

Variegated leaf

Investigating whether chlorophyll is necessary for photosynthesis
blue solution → green part
brown → non-green part

leaf with aluminium foil

Investigating whether light is necessary for photosynthesis
iodine solution

brown → aluminium foil

blue block

Destarching, put the plant in the dark for at least 24 hours.

(To ensure the starch detected is produced during the experiment)

sodium hydrogencarbonate + water = sodium hydrogen carbonate solution (contain more carbon dioxide than water)

Extension

food chain (\rightarrow means eaten by)

significance of

photosynthesis to

other living things

• Providing a

source of

energy

• supplying oxygen

grass \rightarrow rabbit \rightarrow fox \rightarrow tiger

producers

produce energy

obtain energy from other living things

7.3 respiration

Burning food

chemical energy \rightarrow thermal energy

Word equation and chemical equation of respiration



process

Extension

Photosynthesis

Substances used

Carbon dioxide and water

Oxygen

Respiration

Food (glucose) and Oxygen

Carbon dioxide and water

Chemical energy stored in food to other useful forms.

Substances produced

Food and Oxygen

Light energy to

Chemical energy stored in food

• Released slowly

• series of chemical reactions

• providing a

source of

energy

• supplying oxygen

Example

Experimental set-up

carbon dioxide ✓
water ✓
light ✓
Chlorophyll ✓



Control set-up

carbon dioxide ✓
water ✓
light X
Chlorophyll ✓



Independent : presence of light

variable

dependent : presence of starch

variable

Controlled: Presence of carbon dioxide / Presence of water
Variable Presence of chlorophyll

7.4 Gas exchange in plants

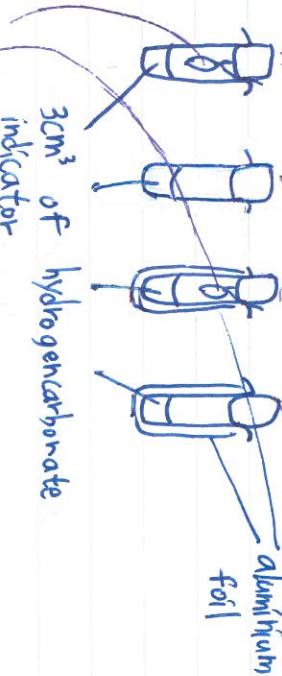
hydrogen carbonate indicator

Normal level (~0.04%) Red

Higher than normal level (>0.04%) yellow

Lower than normal level (<0.04%) purple

aluminium foil



Tubes B and D are control set-ups. They make sure the results in tubes A and C are caused by the presence of the green leaf.

Tube

At the beginning

After one hour

	colour of hydrogen carbonate indicator
A	Red
B	Red
C	Red
D	Red

purple

Red

Yellow

Red

(氣孔)

(stomata)

(look like pore)

(Plants - Gas exchange through stomata)

Extension

light condition

photosynthesis ✓
respiration ✓

dark condition

photosynthesis X
respiration

plants stops carrying out photosynthesis (only respiration)

The rate of photosynthesis in plants is higher than the rate of respiration

net uptake - carbon dioxide

net release - oxygen

net uptake - oxygen
net release - carbon dioxide

7.5 Gas exchange in animals

Inhaled air (the air we breathe in)
exhaled air (the air we breathe out)

green leaves tied with cotton thread

	inhaled air	exhaled air
Oxygen	21%	>
Carbon dioxide	0.04%	<
water vapour	variable	{
Temperature		Saturated (飽和)
Noble gases	0.9%	
Other gases	variable	
	0.9%	
	variable	

increase (+增加)

	inhaled air	exhaled air
nostrils	21%	16%
bronchioles	0.04%	4%
In humans, gas exchange takes place at the air sacs		

sacs

Path of air flow when we breathe in:
 nostrils → nasal cavity → trachea → bronchi →
 bronchioles → air sac
 In humans, gas exchange takes place at the air sacs



blood from other parts of the body

Cigarette smoke contains over 7000 chemicals

Smoking reduces the efficiency of gas exchange

Tar — reduces the surface area for gas exchange

Carbon monoxide — reduces the oxygen-carrying ability of blood.

