

Core knowledge

No.	Question	Answer	
1.	What is a cell?	The smallest structural unit of living things.	
2.	Draw and label a typical plant cell.	ANIMAL CELL Cell membrane Ribosomes Nucleus Cytoplasm Mitochondria	
3.	Draw and label a typical animal cell.	PLANT CELL	
		Cell wall Cell membrane Ribosomes Nucleus Vacuole Cytoplasm Mitochondria Chloroplast	
4.	What is the function of the nucleus?	Contains the genetic material, the 'instructions' for the cell.	
5.	What is the function of the cytoplasm?	Where the cell's chemical reactions happen.	
6.	What is the function of the cell membrane?	To control what goes in and out of the cell.	
7.	What is the function of the cell wall in plants?	To protect the cell and give it shape and rigidity.	
8.	What is the function of the vacuole in plants?	It contains sugar for the cell and gives the cell shape and rigidity	
9.	What is the function of the chloroplasts in plants?		
10		A specialised cell	
11		Animal cells: Egg, sperm, red blood cell, white blood cell, neuron Plant cells: palisade cell, guard cell, root hair cell	
12	What is a unicellular organism?	An organism that is made of one single cell	
	What is a metric prefix?	a <u>unit prefix</u> that goes before a basic unit of measurement to show a <u>multiple</u> or <u>fraction</u> of the basic unit	
14	What is a microscope?	Instrument for viewing very small objects that cannot be seen with the naked eye e.g. cells	
15	What is magnification?	How much bigger something appears compared with its actual size	
16	How do you calculate the magnification of a microscope?	Total Magnification = magnification of OBJECTIVE lens x magnification of EYEPIECE lens	
17	specimen under the microscope?	magnification = measured size / actual size.	
18	What do we call a group of cells of the same type working together?	Tissue	
19	What do we call a structure made up of a group of tissues, working together to perform specific functions?	An organ	
20	What is an enzyme?	A protein made in cells to help a chemical reaction to happen.	

7B1.1 What are cells?

Keywords	Definition
Cell	The smallest component of living things
Organelle	Literally: 'tiny organ'. Any structure found inside a cell that does a particular job.
Microscopic	Too small to be seen with the naked eye.

What are the characteristics of living things?

	Life Process
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Imagine that an alien spaceship is firing its death rays at Earth!

- The death rays will destroy everything that is made of cells.
- Things that are not made of cells will not be affected.



Alien invasion!

Look at the statements in the table. Some are right and some are wrong.

Tick one box for each statement.			I think this is right	I think this is wrong	I am sure this is wrong
1	People will be destroyed.				
2	Brick walls will be destroyed.				
3	Plants will be destroyed.				
4	Very small organisms will not be destroyed.				
5	Dead bodies will be destroyed.				
6	Bacteria will be destroyed.				

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All truly living things are made of cells

- What is a cell? What does it look like?
- Let's look at some examples





The unit of life

1 What is the **smallest** structure that can be alive?

А	An atom
В	Many atoms arranged to make a biological molecule
С	Many biological molecules arranged to make a single cell
D	Many cells arranged to make an organism

2 How would you explain your answer to question 1?

A single cell can...

The drawing shows a single cell.

Parts of the cell have been cut away so that you can see inside the cell and its structures.



A single cell can...

Look at the statements in the table.

How confident are you that each statement is right or wrong?	I am sure this is right	I think this is right	I think this is wrong	I am sure this is wrong
A single cell can take in food and other nutrients.				
2 A single cell can get energy from food.				
3 A single cell can get rid of waste.				
4 A single cell can make new cells.				
5 A single cell can respond to its surroundings.				
6 A single cell is a living thing.				

Too small to see?

The picture shows cells from the root of an onion plant.

Which statement about cells is true?



- A All cells are too small to be seen without a microscope.
- **B** Most cells are too small to be seen without a microscope.
- **c** All cells can be seen with the naked eye.
- **D** Most cells can be seen with the naked eye.

