UNIT 1 Energy, respiration and photosynthesis

Timing This unit comprises approximately 24% of the learning material in A2 Biology, and about 12% of the learning material in a complete Biology A Level learning programme. Units 2 and 3 are each slightly smaller. Each contains about 22% of the A2 material, 11% of the whole A Level. The Option contributes 32% of the A2 assessment, 16% of the total, and thus should be given approximately 32% of the teaching and learning time – more than any of these A2 core units.

Recommended Prior Knowledge Students should be familiar with the concept of energy transfer, e.g. from light energy to chemical energy. They should have a sound understanding of what a molecule is, and understand chemical formulae and equations. It would be helpful if they understood the concept of oxidation and reduction, at least at a simple level.

Context This Unit considers energy transfers in living organisms. It builds on material covered at AS level, especially Section A, Cell Structure, Section B, Biological Molecules, Section G, Transport and Section H, Gas Exchange.

Outline This unit covers the need for energy in living organisms and the universal occurrence of ATP as energy 'currency'. Glycolysis, the Krebs cycle and the electron transport chain are described. Aerobic and anaerobic respiration, in mammals and in yeast, are dealt with. Students use respirometers to make quantitative studies of respiration. The light-dependent and light-independent stages of photosynthesis are described, and also the ways in which the structures of leaves, palisade cells and chloroplasts adapt them for their functions. There are good opportunities within this Unit for students to develop their skills in data analysis. This Unit provides many opportunities for practical work relating to Assessment Objectives in Group C (Experimental skills and investigations), particularly in using the microscope to make observations and record them as drawings. Try to ensure that each student works alone and under time pressure on some occasions, as this will help to prepare for the practical examination(s).

Reinforcement and formative assessment It is recommended that, towards the end of the time allocated to the unit, time be taken to permit reinforcement of the learning that has occurred. There are many ways in which this might be done, ranging from revision lessons, through overview homework, through research project and into preparation of essays, presentations, posters or other material.

- This topic, with so much attractive visual material, is very well suited to highly visual presentations. Small groups of two or three students should be encouraged to work together for an hour or two of lesson time, plus homework for a week or two. They should prepare a visual presentation of a topic to their peers. This could be in the form of a poster, a video, a PowerPoint presentation, an OHP illustrated talk, a short video clip or whatever seems appropriate. Some students will wish to draw their own diagrams, and others to download them from the net, and others to photocopy them from paper sources all these approaches should be encouraged.
- Formative assessment could take the form of student self-marked minitests, taking just 10 or 15 minutes for students to do and then mark for themselves, perhaps using questions from the Learn CIE Test Centre discussing the correct answers as a whole class.
- At the end of the unit, there should be a much larger formative assessment test, using appropriate past-examination and similar style questions, taking a lesson to do, and a lesson to provide feedback after marking by the teacher.

Sequence of teaching and learning There are two logical teaching / learning sequences for this unit – both of them work well.

- Some teachers will prefer to teach ATP (L(a), (b) and (c) below), and then go on to photosynthesis L(a), (b), (c), (e) and (f) (at the end of the unit) on the basis that it does not make sense to do respiration until students understand how the energy got into biochemicals in the first place, and the importance of input of energy into reduced molecules (that can then be oxidised with release of energy).
- Other teachers prefer to teach it in the order it is presented, on the basis that respiration is more familiar and of more interest to many candidates, and therefore easier to understand first.

• The other decision to make is whether to do the whole unit without interruption (which gets most of the A2 biochemistry done in one go, and allows students to understand one process in the light of the other), or to split the unit in half, and teach another, different unit, between photosynthesis and respiration (which gives students time to internalise the learning of one before they meet the other, which some teachers believe has the effect of reducing confusion between the two).

Please evaluate these various approaches, and choose the sequence of units that seems most appropriate for your students.

