

Photosynthesis & Cellular Respiration Puzzle Activity

Identify Your Puzzle Pieces

1. Write the *name* of the *molecule*, *word*, or *symbol* next to the line.

CO₂ _____

O₂ _____

H₂O _____

Energy _____

C₆H₁₂O₆ _____

→ _____

Put Your Pieces Together for PHOTOSYNTHESIS

1. Write this equation below:

_____ + _____ + _____ → _____ + _____

2. Use the NAMES and NUMBERS of the molecules to describe photosynthesis.

_____ plus _____ plus _____
yields _____ plus _____.

3. What type of energy is used in photosynthesis? _____
4. Photosynthesis typically occurs in what type of organism? _____
5. Where are CO₂ and O₂ found in our environment? _____
6. Given what you know about plants and photosynthesis, why does the position for CO₂ and O₂ in the equation make sense?
7. What is the overall purpose of photosynthesis?

Rearrange Your Pieces AGAIN for CELLULAR RESPIRATION

1. Write this equation below:

_____ + _____ → _____ + _____ + _____

2. Use the NAMES and NUMBERS of the molecules to describe cellular respiration

_____ plus _____ yields
_____ plus _____ plus
_____.

3. In cellular respiration, chemical energy is released from the bonds of _____ and transferred to the bonds of _____, which cells use to provide energy for cellular processes.
4. Was it difficult to rearrange the pieces to produce the equation for cellular respiration? **Why or why not?**
5. Cellular respiration occurs in both plants and animals. Given what you know about animals, why does your position for CO₂ and O₂ in the equation make sense?
6. What is the overall purpose of cellular respiration?
7. What are the two main differences between the chemical reactions for photosynthesis and cellular respiration?