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Organelle	Description/function
	The watery jelly inside a cell where the cell's activities take place.
	The membrane that controls what goes into and out of a cell.
	The 'control centre' of a cell. It contains the genes that are the instructions for the cell.
	Tiny structures in a cell that make proteins.
	An organelle in the cytoplasm of cells, where aerobic respiration occurs. Plural is mitochondria.
	A green disc containing chlorophyll, found in plant cells. Where the plant makes glucose, using photosynthesis.
	A tough layer of material around some cells, which is used for protection and support. It is stiff and made of cellulose in plant cells.
	A storage space in cells. Plant cells have a large, permanent vacuole that helps to keep them rigid.
	Liquid found in the vacuole in a plant cell.

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Let's try an exam question
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The diagram below shows a plant cell.



'Function of' means 'what is the use of?' or 'what does it do?'

- (a) (i) Give the function of the nucleus.
- (ii) Give the function of the chloroplasts.
- (iii) Give the function of the cell wall.

(b) Give the names of **two** labelled parts that are **not** present in animal cells.



What do living cells need?

- Think back to MRS GREN and the characteristics of living things.
- What things do cells need?

Animal Cells	Plant Cells

Word list (you can use words more than once):

Air

Water

Food

Light

Nutrients from soil

Copy the statements into your grid in the correct box:

As a source of oxygen.

For nutrition and respiration.

Animal cells use it to get energy, and to make new cells and materials.

What animals need Why animals need it What animal cells do with it Air Animal cells use oxygen for respiration to provide energy for life processes. Water To store and transport dissolved substances. Food Food

Animal cells are filled up with it.

Copy the statements into your grid in the correct box:

- Plant cells use nutrients to make new cells and materials for growth.
- As a source of oxygen.
- To store and transport dissolved substances.
- Plant cells use it in a chemical reaction to make food.
- Plants need to absorb energy.
- Plant cells use it in a chemical reaction to make food.

What plants need	Why plants need it	What plant cells do with it
Air	As a source of carbon dioxide.	
		Plant cells use it for respiration to provide energy for life processes.
Water		Plant cells are filled up with it.
	For nutrition.	
Light		The energy is used for a chemical reaction in cells that makes food.
Nutrients from soil	For nutrition and growth.	

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7B1.2 In and Out of Cells

STARTER

Think back to Mrs Gren and the characteristics of living things.

What do living cells need? Think back to what we learned in the first concept and complete the tables below WITHOUT LOOKING AT YOUR NOTES FROM LAST TIME!

Animal Cells	Plant Cells

New Information

To stay alive, cells need a constant supply of **energy** and **molecules** for chemical reactions, and they need to get rid of waste.

Animal cells need oxygen and food for respiration, and water as a medium in which chemical reactions happen.

Large food molecules can't fit through the membrane and have to be broken into smaller ones.

Plant cells also need oxygen and food for respiration, and water as a medium in which chemical reactions happen.

Oxygen and glucose for respiration enter cells via diffusion through the membrane. They are made of small particles that can fit.

Plant cells need carbon dioxide and water for photosynthesis.

Carbon dioxide and water enter plant cells via diffusion through the membrane. They are made of small particles that can fit.

Cells also need to get rid of waste substances. These diffuse out through the cell membrane.

Animal cells produce carbon dioxide as waste from respiration.

Plant cells produce oxygen as waste from photosynthesis.

The right structure for the job

Which drawing shows the structure that...

- 1 ...controls what can enter and leave the cell?
- 2 ...lets the cell take in oxygen for respiration?
- **3** ...lets the cell take in substances from food for respiration?
- 4 ...lets the cell take in water?
- 5 ...lets the cell get rid of waste carbon dioxide?

Summary diagram

- The cell membrane allows small molecules that the cell needs to pass through it into the cell.
- The cell membrane also allows small waste molecules to pass through it out of the cell.
- The movement of molecules from where there are many to where there are fewer is called DIFFUSION.

Selectively permeable membrane

- A selectively permeable membrane let some substances pass through them, but not others.
- Small substances move through the membrane in both directions

The next set of slides will help you understand this



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7B1.3 Specialised Cells and Unicellular Organisms

Can you recognise the organelles in these cells of different shapes? Label the nucleus, cytoplasm, cell membrane and mitochondrion for each cell Label the cells animal or plant cells













Specialised cells are cells that do specific jobs. They have special features **(adaptations)** that make them good at their jobs. Cells in your brain do different jobs from the cells in your liver, so they have different features, or **adaptations**; each cell type is **adapted** to perform a particular job.