	Learning Outcomes	Suggested Teaching Activities	Online Resources	Other resources
L(a)	Outline the need for energy in living	Ask students: what do living organisms use	http://www.elmhurst.edu/~ch	The need for energy to do
	organisms, as illustrated by anabolic	energy for? Build up a list of examples and	m/vchembook/592energy.ht	work in living organisms is
	reactions, active transport, movement	try to classify them into groups. (For	ml contains a straightforward	reviewed on pages 196-7 in
	and the maintenance of body	example, breathing, running and talking	review of the uses of energy	Biology, Jones. Fosbery,
	temperature.	could be classified under 'movement' or	in cells.	Taylor and Gregory.
		'muscle contraction'.)		
			http://au.encarta.msn.com/en	In <i>Biological Science</i> 1,
	Learning Activity		cyclopedia_761569250/Meta	Taylor, Green and Stout,
	Pupils should participate in:		bolism.html Is an Encarta	Chapter 7 begins with a
	whole class discussion / oral question		encyclopaedia article that	review of why organisms
	and answer leading to bullet point list of		includes anabolisms and use	need energy, taken further in
	uses of energy in organisms		and transfer of energy	9.2.2.
				Understanding Biology for Advanced Level, Toole and Toole, begins chapter 13 with an interesting placing of energy in context, likely to appeal to able students.
				Advanced Biology, Jones and Jones, starts chapter 8 and Advanced Biology, Principles and Applications, Clegg and Mackean, starts chapter 15.6 with appropriate material on the need for energy.

	Learning Outcomes	Suggested Teaching Activities	Online Resources	Other resources
L(b)	Describe the structure of ATP as a	Show pupils the structure of an ATP	http://users.rcn.com/jkimball.	The structure of ATP is
and	phosphorylated nucleotide; describe the	molecule; identify the components of the	ma.ultranet/BiologyPages/A/	shown on page 198 in
(c)	universal role of ATP as the energy	molecule and remind students what a	ATP.html good	Biology, Jones. Fosbery,
	currency in all living organisms.	nucleotide is. (This can be related to the	straightforward information	Taylor and Gregory.
		nucleotides that make up RNA and DNA.)	including uses of energy	In Biological Science 1,
	Learning Activity:	Explain that energy is released when a	released by hydrolysis of	Taylor, Green and Stout,
	Pupils should participate in:	phosphate is removed.	ATP.	Chapter 9.2 is about the
	using diagrams and models to	If moved from a freehly killed enimal is	http://www.emc.maricopa.ed	structure of ATP.
	illustrate structure of ATP, release of	If muscle from a freshly-killed animal is available, it can be used to demonstrate	u/faculty/farabee/BIOBK/Bio BookATP.html starts of	Advanced Biology, Jones
	energy when phosphate is removed	the effect of ATP on muscle contraction.		and Jones, starts chapter 8 with information about ATP
	and its origin / recycling from ADP	the effect of ATP of muscle contraction.	simple and goes into far more detail than needed by	and energy release.
	and inorganic phosphate complete an interactive online quiz on		the average candidate, but	Advanced Biology, Principles
	ATP		great for interested students.	and Applications, Clegg and
	AIF		http://www.biologyinmotion.c	Mackean, has appropriate
			om/atp/index.html	and clear information on ATP
			om/atp/maox.ntm	production and use.
			Simple but effective	Understanding Biology for
			animated page.	Advanced Level, Toole and
			http://www.cat.cc.md.us/cour	Toole, has a very clear
			ses/bio141/lecguide/unit4/me	section on production and
			tabolism/energy/atpan.html	use of ATP.
			http://www.cat.cc.md.us/cour	A protocol for demonstrating
			ses/bio141/lecguide/unit4/me	the contraction of muscle
			tabolism/energy/adpan.html	fibres in the presence of ATP
			Animations of formation and	is described in <i>Practical</i>
			hydrolysis of ATP	Advanced Biology, King et al.
			http://www.teachnet.ie/foneill/	
			atp.html	Advanced Biology A2,
				Biozone, page 27 explains
			Nice text and animation –	the role of ATP in cells
			click on the grey bar below	followed by a series of
			the diagram.	questions. Page 29 covers
			http://www.cat.cc.md.us/cour	the role of the mitochondria
			ses/bio141/lecguide/unit4/me	in respiration. Model answers to questions are provided in
			tabolism/energy/atp_quiz.htm	a separate student book and
			An interactive quiz on ATD	on CD.
			An interactive quiz on ATP	on CD.

