

# Photosynthesis Part 2 Notes

## Light-Dependent Reactions and the Calvin Cycle

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### Inside the Chloroplast

1. In plants and other photosynthetic eukaryotes, **photosynthesis** takes place where? \_\_\_\_\_

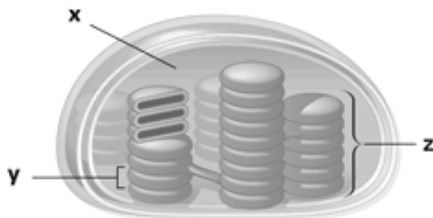
2. Chloroplast contain **saclike photosynthetic membranes** called? \_\_\_\_\_

➤ **Thylakoids** are arranged in **stacks** known as? \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Proteins in the thylakoid membrane** organize chlorophyll and other pigments into **clusters** known as what?

➤ These **Photostems**, are light-collecting units of chloroplast.

- **Photostem I:** are **chlorophyll clusters** and **pigments** that use energy from light to reenergize the electrons.
- **Photostem II:** the energy from the light is absorbed by chlorophyll and transferred to electrons, and then these high-energy electrons are passed on to the electron transport chain.

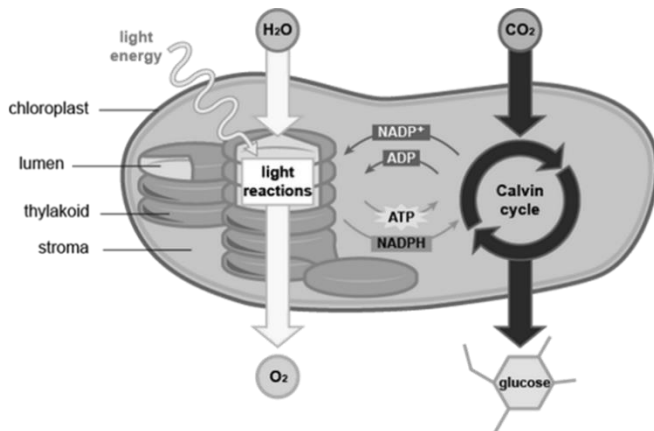


4. What do the letters in the **CHLOROPLAST** below identify?

**X** is the: \_\_\_\_\_

**Y** is the: \_\_\_\_\_

**Z** is the: \_\_\_\_\_



5. Scientist describe the reactions of the **Photostem** in two parts:

➤ \_\_\_\_\_

➤ \_\_\_\_\_

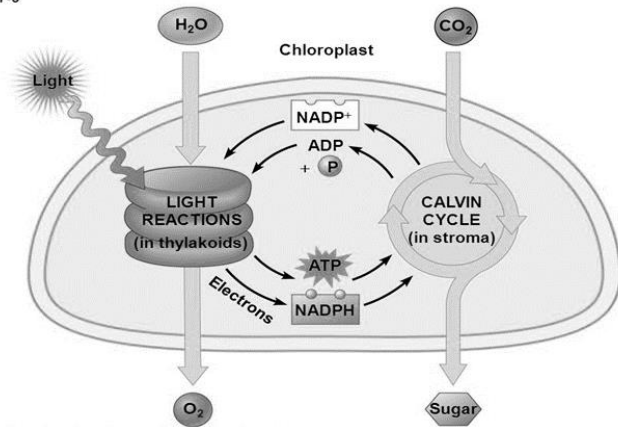
- The \_\_\_\_\_ takes place in the

region outside of the **thylakoid membrane**. (What letter X is in the Chloroplast diagrams!)

# Electron Carriers

6. When sunlight excites \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, the electrons gain a **great deal of energy!**
  - These excited, high-energy electrons require a **special carrier**.
    - Think of it as talking something hot out of the oven, would you want to use an oven mitt or do it with your bare hands? **HOT HOT HOT!**
  - Cells do the same thing, they use **electron carriers** to **transport high-energy electrons from chlorophyll molecules**.
7. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a compound that can **accept** a pair of **high-energy electrons** and **transfer** them along with most of their energy to another molecule.
8. What are the electron carriers themselves known as in the process of **electron transport**?  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. One of these carrier molecules is a compound known as \_\_\_\_\_ + (**nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide phosphate**).

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- **NADP<sup>+</sup>** **accepts** and **holds** \_\_\_\_\_ **high-energy electrons** along with a \_\_\_\_\_ ion.
- This converts the **NADP<sup>+</sup>** to \_\_\_\_\_, this is one way the **energy of sunlight can be trapped in chemical forms**.
- **NADPH** can then carry high-energy electrons produced by light absorption in chlorophyll to chemical reactions elsewhere in the cell.

- These high-energy electrons are used to help build molecules such as **carbohydrates** like \_\_\_\_\_ for the cell.

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## Light-Dependent Reactions

10. \_\_\_\_\_ **require light**. That is why plants need light to grow. The light-dependent reactions use energy from light to produce \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
  - The **light-dependent reactions** produce **oxygen gas** and convert \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ into the energy carriers **ATP** and **NADPH**.

