## Chapter Ten: Cellular Respiration Lesson 10.2: The Process of Cellular Respiration

All food burns. Some foods just have too much water while others don't have enough. This means that there is plenty of energy in food!

3 stages of cellular respiration:

- 1. Glycolysis: means "sugar-breaking"
  - a. One molecule of glucose is transformed into two molecules of pyruvic acid
  - b. Anerobic process doesn't use oxygen
  - c. Occurs in the cytoplasm



- e. ATP = Adenosine triphosphate
- f. ADP = Adenosine diphosphate
- g. Process is fast and can produce thousands of ATP in a few milliseconds
- h. 2 ATPs are used to start and 4 ATPs are produced

2. The Krebs Cycle

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- a. Named for Hans Krebs
- b. Pyruvic acid is broken down into carbon dioxide in a series of energy-extracting reactions
- c. Known as the citric acid cycle because citric acid is the first compound formed in this series of reactions
- d. Occurs in the mitochondria.
- e. Matrix: the innermost compartment of the mitochondrion and the site of the Krebs cycle reactions



- g. The carbon dioxide produced diffuses out of the mitochondria, out of the cell, into the bloodstream where it is exhaled.
- h. The ATP molecules made are used immediately to power cellular activities

- 3. Electron transport
  - a. Uses high-energy electrons from glycolysis and the Krebs cycle to synthesize ATP from ADP.
  - b. There is a buildup of H+ ions in the intermembrane space. This buildup flows through ATP synthase which generates ATP from ADP. Water is also produced here.
  - c. In this process, the cell produces a range of ATP from 30-34.



e. Your body is fairly efficient when generating ATP. About 36% of the total energy is used to produce ATP. The remaining percentage is used to heat your body keeping it at a constant temperature.