

# **CHAPTER 2: CELL STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONS**

## **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

### **2.1 Prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells**

- a) State the three principles of cell theory
- b) Explain the structures of prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells
- c) Illustrate and compare the structures of prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells (plant & animal cells)

### **2.2 Structures & Functions: Cell Membrane and Organelles**

- a) Show the detailed structures of typical plant and animal cells and state the organelles present
- b) Explain the structures and functions of the following organelles:
- c) nucleus, rough endoplasmic reticulum @ ER, smooth ER, Golgi body, lysosome, ribosome, mitochondria, chloroplast and centriole
- d) Show the structure of plasma membrane based on Fluid Mosaic Model
- e) Explain the structure of the plasma membrane and the functions of each of its components

### **2.3 Cells are grouped into tissues**

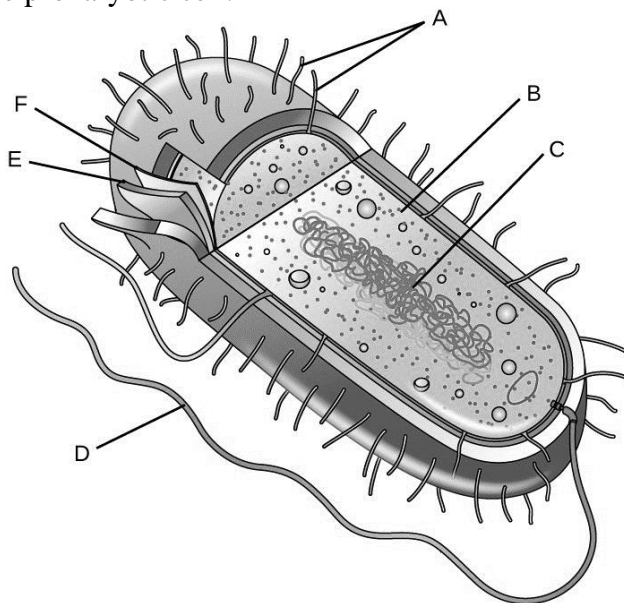
- a) Describe animal tissues and plant tissues
- b) Explain the following types of cells and tissues
  - i. Animal cells and tissues:  
Epithelial cells (simple squamous, simple cuboidal, simple columnar, stratified squamous); Nerve cell (motor neuron), Muscle cells (smooth, striated, cardiac); Connective tissues (compact bone, hyaline cartilage, blood)
  - ii. Plant cells and tissues:  
Meristem, parenchyma, collenchyma, sclerenchyma, xylem, phloem

### **2.4 Cell Transport**

- a) Overview the various transport mechanisms across the membrane
- b) Explain the various transport mechanisms across the membrane
  - i. Passive transport:  
Simple diffusion, facilitated diffusion, osmosis
  - ii. Active transport:  
Sodium-potassium pump; Bulk transport (endocytosis, exocytosis)

**STRUCTURED QUESTIONS**

1. **FIGURE 1** shows the prokaryotic cell.



**FIGURE 1**

a) Name the structure B, C, E and F.

[3 marks]

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b) State the function of structure A and D.

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c) How does the structure E differ with plant.

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d) List the differences between prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells

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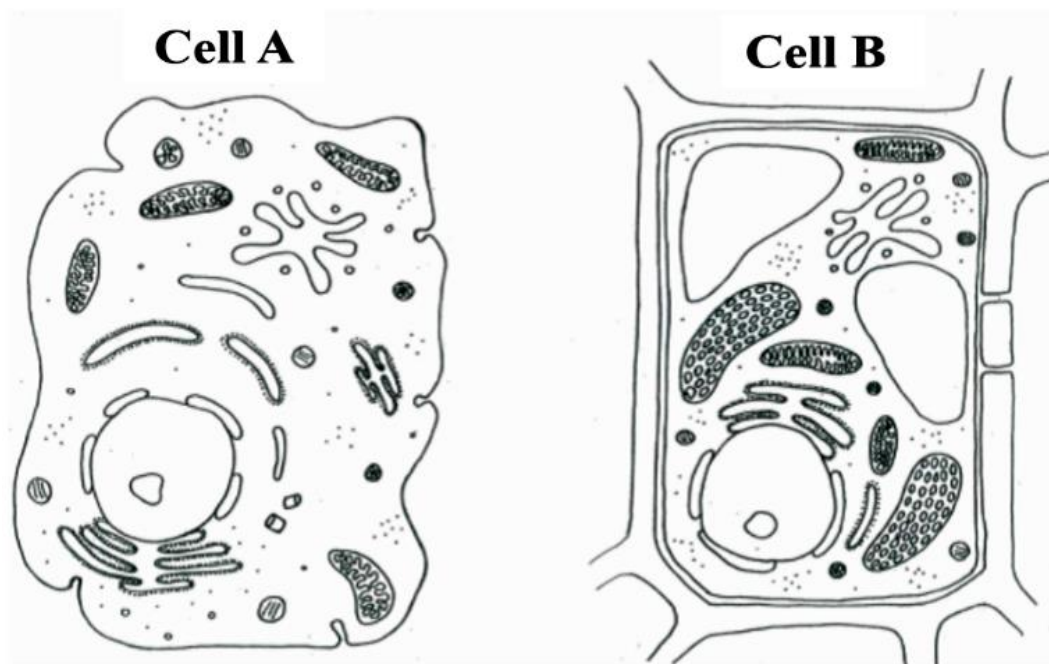


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2. **FIGURE 2** shows two different types of eukaryotic cells.



**FIGURE 2**

a) Which cell represents a plant cell? Give **TWO** reasons for your answer.

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b) With the help of the above diagram, list out the differences between plant and animal cells.

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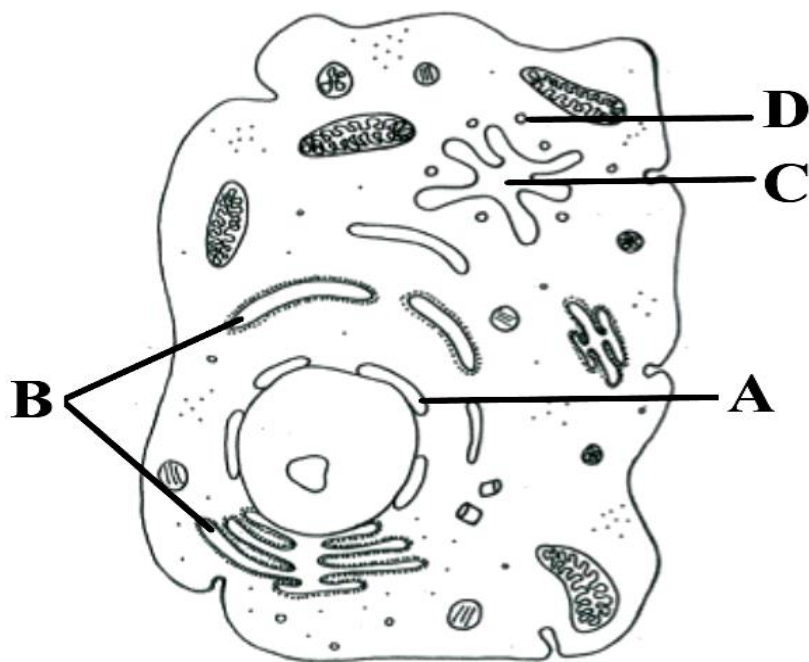


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3. **FIGURE 3** below shows the structure of an animal cell.



**FIGURE 3**

a) Identify structures **A**, **B** and **C**

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b) What is the relationship between:

i. Ribosomes and structure **B**?

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ii. Structure **B** and **C** in a protein-secreting cell?