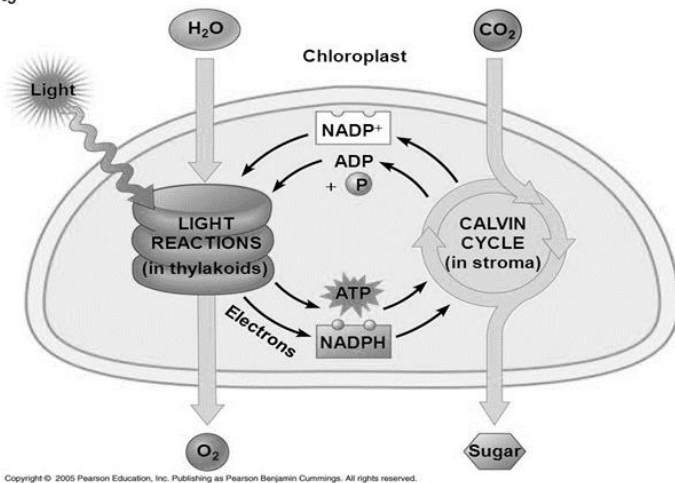
# The Calvin Cycle

- The **ATP** and **NADPH** formed by the **light-dependent reactions (LDR)** contain an abundance of chemical energy, **but are not stable enough to store that energy for more than a few minutes.**

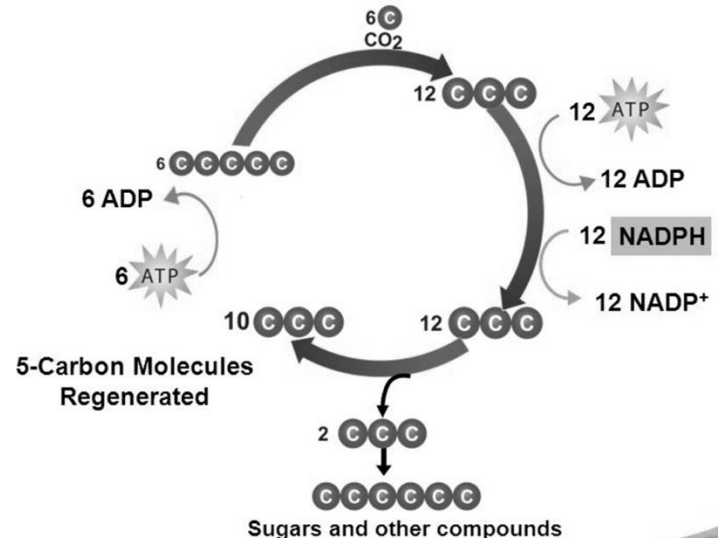
11. During the \_\_\_\_\_ plants use energy that **ATP** and **NADPH** contain to build **high-energy compounds** that can be stored for a long time.

- The Calvin Cycle uses \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ from the LDR to produce \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Calvin Cycle **does not require light**. [*Remember: this happens in the stroma of the chloroplast*]

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## Factors Affecting Photosynthesis

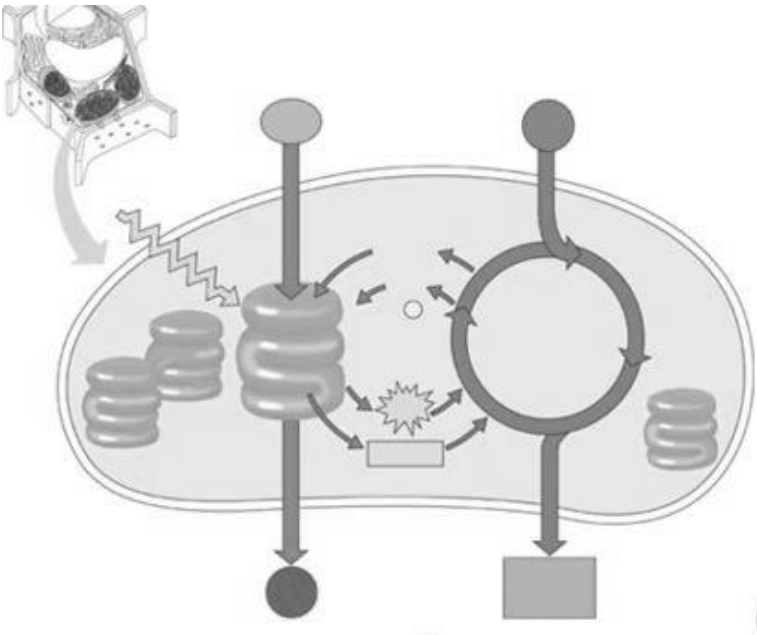
12. How does **water** and **Carbon Dioxide** affect photosynthesis? \_\_\_\_\_

13. **Temperature** is another factor that affects photosynthesis. The enzymes of photosynthesis function best between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. Which is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ F

- Temperature **above or below** that range may damage the \_\_\_\_\_, slowing down the rate of photosynthesis.

14. \_\_\_\_\_: also affects photosynthesis as it can increase the rate of photosynthesis. At some point many plants have a \_\_\_\_\_ in which they photosynthesize regardless of the level of light intensity.

# Take a moment and Label the photosynthetic process (in order) from 1-9 below!



Low energy electrons are returned to the thylakoid to start all over again

The first stage the light dependent reaction occurs in the thylakoids

\_\_\_\_\_

The high energy electrons and H<sup>+</sup> are combined with CO<sub>2</sub> (carbon dioxide) in 6 rotations to make C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub> (glucose)

\_\_\_\_\_

High energy electrons and the H<sup>+</sup> (hydrogen) from water are carried to the stroma to be used for the light-independent reaction (Calvin Cycle)

\_\_\_\_\_

Chlorophyll inside of the chloroplast captures the light energy.

\_\_\_\_\_

Sunlight hits the leaf

\_\_\_\_\_

Water is split, giving off O<sub>2</sub> (oxygen)

\_\_\_\_\_

Glucose is the high energy carbohydrate produced at the end of photosynthesis

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The second stage the light independent reaction or Calvin Cycle occurs in the stroma