Other chemicals — They cause some of the walls of the air sacs to break down. This reduces the surface area for gas exchange

smoking is harmful to health. It causes many diseases such as stroke, lung cancer and heart diseases. So do not smoke!

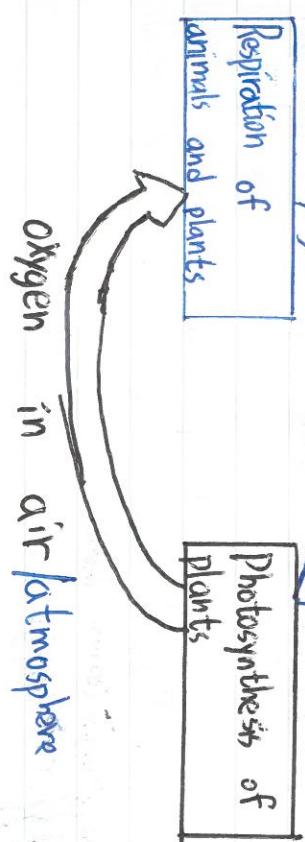
Human breathing system

nasal cavity	(鼻腔)
nostril	(鼻孔)
trachea	(氣管)
bronchus	(支氣管)
bronchiole	(小氣管)
air sac	(氣囊)
intercostal muscle	(肋間肌)
rib	(肋骨)
lung	(肺)
diaphragm	(橫膈膜)
capillary	(微血管)

7.6

Balance of oxygen and carbon dioxide in Nature

carbon dioxide in air/atmosphere



Oxygen in air/atmosphere

Living things carry out respiration. Plants carry out photosynthesis. These two processes keep a balance of oxygen and carbon dioxide in Nature.

Some human activities (e.g. burning fossil fuels, and clearing forests) are disrupting the balance of carbon dioxide in Nature.

The increasing amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere enhances the green house effect. This causes the average temperatures of the Earth to increase. This is known as

global warming.

Some possible effects of global warming:

- Living things in Polar regions lose their habitats and die
- Flooding of low-lying areas
- Unusual weather patterns, e.g. typhoons - droughts

7.7 Air quality

air pollutants

sulphur dioxide

nitrogen oxides

carbon monoxide

ozone

suspended particulates

Breathing them in may cause various health problems

AQHI (Air Quality Health Index)

Low - 1, 2, 3

Moderate - 4, 5, 6

High - 7

Very High - 8, 9, 10

Serious - 10+

The AQHI tell the public the possible health risks caused by air pollutants and help them take precautionary measures

8.6 Household electricity

all electrical appliances are energy converters.

The motor work using the magnetic effect of current

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Coils

Mains voltage

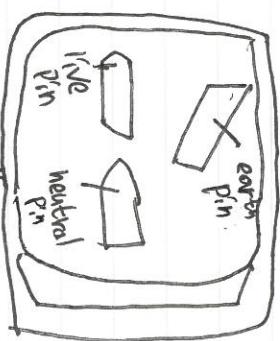
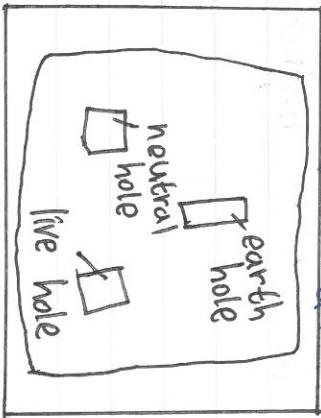
Hong Kong 220V

household electricity = mains electricity

Domestic circuitry

All the sockets in home are connected in parallel

Three - pin plugs and the colour coding of wires



Colours of the wires

Earth wire : green and yellow

Live wire : brown

Neutral wire : blue

Electricity is supplied to our homes through the live wire and the neutral wire

Potential hazards in using electricity

1. Overloading

When the number of branches increases, the current flowing through the cell increases. Overloading occurs when too many electrical appliances are connected to a mains socket. This is dangerous and should be avoided. Universal adaptor

2. Short Circuits (provide a path with a very low resistance for current to flow) (overheat and damage electrical appliance) dangerous should be avoided
If the current passing through a fuse is larger than the fuse rating, the fuse will blow and cut off the current. This prevents the circuit from overheating. (ampere)