**BIOLOGY: Compulsory task**



**Task 1: Cells word fill exercise**

Cells are fundamental to understanding Biology. Complete the paragraph on cells below using the words below to fill in the gaps. Words may be used multiple times or not at all. If you are unsure about what cells are made of, revise this using the following link: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z84jtv4/revision/1>

Words: micrometres, functions, metre, irregular, tissues, glucose, regular, membrane, cytoplasm, wall, small, vacuole, nucleus, tissues, organs, cell, dead, plastic, single, chloroplasts.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the basic unit of life. Microorganisms such as bacteria, yeast, and amoebae exist as single cells. By contrast, the adult human is made up of about 30 trillion cells which are mostly organized into collectives called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Tissues are made from cells of a similar type. Organs are made from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and systems are made from several \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ working together. Some cells have specialised \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Cells are usually \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with lengths measured in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (μm, where 1000 μm = 1 mm). The first person to observe and record cells was Robert Hooke (1635–1703) who described the cella (open spaces) of plant tissues. Animal cells usually have an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_shape, and plant cells usually have a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ shape. Cells are made up of different parts. Animal cells and plant cells both contain: cell surface\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Plant cells also contain these parts, not found in animal cells: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, cell \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Task 2: Numeracy**

Conversions

Convert the following into µm:

1. 6mm
2. 18mm
3. 65cm
4. 7.8mm
5. 9.8m

Convert the following into mm:

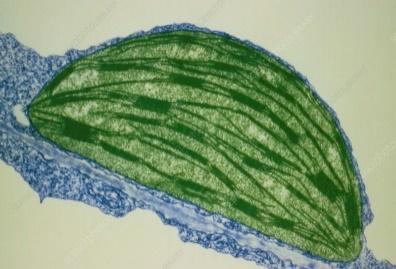
1. 13µm
2. 4.5µm
3. 7.8nm
4. 12nm
5. 95µm

Magnification calculations

1. The actual length of the line A-B is 6mm. Calculate the magnification.



1. The magnification of this image is x500. Calculate the actual length of the line C-D.





**Task 3. Graphing exercise**

The table below shows the activity of three enzymes at different temperatures. You will have to plot data like this during your biology course. Before drawing any graph there are several things you will need to consider such as:

1. How big should the graph be? What proportion of the paper should you use?
2. What type of graph should it be? A line graph, a bar chart or a histogram?
3. If you choose a line graph how will you draw a line to show the pattern the data shows?
4. On which axis should the Dependent Variable be and which axis the Independent Variable? If you do not know what these terms mean please look them up.
5. How will you label each axis?
6. What will you title your graph?
7. What scale will you use on each axis? Does each scale have to start at zero?

Once you have made all of the decisions above convert the data in the table into a suitable graph and answer the 3 questions about the data.

| Temperature (oC) | The percentage reaction rate for each enzyme (%) | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| DNA Polymerase  (from *Thermus aquaticus*) | Amylase | Trypsin |
| 0 | 0 | 17 | 0 |
| 20 | 2 | 48 | 27 |
| 30 | 5 | 87 | 81 |
| 40 | 12 | 75 | 98 |
| 60 | 55 | 7 | 32 |
| 80 | 86 | 0 | 0 |
| 100 | 73 | 0 | 0 |

Questions

1. What can you conclude about the effect of temperature on amylase’s activity?
2. Which enzyme has the greatest activity at the highest temperature? Which enzyme is the most active at the lowest temperature?
3. What is the optimum temperature for each enzyme?



**Task 4. Biomolecules Quiz**

Enzymes are important molecules inside cells. You will need to know a lot about the molecules of life in Biology, so it is a good idea to make sure you are familiar with molecules like enzymes, proteins and DNA. Answer the following questions about biological molecules. You can only select one answer. If you need to revise this look here: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zcttv9q/revision/1>

1. Enzymes are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ because they only work on one substrate.

a) specific

b) particular

c) exact

2. The substrate fits into the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the surface of the enzyme.

a) location

b) slot

c) active site

3. Enzymes affect the rate of a chemical reaction by

a) slowing them down

b) speeding them up

c) keeping them the same rate

4. Enzymes are only needed in small amounts by cells because

a) they are very efficient

b) they can be reused

c) they are destroyed by the reaction

5. Enzymes are made of

a) carbohydrate

b) lipid

c) protein

6. As temperature increases, molecules gain \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ kinetic energy.

a) less

b) the same

c) more

7. If the temperature gets too high the rate of reaction will

a) increase as the enzyme carries on working well

b) plateau as the enzyme is working at a maximal rate

c) decrease as the enzyme becomes denatured

8. Why is an enzyme specific for a particular substrate?

a) the shape of the substrate fits exactly into the active site like a lock and key

b) proteins can be made in many shapes and so it is possible to make an enzyme that will fit any possible biological molecule that may be encountered

c) the product diffuses away so the enzyme is free to associate with another substrate

9. There will be a set of conditions where an enzyme will work at its maximal rate. This is known as the

a) correct temperature and pH

b) favourite conditions

c ) optimum conditions

10. In our bodies, enzymes are found

a) only in our digestive systems

b) in biological washing powder

c) in all cells

11. Carbon can form \_\_\_\_\_\_ bonds.

a) 3

b) 4

c) 5

12. How many strands make up a molecule of DNA?

a) 1

b) 2

c) 3

13. What are the bases in DNA?

a) guanine, cytosine, thymine, adenine

b) adenine, uracil, cytosine, thymine

c) thymine adenine, guanine, uracil

14. Insulin is an example of a

a) lipid

b) carbohydrate

c) protein

15. An example of a structural protein found in the skin is

a) chlorophyll

b) haemoglobin

c) collagen

16. If a plant cell is placed in a concentrated sugar solution what will happen?

1. Water will diffuse into the cell by osmosis
2. Water will diffuse out of the cell cytoplasm by osmosis
3. Sugar diffuses into the cell through the cell surface membrane