	Learning Outcomes	Suggested Teaching Activities	Online Resources	Other resources
(e)	Outline glycolysis as phosphorylation of	Ask students; what is respiration? Where	Most web sites give too	Pages 202-3 and 205 in
	glucose and the subsequent splitting of	does it take place? Build up the idea that	much detail of glycolysis,	Biology, Jones. Fosbery,
	hexose phosphate (6C) into two triose	respiration is a series of metabolic	which will confuse many	Taylor and Gregory cover
	phosphate molecules, which are then	reactions that take place in all living cells,	students, so it is important to	glycolysis to a highly
	further oxidised with a small yield of	in which energy contained in molecules	be very selective.	appropriate level of detail.
	ATP and reduced NAD.	such as glucose is used to make ATP		
		molecules.	www.science.smith.edu/depa	In <i>Biological Science</i> 1,
	Learning Activities		rtments/Biology/Bio231/glyco	Taylor, Green and Stout,
	Pupils should participate in:	With the class, gradually build up a flow	lysis.html	Chapter 9.3.4 gives an
	 whole class discussion / verbal 	diagram outlining glycolysis. Emphasise		appropriately detailed
	guestion and answer to establish a	the need for phosphorylation of glucose to	A nice simple animation	account of glycolysis.
	clear understanding of what	make subsequent stages easier; the	showing the main events in	
	respiration is for, and why (by	removal of hydrogen and its acceptance by	glycolysis.	Advanced Biology, Jones
	analogy with electricity generation in	NAD; the production of a small amount of	http://www.jonmaber.demon.	and Jones and
	power stations rather than in each	ATP; and the production of pyruvate.	co.uk/glyintro/	Understanding Biology for
	person's house) aerobic respiration	Students should know that this all takes	This is a simple and easily	Advanced Level, Toole and
	(needing 70 enzymes) is localised	place in the cytoplasm, and happens in	understood document that	Toole, include glycolysis in
	(in mitochondria) generating ATP,	virtually every living cell.	includes some good	detail, which may be of
	from which energy can be released	in the same of the	animations, although they	interest to students with a
	by one ATPase enzyme	Students should understand that, after the	take quite a while to	sound grasp of chemistry.
	 using bullet points and simple flow 	hexose is split into two identical triose	download over a dial up	grade of chemically.
	diagrams to describe glycolysis (do	molecules, each of these is processed in	connection.	Advanced Biology, Principles
	not include more detail than is listed	exactly the same way, and that most books	http://www.gwu.edu/~mpb/gly	and Applications, Clegg and
	in the syllabus)	show only what is happening to one of	colysis.htm	Mackean contains a very
	whole class discussion / verbal	these two triose molecules.	A flow diagram showing	nice illustration emphasising
	question and answer leading to a	these two those molecules.	displayed formulae of the	the changes in the number of
		It is very easy to teach this section in more	molecules involved in	carbon and phosphate
	brief written or diagrammatic	detail than is required. No intermediate	glycolysis, also viewable in	moieties during glycolysis.
	explanation of how glycolysis uses 2	steps or additional compounds should be	3D; too complex for most	moleties during grycorysis.
	ATP, but produces 4 ATP in total,	introduced beyond those specified in the	students but those also	Advanced Biology A2,
	giving a net production of 2 ATP	syllabus.	studying Chemistry	Biozone, page 30 covers
	whole class discussion / verbal	Syllabus.	may find this interesting.	details of glycolysis as
	question and answer to produce		www.accessexcellence.org/A	phosphorylation of glucose.
	bullet point notes stating the fate of		B/GG/out Glycol.html	Model answers to questions
	the reduced NAD formed, either		b/GG/out_Glycol.filmi	are provided in a separate
	entering the mitochondrion for ATP		A simpler flow diagram	student book and on CD.
	production in the electron transport		A simpler flow diagram.	Student book and on CD.
	system, or, during anaerobic		http://www.johnkyrk.com/glyc	
	respiration, being used to change		olysis.html	
	pyruvate			

