## Chapter Four: The Cell in Action Section 2: Cell Energy

All cells need energy to live, grow, and reproduce.

- Plant cells get their energy from the sun.
- Animal cells get their energy from food.

**Photosynthesis:** the process by which plants, algae, and some bacteria use energy from the sun and change it into food

**Chlorophyll:** the main pigment used in photosynthesis that gives plants their green color

- It is found in chloroplasts
- $6 \text{ CO}_2 + 6 \text{ H}_2\text{O} + \text{Light Energy} \rightarrow \text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6 + 6\text{O}_2$
- Plants food is  $C_6H_{12}O_6$  (glucose a simple sugar)



Food for Animal Cells

**Cellular Respiration:** the process by which cells use oxygen  $(O_2)$  to produce energy from food

- $C_6H_{12}O_6 + 6O_2 \rightarrow 6CO_2 + 6H_2O + Energy$
- Food is broken down into CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O and energy is released
- Energy released maintains body temperature and some is used to form ATP that supplies energy that fuels cell activities

- For prokaryotic cells...takes place in the cell membrane
- For eukaryotic cells...takes place in mitochondria



Connection between photosynthesis and cellular respiration

- The two processes are opposites of each other.
- Photosynthesis uses CO<sub>2</sub> and releases O<sub>2</sub>
- Cellular respiration uses O<sub>2</sub> to break down glucose and release energy and CO<sub>2</sub>

Fermentation: the breakdown of food without the use of oxygen

- Muscles...produces lactic acid (causes muscle fatigue)
- Yeasts...forms carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) and causes the dough to rise and leave small holes in the bread