

# Cells & Cell Processes for Special Education

Middle/High School

225 pages+54 slides

16-day lesson plan



*Preview*



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# Cells and Cell Processes

## Lesson Plan

### Preparation

- Print out a vocabulary board for each student to use throughout unit
  - Laminate or place in page protector
- Book
  - Print out, laminate, and bind
  - OR your students can listen to the pre-recorded version
- Vocabulary cards
  - Print out a set of cards onto cardstock and laminate
  - Make one set for each student and also one for the teacher to use in I Spy games

### Preassessment (do day 1 before starting lesson)

- Choose the form of the assessment that best fits the learning level of your students
- Give the assessment to assess what your students may already know
- I cannot emphasize enough how important this step is. If you want to see growth, this preassessment is so important!!

### Teaching Tips

- Color Coding:** this is a really easy way to add more structure to a matching activity. Outline or color in an empty box or sorting label. Outline or color in the corresponding picture symbols the same colors. Becomes a color matching task.
  - For more info, read more here: <https://specialneedsforspecialkids.org/2015/09/05/using-color-coding-for-differentiation/>
  - I also have a blog post on differentiating one activity 3 ways: <https://specialneedsforspecialkids.org/2018/10/22/differentiating-1-activity-3-ways-easily-and-effectively/>
- Make your own copies of the activities. Every day I review the activity we did yesterday. For that reason:
  - I often complete the activity myself and often laminated it for easy review that I could use year after year.
  - My copies were also helpful as either a model for students who needed more support or as a way for more advanced students to self-check their work.

# 16 day lesson plan

### Quick Look

Day	Activity	Day	Activity
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocab cards introduction</li> <li>Circle map</li> </ul>	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocab cards activity</li> <li>Sorting activity</li> </ul>
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocab cards activity</li> <li>Labeling activities</li> </ul>	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocab cards activity</li> <li>Make a 3D cell</li> </ul>
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocab cards activity</li> <li>Labeling activities</li> </ul>	11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocab cards cut and paste</li> <li>Vocabulary puzzle</li> </ul>
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocab cards activity</li> <li>Labeling activities</li> </ul>	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocab cards cut and paste</li> <li>Vocabulary puzzle</li> </ul>
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocab cards activity</li> <li>Labeling activities</li> </ul>	13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocab cards activity</li> <li>Close worksheet</li> </ul>
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocab cards activity</li> <li>Venn Diagram</li> </ul>	14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocab cards activity</li> <li>Close worksheet</li> </ul>
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocab cards activity</li> <li>Venn Diagram</li> </ul>	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocab cards activity</li> <li>Close worksheet</li> </ul>
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocab cards activity</li> <li>Matching activity</li> </ul>	16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assessment</li> <li>Pizza cell</li> </ul>

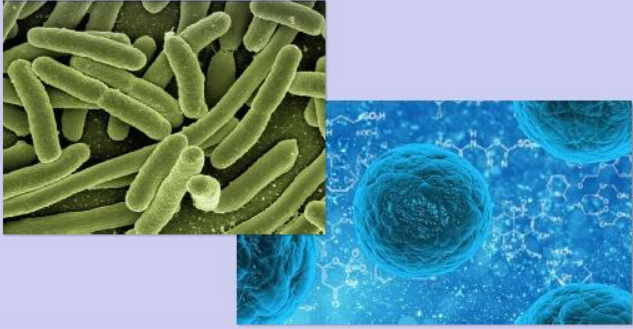
### Day 4

Activity	Notes	Materials
Read or listen to a recording of the book (10 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Read through the story, asking lots of questions</li> <li>Continue to make connections between book and vocabulary board</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocabulary board</li> </ul>
Vocabulary cards <b>Go Fish Game</b> (15 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Using several completed student sets of vocabulary cards play a traditional go fish game</li> <li>Modify/use devices or buddies as needed for additional support</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vocabulary cards (student sets)</li> <li>Vocabulary board</li> </ul>
Labeling activity review (5 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review the labeling worksheets completed yesterday</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete labeling worksheets</li> </ul>
Labeling activity (10 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do the cell <b>process</b> labeling activities</li> <li>There are several to choose from, either labeling the parts or making your own cell</li> <li>Choose some to do today and some to do tomorrow (there may be more than you need; can save some for later review)</li> <li>Make connections to the book as necessary</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Labeling worksheets</li> <li>Scissors</li> <li>Glue</li> </ul>
Sharing (10 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Each student shares their finished worksheet with the group using the communication method of their choice</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed worksheet</li> <li>Communication devices</li> </ul>