Use the diagrams to match each cell job applicant with the job description that would suit it best.

- 1. This job requires a plant cell. The right cell for the job will have lots of chloroplasts (small round-ish structures) to absorb sunlight.
- 2. The right cell for this role must be able to swim fast and far to locate an egg cell.
- 3. Applicants for this job must be able to reach over a long distance, and connect with other cells.
- 4. The job requires a cell that can be flexible, with a large surface area to absorb oxygen. A lack of a nucleus would be a distinct advantage, as this would allow more space to carry oxygen.
- 5. The successful applicant will be a plant cell with a large surface area to absorb water and minerals from the soil. Chloroplasts are not necessary as the work will be underground.
- 6. Cells considering applying for this job must be flexible and able to change shape so that they can engulf bacteria and viruses. They may have a multi-lobed nucleus.



How many cells?

- 1. What is the **smallest** number of cells that a living organism can be made up of?
- 2. What is the largest number of cells that a living organism can be made up of?

An organism that is made	e up of m	any cells is	said to be	multicellular		
Unicellular organism or Write down what unicell		ns (hint loo	k at your k	ey words table)	
New information: 7B1.3	powerpo	int				
What are the three types	s of unice	llular orgar	nism?			
1.						
2.						
3.						
Give an example of each						
1.						
2.						
3.						
		-	Гhe hungr	v alien		
 I~	and the					_
		re's an alien very hungry.				
Th		n only eat or	ganisms ma	de from		
1	Which of	these organ	isms can th	e alien eat?		
		humans	cows	sheep	trees	
	ants	head lice	e slug	gs grass	mushrooms	
	ta	dpoles	moss	bacteria	amoeba	
2		think of one inot eat?	word to des	scribe all of the o	organisms the	

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Paramecium



The	diagram below shows an organism called Euglena. It is made of only one cell. It lives in ponds and streams. Euglena have features of both plants and animals.	
	membrane	
	reservoir for taking in small particles of food cytoplasm chloroplast	
	nucleus	
	whip-like flagellum for movement	
(a)	Look at the diagram of Euglena.	
	Give two pieces of evidence which suggest it is an animal cell and not a plant cell.	
1		1 mark
2		1 mark
(b) How	Plant cells can carry out photosynthesis. a can you tell from the diagram that Euglena can carry out photosynthesis?	
		1 mark
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7B1.4 Using Metric prefixes

Starter Metric units of measurement

- 1. Write down which <u>metric</u> unit of length you would use to measure each of these items:
- a) Length of a bedroom
- b) Length of a river
- c) Length of a needle
- d) Width pen nib
- e) Height of a mountain
- f) Distance from Leeds to York
- 2. Which metric unit would you use to weigh each item listed below?
- a) Man
- b) Letter
- c) Delivery van
- d) Tin of tuna
- 3. Which metric unit would you use to measure the capacity of each container listed below?
- a) Large bottle of pop
- b) Carton of cream
- c) Bottle of shampoo
- d) Paddling pool

Can you think of any other metric units of measurement that you haven't mentioned already?

Why don't we use imperial (old fashioned) units in science (e.g. inches, feet, pounds, stones and miles)?



In these examples you have used different **prefixes** (words added in front of the unit) e.g.

km kilo in front of the word metre kilometre

ml milli in the front of the word litre millilitre



 μ is a Greek letter 'mu'. We use it to **abbreviate 'micro'**, because 'm' is used for milli and 'M' is used for 'mega'. Practise writing the Greek letter μ

Which of the following means 'metre'?

- a) M
- b) m
- c) μ

Which of the following means 'mega'?

- a) M
- b) m
- c) μ

Which of the following means 'milli'?

- a) M
- b) m
- c) μ

Which of the following means 'micro'?

- a) M
- b) m
- c) μ

Which of the following is the correct abbreviation for millimetre?

- a) Mm
- b) mm
- c) μm

Which of the following is the correct abbreviation for microlitre?

