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#### **Animal Cells**

Animal cells are equipped with many <u>structures</u> that allow the cell to perform a variety of <u>functions</u>.



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## **Cell Parts and Organelles**



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#### Animal Cell Parts (also found in plant cells)

cell membrane - thin covering that controls the flow of materials in and out of the cell. cytoplasm - jelly-like substance contains the organelles (specialized cell parts) mitochondria – membrane-bound, provide energy for cells ribosomes – proteins that are manufacturing factories for proteins endoplasmic reticulum - membrane-covered channels that act as a transport system for materials made in the cell vesicles - membrane-covered sacs formed by the endoplasmic reticulum. Vesicles transport new proteins to the Golgi body. Golgi body – membrane-bound, sorts and packages proteins for transport nucleus - controls all cell activities nucleolus - membrane-free organelle that makes ribosomes nuclear membrane - protects the contents of the nucleus Nuclear pores - openings in the nuclear membrane that allow only certain materials to pass

vacuoles - membrane-bound storage containers

### **Cell Parts and Organelles**

#### **Plant Cells**

Plant cells are equipped with some structures that animal cells <u>do not</u> have.

chloroplasts – membrane-bound, trap energy from Sun to make glucose, food for the plant cell wall - tough, rigid structure that surrounds cell membrane, provides protection and structural support large vacuoles – membrane-bound, plant cells are equipped with a large vacuole for storing water



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### **Cell Parts and Organelles**





## ACTIVITY: The Cell as like a...



On the right column, compare your cell to something like a city, a factory, a company, a human body, a school, etc.

#### City

#### Human Body



### **HOMEWORK Qs**

- Checking Concepts pg. 135
  - Question 1 only
  - BRING SCISSORS TOMORROW!

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# The Nucleus and DNA

 The nucleus contains DNA (<u>deoxyribonucleic acid</u>);
DNA is the molecule has the master set of <u>instructions</u> for how cells <u>function</u>, what they will <u>produce</u>, and when they will <u>die</u>.

#### **Structure of DNA**

- DNA looks like a <u>twisted ladder</u> two strands wrap around each other in a <u>spiral</u> shape.
- The sides of the DNA ladder are made of sugar and phosphate.
- The steps of the ladder are made of four nitrogen bases:



adenine (A), guanine (G), cytosine (C), and thymine (T).

- The bases join in a specific way
  - <u>A</u> always joins with <u>T</u>
  - <u>G</u> always joins with <u>C</u>

- Sugar + Phosphate + Nitrogen base =
  - NUCLEOTIDE



# **DNA Structure**



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#### Every organism has a specific number of chromosomes

 Human cells have 46 chromosomes arranged in 23 pairs

**DNA** in the Nucleus

- The 23rd pair determines gender; •
  - XX for females
  - <u>XY</u> for males





#### Most of the time DNA is in the form of chromatin







### **ACTIVITY: Modelling DNA**





### **HOMEWORK Qs**



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• Question 7, 8, 9, 13

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### **ACTIVITY: Modelling DNA**





#### Genes

- Genes are small segments of DNA located on a chromosome
- Genes store the information needed to produce proteins
- Each chromosome can carry thousands of genes
- All your body cells have the same genes, but only specific genes are "read" in each cell to produce specific proteins
  - E.g. hemoglobin
- Specialized proteins called **enzymes** and **hormones** carry out important specific functions in the body





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### **HOMEWORK TIME**



#### YOUR HOMEWORK SO FAR...

- Check Your Understanding pg. 135
  - Question 1, 7, 8, 9, 13
  - Study for Cell Organelles QUIZ tomorrow!

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#### **REVIEW: Classroom DNA**





## **Production of Proteins**

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- Protein production in the cell involves several important steps (E.g. Insulin):
  - 1. The nucleus receives a chemical signal to make a specific protein.
  - 2. The DNA message (gene) for the protein is copied into a small molecule called RNA.
  - 3. RNA leaves the nucleus through a nuclear pore.
  - 4. The RNA message is delivered to a ribosome, the ribosome makes the protein.
  - 5. The manufactured protein enters the endoplasmic reticulum (ER).
  - 6. A vesicle forms at the end of the ER, and carries the protein to the Golgi body.
  - 7. The Golgi body repackages the protein for transport out of the cell.
  - 8. A vesicle forms off the end of the Golgi body to carry the protein to the cell membrane.
  - 9. The vesicle attaches to the cell membrane, and its protein contents are released out of the cell.



# ACTIVITY: Teach me how to PROTEIN!



### **HOMEWORK Qs**



• Checking Your Understanding pg. 135

• Question 3, 4, 5, 6

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