### Day 6

Activity	Notes	Materials
Read or listen to a recording of the book (10 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Read through the story, asking lots of questions</li> <li>Continue to make connections between book and vocabulary board</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book</li> <li>Vocabulary board</li> </ul>
Vocabulary cards <b>Puzzle Game</b> (10 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Give each student a pile of pieces</li> <li>Have them reassemble the pieces into the correct symbols</li> <li>They may have to ask each other if someone else has the second half to a piece they have.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vocabulary cards (set where each card is cut in half)</li> </ul>
Labeling activity review (5 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review the labeling activity completed yesterday</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed activity from yesterday</li> </ul>
Venn Diagram (10 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do the one of the Venn Diagrams</li> <li>Choose the best option for your students (either with or without color-coding)</li> <li>Make connections to the book as necessary</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Venn Diagram worksheet</li> <li>Scissors</li> <li>Glue</li> </ul>
Sharing (10 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Each student shares their finished Venn diagram</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed activity</li> <li>Communication devices</li> </ul>

There are 2 main categories of cells: **prokaryotic** and **eukaryotic**.



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All eukaryotic cells, however, do have a nucleus. Each cell only has one, and it is where all the **DNA** or information about the cell is stored.

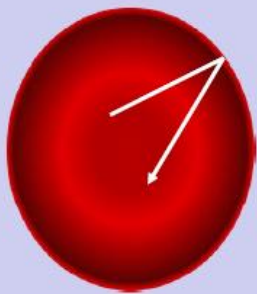


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51 page book

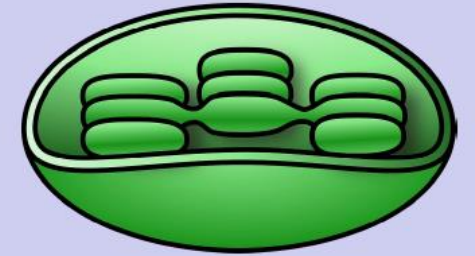
This **membrane** goes around the outside of the cell and keeps everything inside.



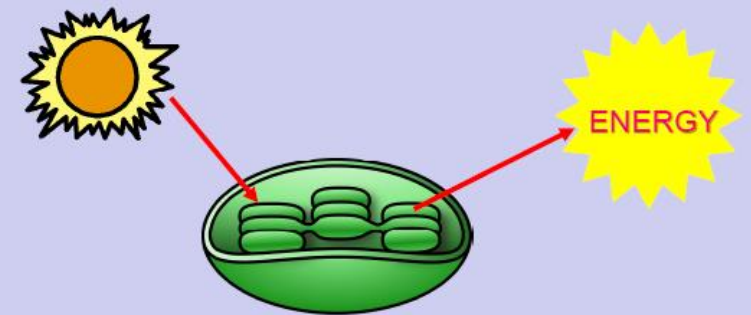
In fact, proteins are necessary for all plants and animals to live. So the **ribosomes** have a VERY important job.

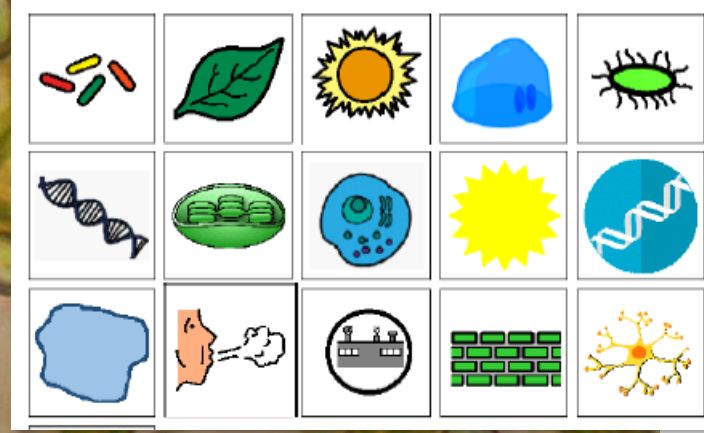


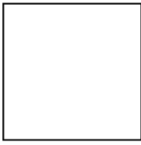


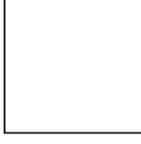
It is called **photosynthesis**, and it occurs in a special organelle called a **chloroplast**.