- a) Ml
- b) ml
- c) μl

Which of the following is the correct abbreviation for megahertz?

- a) MHz
- b) mHz
- c) μHz

Use the table to help you work out the answers to these questions

What is a better way of saying 5 millionths of a metre?

How many mm in 1m?

How many micrometres in 1m?

7B1.5 Using the Microscope

Task: draw and label a plant cell and an animal cell

New information

Total magnification = magnification of eyepiece lens x magnification of objective lens

What's the magnification?

A student uses the microscope to look at cells on a slide.

- The eyepiece lens has a magnification of 10x
- The objective lens has a magnification of 4x

eyepiece lens objective lens

(2)

What is the magnification of the cells seen using the microscope?

А	4x
В	10x
С	14x
D	40x

Figure 12 shows a root tip under the microscope. We can see the cells of the root tip.

The image was magnified 400 x.



Figure 12

Explain how a magnification of 400 × can be obtained using the lenses on a light microscope.

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Using a microscope

- 1. Turn the turret until the lowest power objective lens clicks into position.
- 2. Place the slide on the stage and fasten it with the stage clips.
- 3. Look from the side and turn the focus knob to move the objective lens closer to the stage. Stop before the objective lens touches the slide.
- 4. Look through the eyepiece.
- 5. Turn the focus knob until the image is sharp and clear.
- 6. Move the mirror to reflect more light through the sample, if needed.
- 7. Turn the turret until the medium power objective lens clicks into position, then re-focus the image.
- 8. When finished, use the focus knob to move the objective lens away from the stage, and then remove the slide from the stage.

7B1.5a Looking at pond water through microscope

Pond water slide preparation

- 1. Put a drop of pond water onto your slide with a pipette.
- 2. Carefully place a cover slip on top. Try not to trap any bubbles.
- 3. Put your slide under your microscope and focus it on the lowest magnification.
- 4. Try looking at your specimen under a higher magnification
 - Draw and label what you can see using a sharp pencil.
 - Draw clear, simple, two-dimensional line diagrams without shading.
 - Label any coloured areas with the name of the colour. Do not colour in.

7B1.5b Looking at cheek cells

Cheek cell slide preparation

- 1. Gently scrape the inside of your cheek with a sterile cotton bud.
- 2. Now smear the scrapings onto the middle of a clean microscope slide.
- 3. Place your used cotton bud in a beaker of disinfectant.
- 4. Place a drop of dilute methylene blue on top to stain the cells.
- 5. Place a coverslip over the cells, lowering it carefully to avoid air bubbles.
 - Draw and label what you can see using a sharp pencil.
 - Draw clear, simple, two-dimensional line diagrams without shading.
 - Label any coloured areas with the name of the colour. Do not colour in.

7B1.5c Looking at onion cells

Onion cell slide preparation

- 1. Take a piece of onion and gently peel off a single layer (very thin).
- 2. Lie the onion onto a clean slide.
- 3. Cover the onion with lodine to dye it.
- 4. Gently place a cover slip over the onion and iodine being very careful not to get any air bubbles in.
- 5. View your slide under the microscope.
 - Draw and label what you can see using a sharp pencil.
 - Draw clear, simple, two-dimensional line diagrams without shading.
 - Label any coloured areas with the name of the colour. Do not colour in.

Calculating actual size



 $actual\ size = \frac{measured\ size}{magnification}$

The measured size is 70mm.

The magnification of the picture is x500

Actual size = 70/500 = 0.14mm = 140μm

If your sample measured 45mm and the magnification was x100 what is the actual size in mm and μ m (show your workings)?

If your sample measured 40mm and the magnification was x400 what is the actual size in mm and μ m (show your workings)?

7B1.6 How living things are organised

- 1. What is a cell?
- 2. Draw and label a typical plant cell

3. Draw and label a typical animal cell

Body Cells

After class discussions write down the correct statement about the human body

Cell needs

The cells of humans and other animals need particular things to stay alive.

How would you joins the boxes to explain what animal cells need and what they do with it?



