

SUBJECT:

UNIT: Year 8: Respiration



While you were away.

Lesson one: Aerobic respiration

1. What is aerobic respiration?
2. What are the products of aerobic respiration?

Lesson two: Anaerobic respiration

1. What is anaerobic respiration?
2. What are the products of anaerobic respiration?

Lesson three: Comparing aerobic and anaerobic respiration

1. What do both aerobic and anaerobic respiration release?
2. What is different about them?

Lesson Four and five: Exercise

1. What is an oxygen debt?
2. What happens to heart rate during exercise?

Lesson seven and eight: Fermentation

1. What carries out fermentation?
2. Write the equation for fermentation?

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Key Vocabulary

Breathing

The movement of air in and out of the lungs

Respiration

The chemical reaction which occurs in all living cells, releasing energy from glucose

Aerobic

Respiration that uses oxygen

Anaerobic

Respiration

Respiration that occurs when there is not enough oxygen

Fermentation

Anaerobic respiration that is completed by yeast.

Mitochondria

An organelle where respiration occurs

Respiration

Respiration is a chemical reaction which occurs in every one of the cells in the human body. It releases energy stored in glucose and without it, these cells would die.

Ambitious Vocabulary

Mitochondria, fatigued, oxygen debt

Aerobic Respiration

Aerobic respiration slowly releases lots of energy stored in glucose. It mostly occurs in tiny parts of your cells called mitochondria which are found in the cytoplasm.

Oxygen + Glucose → Carbon Dioxide + Water

Oxygen Debt

After vigorous exercise, people continue to breathe deeply and quickly for a short period. This is called excess post-exercise oxygen consumption or EPOC. It used to be called 'oxygen debt.' During this time, the lactic acid reacts with oxygen to form carbon dioxide and water, and releases the rest of the energy originally in the glucose.

Anaerobic Respiration

For a short period during vigorous exercise, the body's cells may not have enough oxygen. This means aerobic respiration cannot occur and anaerobic respiration happens instead.

Anaerobic respiration releases less energy than aerobic respiration but it does this faster. The product of this reaction is lactic acid. This builds up in muscles causing pain and tiredness, which can lead to a cramp.

Glucose → Lactic Acid

Oxygen Debt

During exercise, more energy is required by the body than when resting, due to increased muscle contractions. The body reacts to this increased demand for energy by:

- The heart rate, breathing rate, and volume of each breath all increase.
- Together, these increase the amount of oxygenated blood reaching the muscles.
- The oxygenated blood provides the extra oxygen and glucose needed for respiration in muscle cells, to release more energy to meet demand.

	Reactant(s)	Products(s)	Rate of reaction	Energy released
Aerobic respiration	Glucose, oxygen	Carbon dioxide, water	Slow	More
Anaerobic respiration	Glucose	Lactic acid	Fast	Less

Fermentation

Some bacteria and fungi such as yeast complete their own version of anaerobic respiration called fermentation. This is the equation:

Glucose → ethanol + carbon dioxide

Yeast undergoes fermentation when bread and beer is made. Ethanol is the alcohol produced. This is evaporated away when bread is baked. Carbon dioxide gas trapped in bread makes it rise and gives beer its bubbles.