Finally, plants also have **chloroplasts** that are filled with **chlorophyll** and turn sunlight into **ATP** through a process called **photosynthesis**.



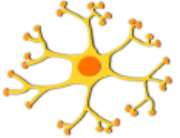









<p><b>cell wall</b></p> <p>An extra layer that goes around <b>plant cells</b> that makes them more sturdy.</p> 	<p><b>cytoplasm</b></p> <p>Jell-O like substance that fills the cell and cushions what is inside.</p> 
<p><b>organelle</b></p> <p>Organelles inside the cell that have their own membrane and special job to do.</p> 	<p><b>nucleus</b></p> <p>The brain of the cell. Tells all the organelles what to do.</p> 

Vocabulary board

16 Vocab cards

<p><b>cell</b></p> <p>Building block of all living things.</p> 	<p><b>prokaryotic</b></p> <p>Very simple cells with no nucleus. Bacteria is an example.</p> 
<p><b>eukaryotic</b></p> <p>More complex cells with a nucleus and organelles. Most plant and animal cells are examples.</p> 	<p><b>cell membrane</b></p> <p>Goes around the outside of all cells and regulates what comes in and goes out.</p> 

Organelles that are like factories and create proteins for the cell to use.	Or
Building block of all living things.	Th
Organelle found only in plant cells and turns sunlight into energy.	Jel

<p><b>cell wall</b></p> 	<p><b>cytoplasm</b></p> 
<p><b>organelle</b></p> 	<p><b>nucleus</b></p> 

# Circle map

 cushion	 cellular respiration	 cell wall	 membrane	 cytoplasm
 nucleus	 organelles	 ribosomes	 sleep	 protein
 plants	 silly	 eukaryotic	 ATP	 animals
 photosynthesis	 prokaryotic	 heavy	 mitochondria	 huge



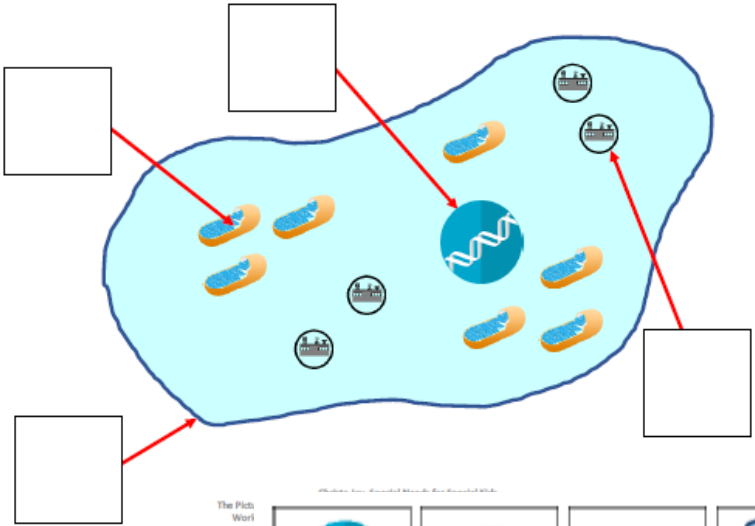
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Venn Diagrams

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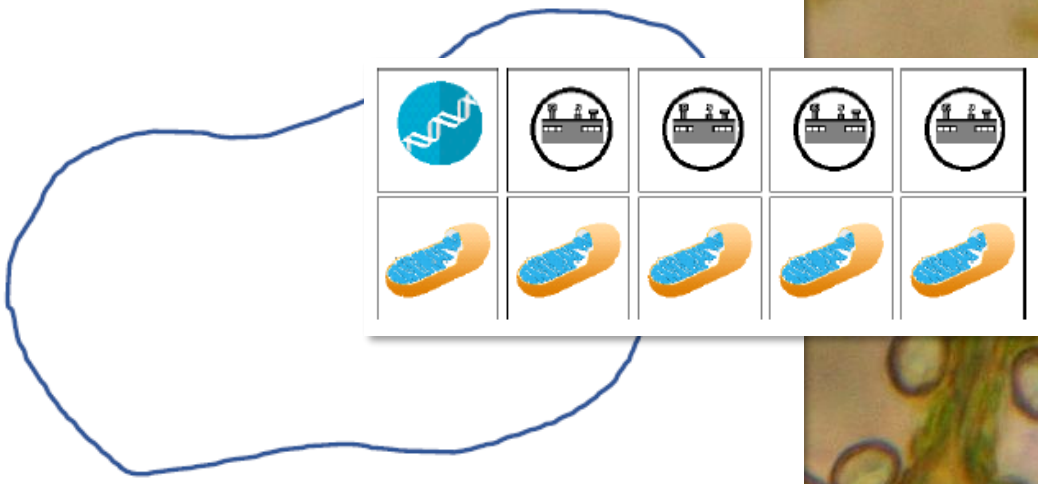
Label the parts of the **animal** cell.