V	What is your decision for each statement?			I think this is wrong	I am sure this is wrong
1	Cells contain organs that carry out life processes.				
2	Cells, tissues and organs are roughly the same size.				
3	Tissues are made up of cells.				
4	Organs are made up of tissues.				
5	Plants are also made up of tissues.				
6	Plants do not have organs.				

Smallest to largest

1			
2			
3			
4			
5			

Cells are the basic building blocks of all living things. They are microscopic.

getting bigger

Cells can form tissues. Tissues are groups of cells working together to do a job.

getting bigger

Organs are made from one or more types of tissues grouped together. E.g brain, liver, heart

getting bigger

Organ systems are made from groups of organs working together. E.g. nervous system, digestive system

Talking about cells, tissues and organs

To talk about in your group:

- 1 Who do you agree with?
- 2 Who do you disagree with, and why?
- 3 How would you explain the right ideas to these children?

Answer these questions after we have had a look at the human torso

- 1 When we look at a multicellular organism, can we see their cells?
- 2 What do we call cells of the same type working together?
- 3 What do we call tissues working together?
- 4 Can you give some examples of organs in humans?
- 5 What about plant organs?
- 6 What is a group of organs working together to do a particular job?



Useful information

Name of organ Fu	unction of organ system	Examples of organs, structures and
system		tissues in this system
Nervous system To	o regulate (control) the functions of	Brain, spinal cord (these make up the
_	he body using fast electrical signals	central nervous system), peripheral
		nervous system
Respiratory To	o inflate the lungs so that oxygen can	Lungs, rib cage and intercostal
(breathing) be	e absorbed into the blood via	muscles, diaphragm
system di	liffusion	
Cardiovascular To	o transport oxygen and food to every	Heart, veins, arteries, capillaries,
system ce	ell and remove waste substances.	blood
	o support the body, protect organs	Bones, muscles, tendons, ligaments
system ai	nd allow movement	
Hormonal (or To	o regulate (control) the functions of	Endocrine glands (e.g. pituitary,
endocrine) th	he body using hormones (chemical	adrenal, thyroid), pancreas, testes,
system m	nessengers)	ovaries. Organs that the hormones
		control are called 'target organs'.
Digestive Te	o break down food into smaller	Mouth, stomach, intestines, liver
system m	nolecules so that it can be absorbed	
in	nto the blood	
Reproductive To	o produce gametes (sex cells) and	Ovaries, testes, uterus, cervix, sperm
· ·	llow reproduction (to make babies)	duct, vagina, penis
System a	now reproduction (to make bables)	
Excretory To	o remove toxic waste products from	Kidneys, bladder
system th	he blood	
Skin Te	o maintain constant internal	Skin
co	onditions	
	a doctroy pathogons (bad	Rono marrow blood chin humah
	o destroy pathogens (bad	Bone marrow, blood, skin, lymph
(lymphatic) m	nicroorganisms) and prevent future	nodes, spleen
system in	nfection	

Body Parts

The diagram shows some organs in the human body.





- 1. Which part pumps blood around the body?
- 2. What is the name of the part you chose in question 1?
- 3. Which part absorbs oxygen from air?
- 4. What is the name of the part you chose in question 3?
- 5. In which part does most of the digestion of food take place?
- 6. What is the name of the part you chose in question 5?

Imagine that you are one of the organs that we have looked at today. You must apply for a job in the relevant organ system.

Write to the brain describing the qualities that you have that make you the best organ to work as part of that organ system.

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7B1 Cells and Body Systems Key word