A very detailed animation that will be very exciting for students who are interested and have a good grasp of chemistry. http://www.cat.cc.md.us/courses/bio141/lecguide/unit4/metabolism/cellresp/glycol_quiz.html
Nice interactive quiz on glycolysis, almost all at an appropriate level.

	Learning Outcomes	Suggested Teaching Activities	Online Resources	Other resources
_(f)	Explain that, when oxygen is available, pyruvate is converted into acetyl (2C) coenzyme A, which then combines with oxaloacetate (4C) to form citrate (6C). Learning Activities: Pupils should participate in: - whole class discussion / verbal question and answer involving use of bullet points and simple flow diagrams to describe the link reaction (not including more detail than is listed in the syllabus) - examining electron micrographs of mitochondria, identifying the outer and inner membrane, cristae and matrix - looking at microscope slides prepared to show mitochondria, or photomicrographs from the web, or use methyl pyronin green to stain actively respiring mitochondria in living cells (they are about the same size as bacteria, and therefore clearly visible under a good light microscope at x 1000)	Suggested Teaching Activities Talk through the link reaction, explaining that pyruvate is taken into the mitochondrion by active transport through its two membranes; during this reaction carbon dioxide is given off. (Mitochondrial structure could be revised at this point.) It is very easy to teach this section in more detail than is required. No intermediate steps or additional compounds should be introduced beyond those specified in the syllabus.	http://ghs.gresham.k12.or.us/science/ps/sci/soph/energy/resp/notes/krebs.htm Very appropriate diagrammatic representations of the link reaction and Kreb's cycle. http://www.cat.cc.md.us/courses/bio141/lecguide/unit4/metabolism/cellresp/transit.html Part of an excellent microbial biochemiustry site which covers what they call the transition reaction, including a highly appropriate interactive quiz at: http://www.cat.cc.md.us/courses/bio141/lecguide/unit4/metabolism/cellresp/transit_quiz.html http://www.revision-notes.co.uk/revision/263.html	Pages 203 and 205 in Biology, Jones. Fosbery, Taylor and Gregory covers the link reaction in an accessible way that is suited to the level of detail required by the assessment. In Biological Science 1, Taylor, Green and Stout, Chapter 9.3.5 includes a very brief review of the link reaction (termed transition stage). Advanced Biology, Jones and Jones and Understanding Biology for Advanced Level, Toole and Toole, do not separate out the link reaction specifically, although the detail presented is appropriate. Advanced Biology, Principles and Applications, Clegg and Mackean, labels the link
	photomicrographs from the web, or use methyl pyronin green to stain actively respiring mitochondria in living cells (they are about the same size as bacteria, and therefore clearly visible under a good light		ses/bio141/lecguide/unit4/me tabolism/cellresp/transit_quiz .html	the link reaction specifically, although the detail presented is appropriate. Advanced Biology, Principles and Applications, Clegg and Mackean, labels the link reaction of a diagram of
			some students will find useful, including the link reaction.	Krebs cycle. Advanced Biology A2, Biozone, page 30 includes details of the role of acetyl co-enzyme A. Model answers to questions are provided in a separate student book and on CD.