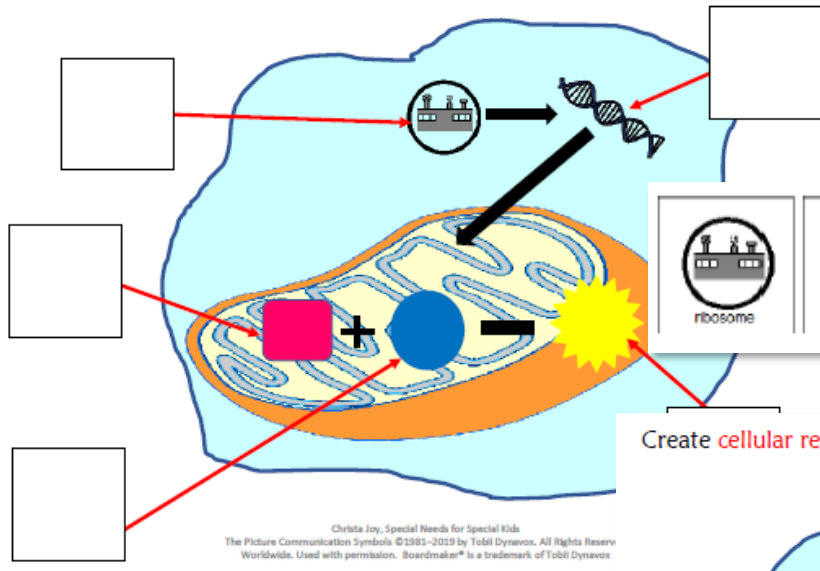
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 nucleus	 ribosome	 mitochondria	 membrane	 cytoplasm
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Make your own animal cell

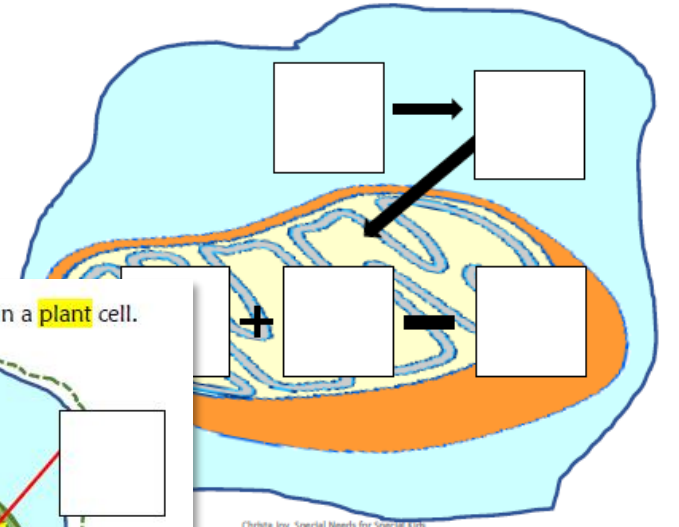


Label the parts of **cellular respiration** inside the mitochondria of an **animal** cell.