Keywords	Pronunciation	Definition
Cell	Sell	The smallest component of living things
Organelle	Or-gan-el	Lit: 'tiny organ'. Any structure found inside a cell that does a particular job
Microscopic	My-kroh-sko-pick	Too small to be seen with the naked eye.
Particle	Part-i-kal	A tiny piece of matter that everything is made out of.
Molecule	Moll-i-kule	
Diffusion	Diff-you-shun	A particle of a particular substance e.g. oxygen or water.
Cell membrane	Sell mem-brayn	The random movement and spreading of particles. The overall movement of particles is from where there are many to where there are fewer.
		A semi-permeable 'bag' that holds the cell contents and controls what goes in and out of the cell.
Unicellular organism	You – nee – sell – you – lar or – gan – iz – um	A microscopic living thing that has only one cell (uni means one). Sometimes also called single celled organisms
Bacterium	bak – tier – ee – um	A unicellular organism that is much smaller that plant and animal cells. (PI. bacteria)
Protist		······
	Proh – tist	A unicellular organism with a nucleus
Flagellum (pl. flagella)	Fla – jell - um	A tail-like appendage that some unicellular organisms use to swim
Metric prefix	Met – rick pree-fix	a <u>unit prefix</u> that goes before a basic unit of measurement to show a <u>multiple</u> or <u>fraction</u> of the basic unit
Microscope	My-kroh-skope	Instrument for viewing very small objects that cannot be seen with the naked eye e.g. cells
Field of view	Feeld ov vue	Circular area you see when you look down a microscope
Specimen	Spess-i-min	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

Eyepiece lens	I-piece lenz	The thing you are looking at with the microscope
Objective lens	Ob-jekt-iv lenz	The part of the microscope you look down.
Magnification	Mag-nif-ik-ay-shun	The part of the microscope that is closest to the specimen
		How much bigger something appears compare with its actual size
multicellular	Mull - tee – sell – you –	A living thing that is made of many cells
organism	lar	
	or – gan – iz – um	
Tissue	Ti-shoo	A group of cells of the same type working together
		Structure made up of a group of tissues,
organ	Or-gan	working together to perform specific functions
organ system	Or-gan siss-tem	A group of different organs, which all work together to do a particular job
Digestive system	Die-jess-tiv siss-tem	A body organ system that breaks large food
- 8		particles into smaller food particles and absorb them into the blood
Nutrients	New-tree-ents	
		Very small particles that our cells need for energy, growth and repair
Digestion	Die-jess-chun	
		A process that breaks food into smaller and
		smaller particles (nutrients) so that it can be
Absorption	Abs-orp-shun	absorbed by the body
		The process by which nutrients move from the
		intestines into the blood
Protein	Proh-teen	A large molecule in cells that does an importan
		job to help the cell function or stay alive.
		A protein produced by living cells to make
Enzyme	Enz-eye-mm	chemical reactions happen faster
		When atoms are rearranged to make new
Chemical reaction	Kem-i-kal ree-ack-shun	substances different from the original ones.

Practise exam questions



(i)

Look at the diagrams above.

Q2. The diagram below shows six cells. в A D E Give the letters of the two plant cells in the diagrams. (i) (a) and 1 mark (ii) Which one of these plant cells contains chloroplasts? Give the letter. 1 mark Give the function of chloroplasts. (iii)

(b)	(i)	Give the letter of the ciliated cell.	
			1 mark
	(ii)	In which part of the body are ciliated cells found?	
			1 mark
	(iii)	What is the function of ciliated cells in this part of the body?	
			-
			1 mark
(c)		the letter of the cell which transfers genetic mation from father to offspring.	
			1 mark
		awings show some plant and animal cells. Each cell rent function.	
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C		D E	

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Q3.

		(a) Give the name of cell C.		(i)	of the parts t	m the boxes show th hat are present in bo , write the names of	oth cells. these two parts.	
			1 mark				2 marks	
(b) Th	The main functions of two of the cells are listed below.		(ii)	 Give the names of two parts which are present in plant cells but not in animal cells. 			
(c	Write the letter of the correct cell next to each function.				1			
	(i)	photosynthesis			2			
	(ii)	improvement of mucus	2 marks (b)			2 marks		
) (i)	Give the name of the organ where cell E is produced.			ans can carry out their functions because of the cial cells they have.			
·				Draw a straight line from the name of each type of cell to the function of the cell and then to the process it carries				
			1 mark	out. One	out. One has been done for you.			
	(ii)	Give the name of the part of a plant where cell B found.	is	cell		function	process	
			1 mark	white bloc	od cell	absorbs light	to prevent disease	
Q4.	(a)	The diagrams below show an animal cell and a pla	nt					
~	Ce			leaf c	ell	transports oxygen	to digest food	
				cell in intesti		for respiration		
		animal cell plant cell		red blood	d cell	produces enzymes	for photosynthesis	
			41					