

Subject: KS3 Science

Topic: **Ecosystem**

Year Group: 8



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Respiration is a series of chemical reactions, in cells, that breaks down glucose to provide energy and form new molecules. Most living things use aerobic respiration but switch to anaerobic respiration

Knowledge: Respiration

glucose with oxygen to release energy and producing carbon dioxide and water Anaerobic respiration (fermentation): Releasing energy from the breakdown of

Aerobic respiration: Breaking down

glucose without oxygen, producing lactic acid (in animals) and ethanol and carbon dioxide (in plants and microorganisms) Fermentation is a type of anaerobic respiration which occurs in yeast,

yeast produces ethanol, which is a

Additional info: Energy is needed for life processes such growth and repair, movement and to control body temperature

Aerobic - More efficient - produces more energy per glucose molecule Anaerobic- Less efficient - produces less energy per glucose molecule

Knowledge: Photosynthesis

Photosynthesis is the process which occurs in the chloroplasts to produce glucose using sunlight – The rate of photosynthesis can be

in energy)

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affected by light intensity, carbon dioxide concentration and temperature It converts carbon dioxide and water into glucose and oxygen

It uses light energy to power the chemical 2 reaction, which is absorbed by the green pigment chlorophyll This means that photosynthesis is an

> organism Any that can use photosynthesis to produce its own food is known as a producer, these are not just limited to plants but can include other organisms such as algae

Photosynthesis: carbon dioxide +

example of an endothermic reaction (takes

type of alcohol

Aerobic : glucose + oxygen → carbon dioxide + water

Anaerobic: glucose → lactic acid Fermentation: glucose \rightarrow ethanol + carbon dioxide

water → glucose + oxygen

Knowledge: key word equations

Key Vocabulary - Respiration

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I	Respiration	Is the chemical reaction which occurs inside the mitochondria
2	Aerobic	Breaking down glucose with oxygen
3	Anaerobic	Breaking down glucose without oxygen
4	Fermentation	In plants/yeast cells, anaerobic respiration makes different products. This is called fermentation.

Key Vocabulary - Photosynthesis

	Fertilisers	Chemicals containing minerals that plants need to build new tissues
2	Photosynthesis	A process where plants and algae turn carbon dioxide and water into

glucose and release oxygen.

Green pigment in plants and 3 Chlorophyll algae which absorbs light energy

Pores in the bottom of a leaf 4 Stomata which open and close to let gases in and out