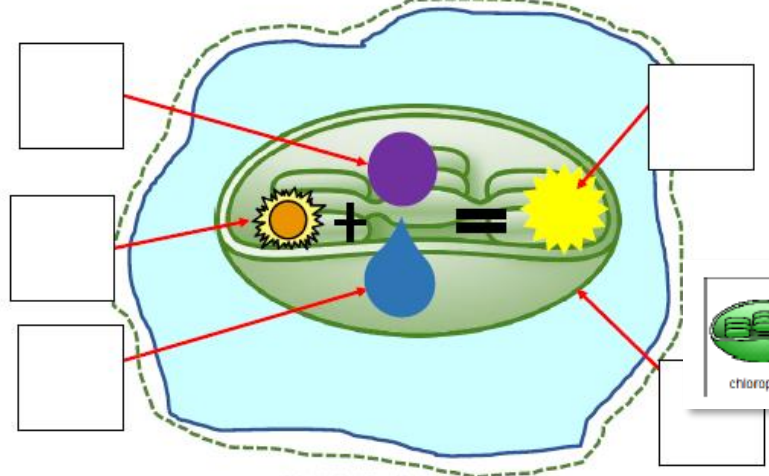






 ribosome	 oxygen	 protein	 food	 ATP
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Create **cellular respiration** inside the mitochondria in an **animal** cell.



Label the parts of **photosynthesis** inside the chloroplast in a **plant** cell.

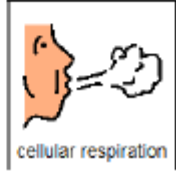
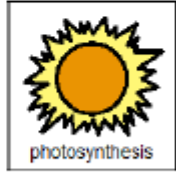
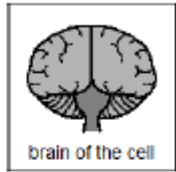


 chloroplast	$CO_2$	 water	 sunlight	 ATP
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50  $\mu m$

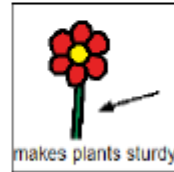
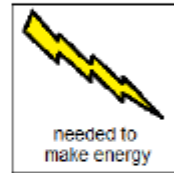
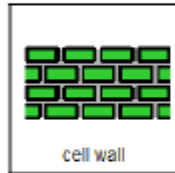
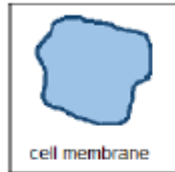
# Labeling

Draw a line matching the organelle to its function.

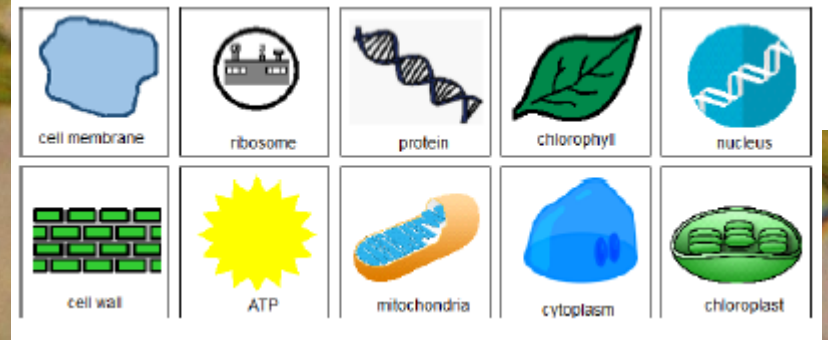


Matching

Draw a line matching the cell structure to its function.



Sorting



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## Cells

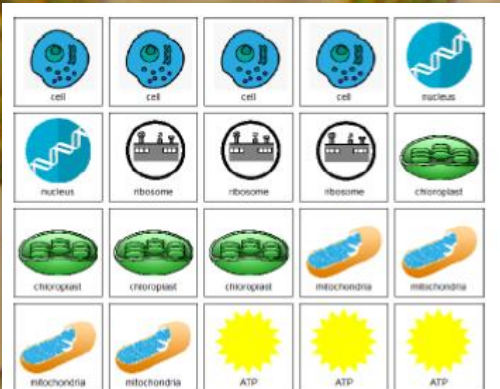
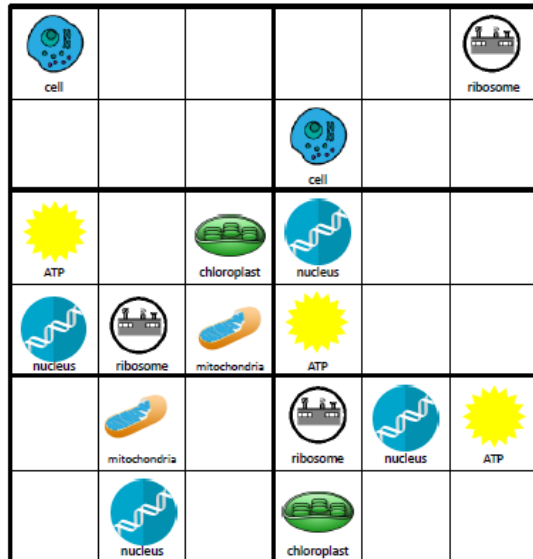
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 M I T O C H O N D R I  
 Y E U K A R Y O T I C  
 C E L L N U C L E U S U

Find the following words in the puzzle.  
 Words are hidden → and ↓.

