

Organelle Riddles

Read each description below and then identify the correct cell structure. Write your answer in the line provided using only 10 of the following words:

Golgi complex	Cell membrane	Vesicle
Endoplasmic Reticulum	Cell Wall	Chloroplast
Nucleus	Vacuole	Chromosomes
Ribosomes	Lysosomes	Mitochondria

1. I'm a real "powerhouse".
That's plain to see.
I break down food
To release energy.

What am I? _____

6. I'm a series of tubes.
Found throughout the cell.
I transport proteins
And other things as well.

What am I? _____

2. I'm strong and stiff.
Cutting through me is tough.
I'm found only in plants.
I'm what makes sticks tough.

What am I? _____

7. I'm full of holes.
Flexible and thin.
I control what gets out
As well as what comes in.

What am I? _____

3. My name means colored bodies.
And I contain DNA.
I pass on traits to new cells
In a systematic way.

What am I? _____

8. Proteins are made here.
Even though I'm quite small.
You can find me in the cytoplasm
Or attached to the ER's wall.

What am I? _____

4. I'm the brain of the cell.
Or so they say.
I regulate activities
From day to day.

What am I? _____

9. I've been called the storage tank.
By those with little taste.
I'm a tank filled with water,
Food, enzymes, and waste.

What am I? _____

5. I'm found only in plant cells.
I'm as green as can be.
I make food for the plant.
Using the sun's energy.

What am I? _____

10. Since I contain many enzymes
I can digest an injured cell.
And can break down a large molecule
into many little smaller ones as well.

What am I? _____