. State **three** ways by which plants compensate for lack of the ability to move from one place

to another

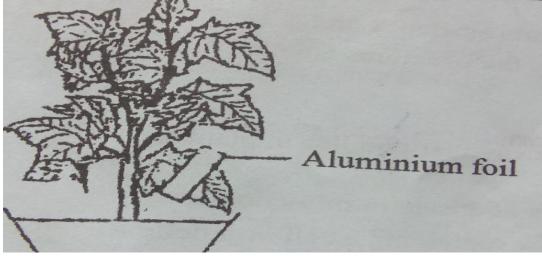
45. Study the diagram below and answer the questions that follow



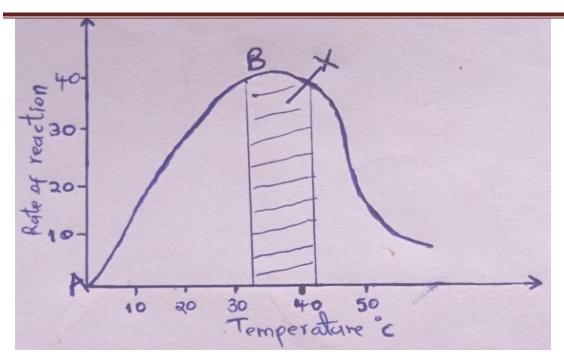
(a) Label the parts **A** and **B** 

(b) State one observable difference between the structure above and the liverwort

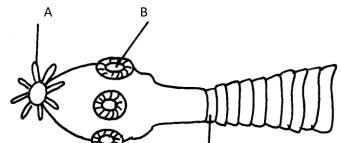
- 46. What is glycolysis?
- 47. (a) State two difference between monosaccharide and polysaccharides(b) Name the bond found in proteins
- 48. Name two products of light reaction used in the dark reaction
- 49. State **two** functions of the large intestine in humans.
- 50. The diagram below shows a leaf of a growing plant partly covered with aluminium foil. The plant was placed in the sun from morning to midday and then tested for starch.



- (a) What was the aim of the experiment?
- (b) State the observation made when the leaf was tested for starch
- 51. The figure shows the effect of temperature on an enzyme catalyzed reaction.

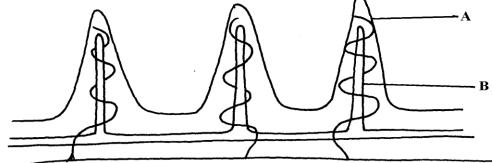


- (a) Explain what happens between A and B(b) What is X?
- 52. Name **two** mineral elements that are necessary in the synthesis of chlorophyll.
- 53. The figure below is a diagram of the anterior portion of the tapeworm. <u>Taenia</u> <u>solium</u>.



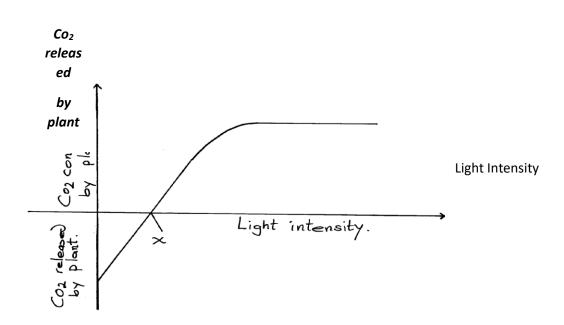
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- (a) Name the parts labeled **A**, **B**, and
- (b) What is the intermediate host of Taenia Solium?
- 54. The diagram below represents a longitudinal section through the ileum wall



- a) Identify the structure labeled A and B
- b) State one function of  ${\bf A}$  and  ${\bf B}$
- c) State **two** functions of the ileum

- d) Explain the role of the liver in digestion
- e) State the endocrine role of the pancreas in a mammal
- 55 Briefly describe the reactions during the light stage of photosynthesis
- 56. The diagram below shows the effect of varying light intensity on the exchange of carbon
- IV
- Co2Consumoxide between the leaves of a green plant and the atmosphere.ed
- by plant

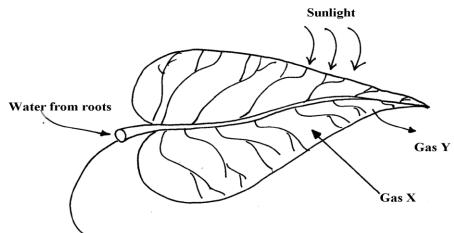


- a) What is the name given to the point marked x?
- b) i) With reference to carbon IV oxide exchange state what happens at point  $\mathbf{x}$ .
  - ii) Explain how the effect observed at point x occurs.
- c) Explain why there is a net uptake of carbon IV oxide at light intensity above **x**.
- d) What would happen to the plant if light intensity falling on it were maintained at **x** throughout?
- e) What can you say about the exchange of oxygen between the plant and the surrounding

air at

intensities below **x**?

57. The following diagram of a leaf shows what happens in a pant leaf during photosynthesis:-



- (a) Give two ways in which leaves are adapted to absorb light
- (b) Name the gases labelled  ${\bf X}$  and  ${\bf Y}$
- (c) Name the tissue that transports water into the leaf and sugars out of the leaf

(d) Explain why it's an advantage for the plant to store carbohydrates as starch rather than as

sugars

- 58. (a) What is meant by digestion?
  - (b) Describe how mammalian small intestine is adapted to its function
- 59. [a]The action of ptyalin stops in the stomach.Explain

[b]State a factor that denatures enzymes

[c]Name the features that increase the surface area of small intestines

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