MITOCHONDRIA    ORGANELLE    CELL  
 PROKARYOTIC    MEMBRANE    WALL  
 EUKARYOTIC    RIBOSOME  
 CYTOPLASM    NUCLEUS

## Vocab puzzles

## Cells



## Cells

1. Cells are the  of all living things.

2. All cells are surrounded by a  that protects it.

3. Most cells are eukaryotic and have a .

4. The nucleus is like the  of the cell.

5. The cell is filled with a Jell-O like substance called .

6. The cytoplasm  the things inside the cell.

7. The ribosomes are like  making proteins.

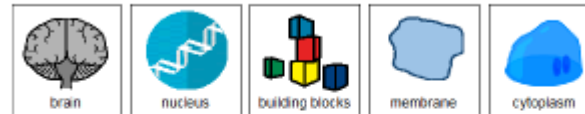
8. The mitochondria turn  inside the cell into energy.

in  cells and use the

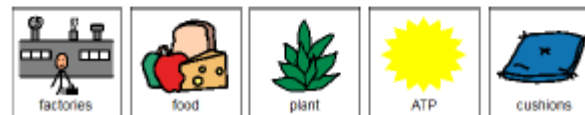
and plant cells make is called .

4 close worksheets

## Cells (page 1)



## Cells (page 2)



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# Assessment

1. All plant and animal cells are surrounded by a:



yarn

membrane

fence

2. A cell wall is an extra outer layer found only in:

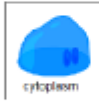
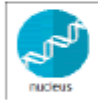


animals

plants

octopus

3. The brain of the cell is the:



nucleus

cytoplasm

cell wall

4. Which cells do NOT have a nucleus?



prokaryotic

skin

tongue

5. What are cells filled with that protect what is inside?



marshmallows

cotton candy

cytoplasm

7. These are the factories of the cell, and make lots of proteins.

- A. ribosomes
- B. cell wall
- C. chlorophyll

8. This is where cellular respiration occurs in plant and animal cells.

- A. protein
- B. nucleus
- C. mitochondria

9. Where does photosynthesis occur?

- A. prokaryotic
- B. teeth
- C. chloroplast

10. True or False. Plants can turn sunlight into food and then use that energy or ATP for the cell.

- A. true
- B. false
- C. I don't know

Q 3



nucleus



cytoplasm

Q 4



prokaryotic



skin



tongue

Plus directions for making a large 3D interactive cell and directions to make a cell pizza



Day 1

Place pictures in circle map ONLY IF the are about cells.

photosynthesis	cellular respiration	cell wall	silly
nucleus	organelles	ribosomes	mitochondria
plants	prokaryotic	heavy	ATP
cytoplasm	protein	animals	eukaryotic
membrane	sleep	huge	cushion

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Day 16

- All plant and animal cells are surrounded by a:
  - yarn
  - membrane
  - fence
- A cell wall is an extra outer layer found only in:
  - animals
  - plants
  - octopus
- The brain of the cell is the:
  - nucleus
  - cytoplasm
  - cell wall
- Which cells do NOT have a nucleus?
  - prokaryotic
  - skin
  - tongue
- What are cells filled with that protect what is inside?
  - marshmallows
  - cotton candy
  - cytoplasm

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Day 16

Place the circle on the correct answer.

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2 sets of slides; one with differentiation

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Day 4 differentiated

Create cellular respiration inside the mitochondria of a plant cell.

ribosome	oxygen
protein	food
ATP	

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Day 13 differentiated

Cells

- The cytoplasm the things inside the cell.
- The ribosomes are like making proteins.
- The mitochondria turn inside the cell into energy.
- Chloroplasts are found in cells and use the to make energy.
- The energy that animal and plant cells make is called .

Use the pictures to finish each sentence.

factories	food
plant	ATP
cushion	

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Differentiated with color or other method