Section A: Key Vocabulary Tier 3 vocabulary Definition	
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Metabolic rate (n)	The rate at which the body uses energy.
Polymer (n)	Substance made of many monomers
	bonded together.
Monomer (n)	Identical repetitive units that make up a
	polymer.
Aerobic	Transferring energy from glucose and
respiration (n)	oxygen.
Anaerobic	Transferring energy from glucose, with no
respiration (n)	oxygen.
ATP (n)	Chemical energy store.
Exothermic	Chemical reaction in which energy is
reaction (n)	transferred to its surroundings.
Endothermic	Chemical reaction in which energy is
reaction (n	transferred from the surroundings.
Oxygen debt (n)	Oxygen required to break down lactic acid
	formed in anaerobic respiration.
Fermentation (n)	Type of anaerobic respiration that
	produces ethanol and carbon dioxide.
Limiting factor (n)	Factors that prevent an increase in the rate
	of photosynthesis.
1/t	Equation to calculate the rate of
	photosynthesis, where t=time.
1/distance from	Inverse square law equation. Tells you the
light source ²	relative light intensity, when a light source
	is placed at different distances from a
	plant.
Tier 2 vocabulary	Definition
Dependent (adj)	Contingent on or determined by.
Independent (adj)	Free from outside control; not subject to
Formant (::)	another's authority.
Ferment (v)	Of a substance to undergo fermentation.
Experiment (n)	A scientific procedure undertaken to make
	a discovery, test a hypothesis, or demonstrate a known fact.
Syringe (n)	A tube with a nozzle and piston or bulb for
	sucking in and ejecting liquid in a thin

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Section B: Photosynthesis

Photosynthesis Equations

 $6CO_2 + 6H_2O \rightarrow C_6H_{12}O_6 + 6O_2$

Carbon dioxide + Water → Glucose + Oxygen

Photosynthesis is an **endothermic** reaction.

Stages of Photosynthesis

Photosynthesis can be split into two main stages:

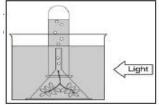
Stage 1: (light dependent) –

Energy transferred from light splits water molecules into oxygen gas and hydrogen ions.

Stage 2: (light independent) –carbon dioxide gas combines with the hydrogen ions to make glucose.

Photosynthesis Experiment

This experiment can be used to test the effect of changing conditions on the rate of photosynthesis. An upturned test tube is placed above an aquatic plant, such as pondweed. The



intensity of light can be changed, and the amount of bubbles produced counted for each light intensity. We would expect to see a greater amount of bubbles for greater light intensity. A more accurate way of measuring the rate of photosynthesis is to use a gas syringe. This will allow you to measure the volume of oxygen produced.

Section C: Diagrams

Respiration Equations

Aerobic respiration

 $C_6H_{12}O_6 + 6O_2 \rightarrow 6CO_2 + 6H_2O$

Glucose + Oxygen → Carbon dioxide + Water

Anaerobic respiration

Glucose → Lactic acid

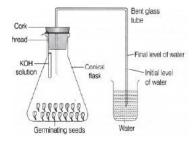
Fermentation

 $C_6H_{12}O_6 \rightarrow 2C_2H_5OH + 2CO_2$

Glucose → Ethanol + Carbon Dioxide

Respiration is an **exothermic** reaction.

Respiration Experiment



This is a common experiment to show that the germinating seeds release CO_2 during respiration. This is absorbed by the KOH solution. Due to the CO_2 being absorbed, a vacuum is created in the flask, which causes the level of water in the delivery tube to rise.