[3 marks]

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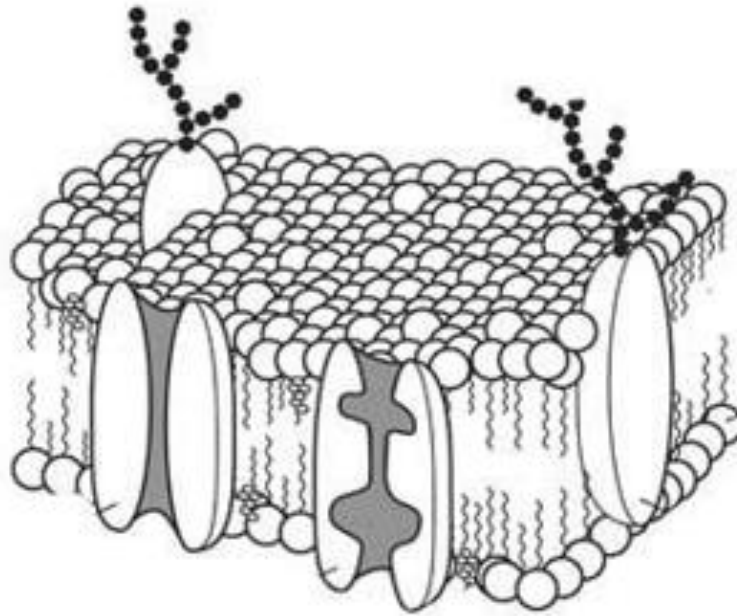
c) State one function of the centriole and lysosome found in animal cells.

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4. **FIGURE 4** shows the plasma membrane model.



**FIGURE 4**

a) Name the model in **FIGURE 4**

[1 mark]

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b) Explain why the model is described as in (a)

[2 marks]

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c) Explain how the phospholipid molecules form a double layer in a cell

[3 marks]

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d) Explain the important of the hydrophobic areas in the membrane.

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- e) Cell membranes also contain protein molecules. State FOUR function of these protein molecules.

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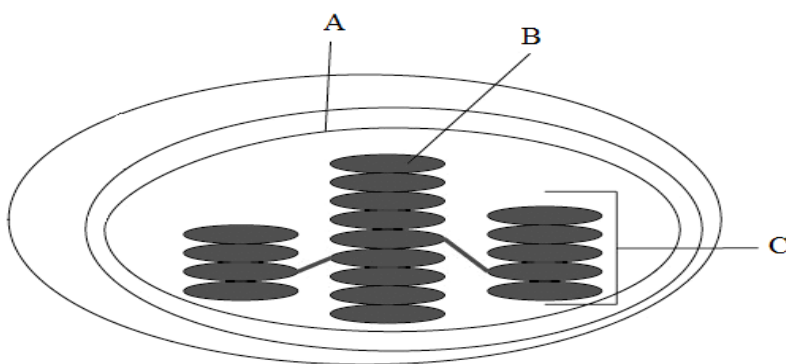


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5. **FIGURE 5** shows an organelle



**FIGURE 5**

- a) Name the structures labeled A, B and C

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- a) State the function of the organelles.

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- b) Give **TWO** structures that the above organelle and mitochondria have in common.