	Learning Outcomes	Suggested Teaching Activities	Online Resources	Other resources
L(g), (h)	Outline the Krebs cycle, explaining that citrate is reconverted to oxaloacetate in a series of small steps in the matrix of the mitochondrion (no further details are required); explain that these processes involve decarboxylation and dehydrogenation and describe the role of NAD. Learning Activities: Pupils should participate in: - whole class discussion / verbal question and answer leading to use of bullet points and simple flow diagrams to describe the Krebs cycle (not including more detail than is listed in the syllabus – there is no requirement to learn names of compounds beyond those listed in the syllabus) - annotating a simple diagram of Krebs cycle to illustrate the following: o series of small steps o decarboxylation (release of CO ₂) o dehydrogenation (production of reduced NAD (or FAD) containing hydrogen atoms / protons and electrons from the respiratory substrate) - carrying out an investigation into the activity of dehydrogenase enzymes during respiration, using DCPIP	With the class, gradually build up a simple diagram showing the required steps in the Krebs cycle. Emphasise its cyclic nature, and that hydrogen is removed and accepted by NAD and FAD; carbon dioxide is given off. Practical work could be carried out using tetrazolium chloride (TTC) as an artificial hydrogen acceptor, to illustrate the activity of dehydrogenase enzymes during respiration. It is very easy to teach this section in more detail than is required. No intermediate steps or additional compounds should be introduced beyond those specified in the syllabus.	Like glycolysis, watch out for university websites with far more detail than is needed for this course, and avoid them. http://www-saps.plantsci.cam.ac.uk/osmoweb/ttc.htm A protocol for a simple investigation using TTC to show the location of sites of faster and slower respiration in slices of fruit http://scidiv.bcc.ctc.edu/rkr/Biology201/labs/pdfs/CellRespirationLab201.pdf A acrobat pdf that includes protocols that can be adapted for school use, for using for using DCPIP to investigate Krebs cycle. http://ghs.gresham.k12.or.us/science/ps/sci/soph/energy/resp/notes/krebs.htm Very appropriate diagrammatic representations of the link reaction and Kreb's cycle, including a link to a more detailed diagram which makes very clear the number of carbon atoms in each molecule. http://www.revision-notes.co.uk/revision/263.html A basic bullet points that some students will find useful http://www.wiley.com/legacy/	Pages 204 and 205 in Biology, Jones. Fosbery, Taylor and Gregory cover Krebs Cycle in the level of detail that is required for success in the examination, yet in an accessible and comprehensible way. In Biological Science 1, Taylor, Green and Stout, Chapter 9.3.5 includes a review of Krebs cycle that uses more names than are needed, and, whilst clear, does not really emphasise sufficiently the points required by the examination. Experiment 9.1 is a protocol for investigation of oxidation of a Krebs cycle intermediate using DCPIP, which could probably be adapted to use decanting / filtration rather than a centrifuge. Advanced Biology, Jones and Jones and Understanding Biology for Advanced Level, Toole and Toole, includes Krebs cycle with more names than are required, but draw attention to the key points. Advanced Biology, Principles and Applications, Clegg and Mackean and Understanding Biology for Advanced Level, Toole and Toole, very clearly

college/bover/0470003790/a explain oxidation and nimations/tca/tca.htm reduction. A very nice animated website that runs well over a dial-up Advanced Biology A2, connection. The Introduction Biozone, pages 30 and 31 and Carbon parts are includes details of the role of appropriate in level, and the Krebs cycle and the role involve interactive learning. of NAD. Model answers to www.science.smith.edu/depa questions are provided in a rtments/Biology/Bio231/krebs separate student book and .html on CD. An animation showing what happens during the Krebs cycle. http://www.johnkyrk.com/kreb s.html A very detailed animation that will be very exciting for students who are interested and have a good grasp of chemistry. http://bcs.whfreeman.com/th elifewire/ Click on chapter 7, activities index, and then chapter 7.3 for a nice interactive tutorial that leads candidates with a sound grasp of chemistry through krebs cycle. http://www.cat.cc.md.us/cour ses/bio141/lecguide/unit4/me tabolism/cellresp/cac quiz.ht ml Useful interactive quiz on Kreb's cycle (which they term citric acid cycle).

