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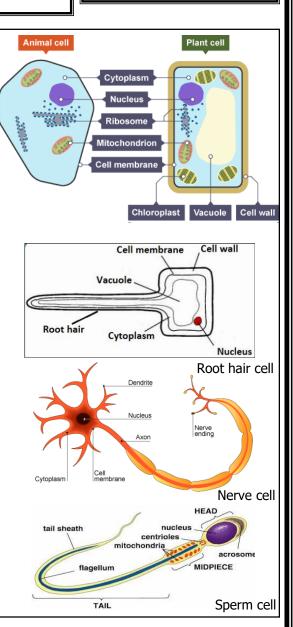


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Section 1: Cell Structure		Eukaryotic		Prokaryotic
Cell Structure	Function	Animal Cells	Plant Cells	Bacterial Cells
Nucleus	Contains genetic information that controls the functions of the cell.	Υ	Υ	
Cell membrane	Controls what enters and leaves the cell.	Υ	Υ	Υ
Cytoplasm	Where many cell activities and chemical reactions within the cell occur.	Y	Υ	Υ
Mitochondria	Provides energy from aerobic respiration .	Υ	Υ	
Ribosome	Synthesises (makes) proteins.	Υ	Υ	Y
Chloroplast	Where photosynthesis occurs.		Υ	
Permanent vacuole	Used to store water and other chemicals as cell sap .		Υ	
Cell wall	Strengthens and supports the cell. (Made of cellulose in plants.)		Υ	Υ
DNA loop	A loop of DNA , not enclosed within a nucleus.			Υ
Plasmid	A small circle of DNA , may contain genes associated with antibiotic resistance.			Υ

Section 2: Specialised Cells				
Specialised Cell	How structure relates to function			
Sperm cell	Acrosome contains enzyme to break into egg; tail to swim; many mitochondria to provide energy to swim.			
Nerve cell	Long to transmit electrical impulses over a distance.			
Muscle cell	Contain protein fibres that can contract when energy is available, making the cells shorter.			
Root hair cell	Long extension to increase surface area for water and mineral uptake; thin cell wall .			
Xylem cell	Waterproofed cell wall; cells are hollow to allow water to move through.			
Phloem cell	Some cells have lots of mitochondria for active transport ; some cells have very little cytoplasm for sugars to move through easily.			







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Section 3: Micro	Section 3: Microscopy Section 4: Orders of Magnitude			
Magnification	The degree by which an object is enlarged .		Size in metres	Standard Form
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Resolution	The ability of a microscope to distinguish detail .	Millimetre (mm)	0.001m	10 ⁻³ m
Light microscope	Basic microscope with a maximum magnification of 1500x. Low resolution.	Micrometre (µm)	0.000001m	10 ⁻⁶ m
Electron microscope	Microscope with a much higher magnification (up to 500 000x) and resolving power than a light microscope. This means that it can be used to study cells in much finer detail.	Nanometre (nm)	0.00000001m	10 ⁻⁹ m
Section 7: Trans	sport Across Membranes			
Cell Structure	Definition	Uses		
	Spreading out of the particles (gas/ solution) resulting in a			

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Cell Structure	Definition	Uses
Diffusion		Oxygen and carbon dioxide in gas exchange (leaves and alveoli). Urea from cells into the blood plasma for excretion in the kidney.
Osmosis	The diffusion of water from a dilute solution to a concentrated solution through a partially permeable membrane.	Movement of water into and out of cells.
Active Transport	more concentrated solution (against a concentration	Absorption of mineral ions (low concentration) from soil into plant roots. Absorption of sugar molecules from lower concentrations in the gut into the blood which has a higher sugar concentration.

Section 8: Factors Affecting Diffusion	
Factor	Explanation
Difference in concentrations (concentration gradient)	The greater the difference in concentrations, the faster the rate of diffusion.
Temperature	Particles move more quickly at higher temperatures, so rate of diffusion increases.
Surface area of membrane	The greater the surface area the quicker the rate of diffusion.

	Section 9: Adaptations of Exchange Surfaces
	Large surface area
	Thin membrane to provide a short diffusion path
	Ventilation (in animals for gas exchange – maintains a concentration gradient)
1	Efficient blood supply (in animals – maintains a concentration gradient)