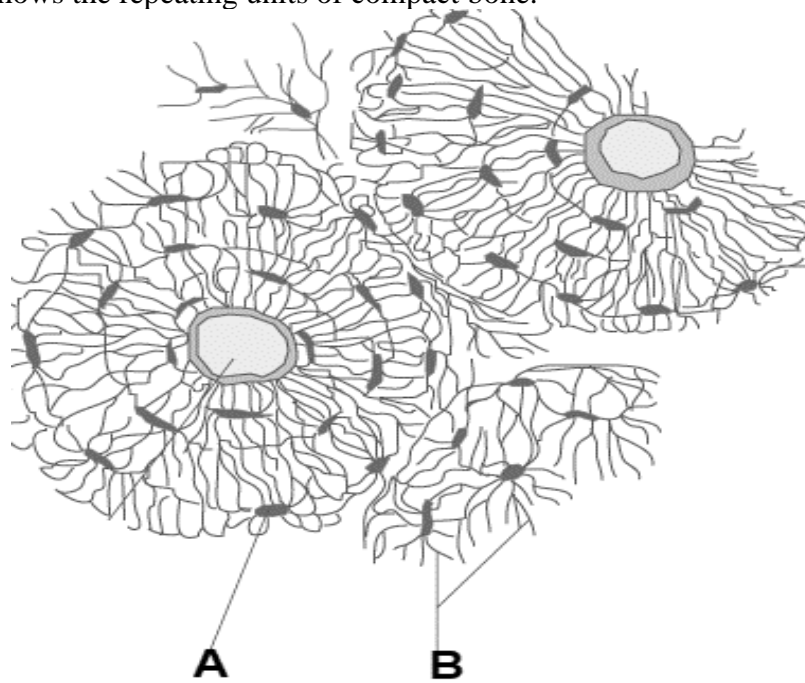
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6. **FIGURE6** shows the repeating units of compact bone.



**FIGURE 6**

a) Name the structures labelled A and B.

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b) What is the name of the repeating units of compact bone?

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c) Give **THREE** functions of bones.

[3 marks]

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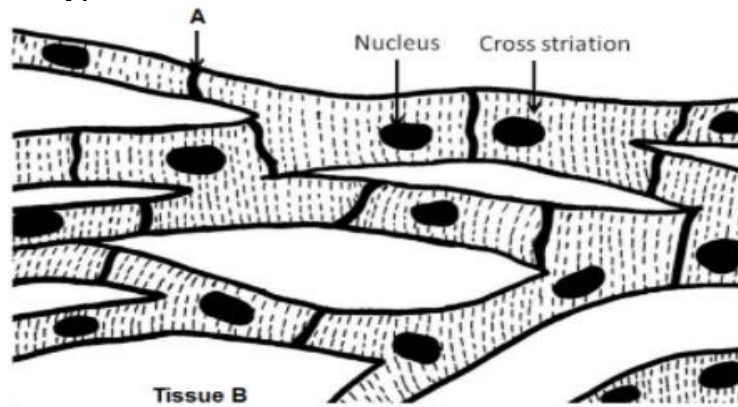


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7. **FIGURE 7** shows a type of muscle tissue.



**FIGURE 7**

a) Identify tissue B. Give your reason.

[2 marks]

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b) Name the structure labelled A.

[1 mark]

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c) Give **THREE** differences between tissue B and muscle tissue lining the small intestine.

[3 marks]

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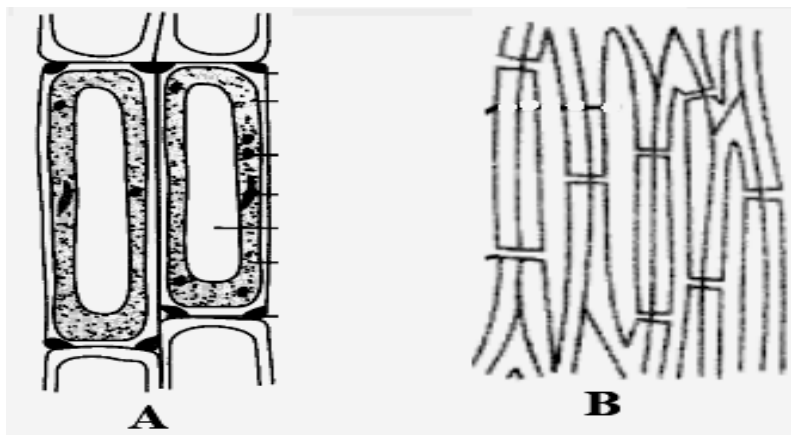


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8. **FIGURE 8** shows the longitudinal sections of two supporting tissues in plants.



