

Check the items you feel most confident with, and focus on items you are least confident with. *Start with your notes and assignments first*, then fill in details with your textbook if you are unclear on the information in the notes.

Scientific Method, Cells and Cell Processes (p. 8 – 15, p. 169 - 185)

- Conduct a controlled experiment
- Describe Protein Synthesis
- Compare and contrast diffusion and osmosis
- Compare and contrast the processes of mitosis and meiosis
- Describe the 8 characteristics of life
- Recognize the structure of the 4 molecules of life
- State the function and give examples of the 4 molecules of life
- State the 2 types of cells
- Within eukaryotic cells, compare plant and animal cells
- Relate the structure to function for all the organelles
- Compare and contrast cellular respiration and photosynthesis and explain the relationship between them

Evolution (p. 369 – 386, p. 397 – 402, p. 435 – 440)

- describe the basic structure of deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) with reference to the following terms:
 - double helix
 - sugar-phosphate backbone
 - nitrogenous bases (A, T, C, G)
 - complementary base pairing (A-T, C-G)
- explain the role of DNA in evolution
- describe the five agents of evolutionary change: mutation, genetic drift, gene flow, non-random mating, and natural selection
- differentiate among and give examples of convergent evolution, divergent evolution, and speciation
- compare the gradual change model with the punctuated equilibrium model of evolution

Taxonomy (p. 447 – 461)

- explain how the following principles are used in taxonomy to classify organisms:
 - evolutionary relationships
 - homologous structures
 - embryological relationships
- compare characteristics of a prokaryotic cell with those of a eukaryotic cell
- describe the unifying characteristics of organisms in each of the following kingdoms:
 - Archaeobacteria
 - Eubacteria
 - Protista
 - Fungi
 - Plantae
 - Animalia
- classify selected organisms using the following taxons: kingdom, phylum (and sub-phylum), class, order, family, genus, species
- apply binomial nomenclature to name selected organisms

Microbiology – Viruses (p. 16 – 20, p. 478 – 483)

- identify criteria for classifying organisms as living
- describe the basic structure of a virus, including the antigens, the membranous envelope, the protein capsid, and the nucleic acid core (DNA or RNA)
- identify the role of the host cell in viral reproduction
- compare the lytic and lysogenic cycles
- define and give examples of viral specificity
- describe the body's basic lines of defence against a viral attack, including
 - primary line of defence (e.g., skin, mucous membranes, tears)
 - secondary line of defence (e.g., phagocytic white blood cells engulf viruses)
 - tertiary line of defence (e.g., white blood cells called lymphocytes produce antibodies)
- give examples of ways to reduce the spread of viral diseases

Microbiology – Bacteria (p. 471 – 477)

- examine bacteria and identify the characteristics that unify them
- use examples to illustrate bacteria diversity with respect to the following:
 - classification
 - shape and grouping of cells
 - motility

- ecological role
- nutrition (fermentation, aerobic respiration, photosynthesis)
- reproduction (binary fission, conjugation)
- human diseases
- give examples of the beneficial roles of bacteria
- conduct an experiment using sterile technique to test the effects of various antibacterial agents (e.g., antibiotics, disinfectants, and antiseptics) on bacterial cultures
- analyse and interpret data from experiments to draw conclusions about the effectiveness of particular agents on specific bacteria
- explain how bacteria mutate to become resistant to antibiotics

Animal Biology – General (p. 657 – 663) & (745 – 749)

- compare phyla in terms of
 - levels of organization – cell, tissue, organ, organ system
 - cephalization
 - development of a coelom
 - symmetry
 - reproduction
- describe the life functions animals need to survive, including
 - feeding
 - respiration
 - circulation (internal transport)
 - excretion
 - reproduction
 - response (nervous system) and motility
- compare the advantages and disadvantages of different ways animals carry out their life functions (e.g., filter feeding vs. hunting, parasitic vs. free-living, asexual vs. sexual reproduction, sessile vs. motile)
- compare invertebrates based on germ layers, body symmetry, cephalization, coelom and early development

Animal Biology – Porifera & Cnidaria (p. 664 – 675)

- examine members of the Phylum Porifera and identify their unifying characteristics
- describe how poriferans carry out their life functions
- examine members of the Phylum Cnidaria and identify their unifying characteristics
- describe how cnidarians carry out their life functions
- compare polyp and medusa with respect to structure, general function, and motility
- suggest the advantages of a motile form in the life cycle of a cnidarian
- describe how cnidarians sting their prey

Animal Biology – Platyhelminthes, Nematoda & Annelida (p. 683 – 699)

- examine members of the Phylum Platyhelminthes and describe their unifying characteristics
- describe how platyhelminthes carry out their life functions
- examine members of the Phylum Nematoda and describe their unifying characteristics
- describe how nematodes carry out their life functions
- examine members of the Phylum Annelida and describe their unifying characteristics
- describe how annelids carry out their life functions
- describe the physical changes that were necessary for flatworms and roundworms to become parasitic
- evaluate the characteristics of a successful parasite
- describe human disorders that are caused by non-segmented worms
- compare platyhelminthes, nematodes, and annelids with respect to evolutionary changes
- describe the ecological roles of platyhelminthes, nematodes, and annelids

Animal Biology – Arthropoda & Echinodermata (p. 715 – 738)

- examine members of the Phylum Echinodermata and describe their unifying characteristics
- describe how echinoderms carry out their life functions
- examine members of the Phylum Arthropoda and describe their unifying characteristics
- describe how arthropods carry out their life functions

Animal Biology – Chordata (Animal Kingdom II Reading and Questions)

- identify 4 characteristics of chordates
- explain why all vertebrates are chordates, but not all chordates are vertebrates.
- compare and contrast the different classes of vertebrates
- explain the different types of fish
- explain why mammals are so successful