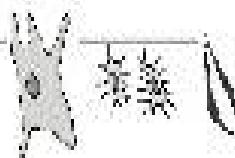


What's in Your Cells?

Cross-Curricular Focus: Life Science



Living things eat, grow, get rid of waste products and reproduce. All living things are made of cells. In even the tiniest unit of any living thing, there is a cell. Cells have special structures called organelles. The organelles help cells do the work of moving materials around, dividing to make more cells and making proteins for the body's needs.

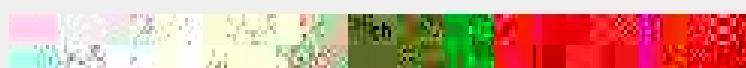
Cells get energy through a process called cellular respiration. During this process, cells convert sugar (called glucose) and oxygen into water and carbon dioxide. Carbon dioxide is the gas we breathe out. This whole process releases energy for the cell to use. The energy is stored as ATP. The cell keeps ATP in storage, like "back up power." It can be taken out to be used as needed. By storing ATP, the cell always has the energy it needs.

Living things can have just one cell or many. Single-celled organisms include things

Name _____

Answer the following questions based on the reading passage. Don't forget to go back to the passage whenever necessary to find or confirm your answers.

1) Contrast a plant cell with an animal cell. How can you tell them apart?



The full moon passes through the sun's shadow. This is called a solar eclipse. The moon begins to pass through the sun's shadow during the day. This is called a partial solar eclipse. As the moon moves further into the sun's shadow, it becomes a crescent shape. This phase is called a first quarter moon.

When does the moon appear as only a tiny sliver?

2) What is your favorite phase of the moon? Why?

As the moon moves through the sun's shadow, it appears as a large, bright circle. During this phase, some of the part that was lit up by the sun turns into the shadow. In the last quarter phase, the moon is full again. Again, the moon appears as a crescent shape. The moon also appears as a thin crescent shape once more. A new lunar cycle begins again with a new moon.