**FIGURE 8**

- a) Name tissue **A** and **B**.

[2 marks]

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- b) Suggest **TWO** reasons why tissue A is more suitable to act as supporting tissue in petioles and midrib of leaves of herbaceous plants.

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- c) Differentiate the structures B with parenchyma tissues.

[3 marks]

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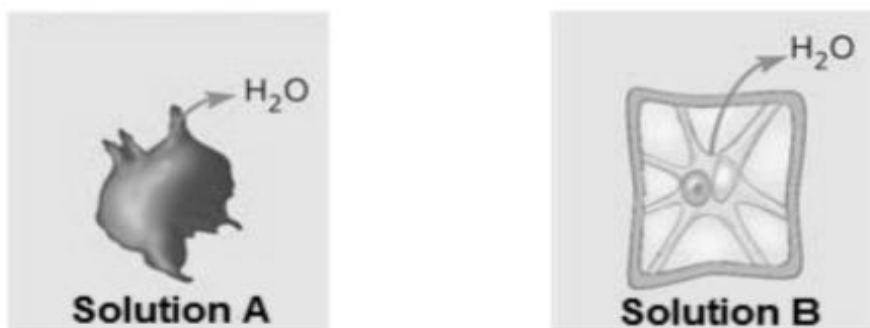


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9. **FIGURE 9** shows an animal cell and a plant cell immersed in hypertonic solutions.



**FIGURE 9**

- a) Define osmosis

[2 marks]

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- b) By using specific terms, describe what happen to animal cell and plant cell in the solution above.

[2 marks]

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- c) Before immersed in the solution, the plant cell has solute potential  $-2200 \text{ kPa}$  and pressure potential  $1000 \text{ kPa}$  while solution B has water potential  $-1800 \text{ kPa}$ .

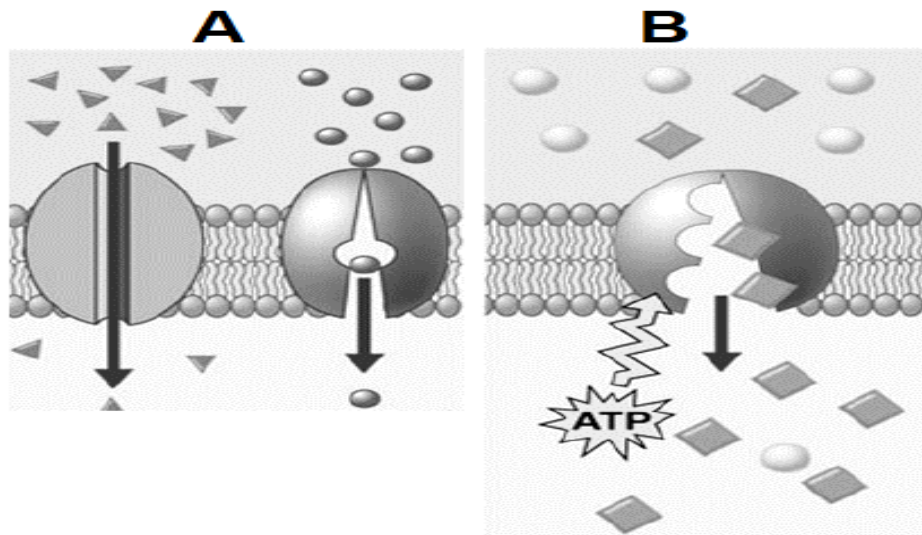
i. Calculate the water potential of the plant cell.

[2 marks]

ii. Calculate the water potential at equilibrium between plant cell and solution B.

[2 marks]

10. **FIGURE 10** shows transport mechanism of molecules across plasma membrane.



**FIGURE 10**

a) Name the mechanism A and B.

[2 marks]

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b) Compare between mechanism B with facilitated diffusion

[3 marks]

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c) Explain the mechanism of active transport based on sodium potassium pump.

[6 marks]

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