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L(i), (d)	Dutline the process of oxidative phosphorylation, including the role of oxygen (no details of the carriers are required); explain that the synthesis of ATP is associated with the electron transport chain on the membranes of the mitochondrion. Learning Activities: Pupils should participate in: - whole class discussion / verbal question and answer leading to use of bullet points and simple flow diagrams to describe the process of oxidative phosphorylation by the electron transport chain (do not include more detail than is listed in the syllabus – there is no requirement to learn names of electron carriers beyond those listed in the syllabus) - annotating a simple diagram of the electron transport system to illustrate the following: o regeneration of NAD from reduced NAD o production of 3 ATP from 3 ADP + 3 inorganic phosphates o transport of electrons (from	With the class, gradually build up a diagram such as the one in <i>Biology</i> , Jones. Fosbery, Taylor and Gregory, illustrating how the transfer of electrons from one carrier to the next provides energy which is used to pump hydrogen ions from the mitochondrial matrix into the intermembranal space; as these ions move back down their concentration (and electrical) gradient, they pass through ATPases and ATP is synthesised from ADP and Pi; oxygen is the final electron acceptor. To help them to consolidate their understanding of aerobic respiration, students could be asked to explain how the structure of a mitochondrion is adapted for its functions in respiration. It is very easy to teach this section in more detail than is required. No intermediate steps or additional compounds / specific electron carriers should be introduced beyond those specified in the syllabus.	www.science.smith.edu/depa rtments/Biology/Bio231/etc.ht ml http://www.stolaf.edu/people/ giannini/flashanimat/metaboli sm/mido%20e%20transport.s wf Animations showing oxidative phosphorylation. http://www.cat.cc.md.us/cour ses/bio141/lecguide/unit4/me tabolism/cellresp/etsar.html Animation showing the principle of energy release from the electron transport system. http://www.woodrow.org/teac hers/bi/1998/presentations/h uffman/ Web page on how to use classroom simulation and activity to teach electron transport system in a way that will promote learning.	Pages 204-5 in Biology, Jones. Fosbery, Taylor and Gregory cover oxidative phosphorylation and the electron transport system in a comprehensible way, and with a level of detail suitable to the needs of the question papers. In Biological Science 1, Taylor, Green and Stout, Chapter 9.3.5 continues with a section on oxidative phosphorylation and the electron transport system (inadequately termed the respiratory chain). Advanced Biology, Jones and Jones, includes oxidative phosphorylation at an appropriate level of detail, with nice diagram showing ATP synthase. Advanced Biology, Principles and Applications, Clegg and Mackean, has a brief review of the electron transport
	 regeneration of NAD from reduced NAD production of 3 ATP from 3 ADP + 3 inorganic phosphates 	beyond those specified in the syllabus.	classroom simulation and activity to teach electron transport system in a way that will promote learning. http://sp.uconn.edu/~terry/im	Advanced Biology, Principles and Applications, Clegg and Mackean, has a brief review
	carriers o use of oxygen as a hydrogen acceptor at the end of the process, producing water as a waste product complete an interactive online quiz on aerobic respiration		ages/anim/ETS.html Animation of electron transport chain, with link to animation showing role of ATP synthase enzyme – likely to be of interest to those with a good grasp of chemistry.	Understanding Biology for Advanced Level, Toole and Toole contains more steps than is necessary, which may appeal to able students as background reading. Biofactsheet 12: Respiration

	http://scidiv.bcc.ctc.edu/rkr/Bi ology201/labs/pdfs/CellRespi rationLab201.pdf A acrobat pdf that includes protocols that can be adapted for school use, for using TTC to investigate the electron transport system http://www.cat.cc.md.us/cour ses/bio141/lecguide/unit4/me tabolism/cellresp/etsch_quiz. html An interactive quiz. http://www.cat.cc.md.us/cour ses/bio141/lecguide/unit4/me tabolism/cellresp/yield.html A nice analysis of the theoretical yield of ATP from aerobic respiration with a link to an interactive quiz.	e of el are
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	Learning Outcomes	Suggested Teaching Activities	Online Resources	Other resources
L(j)	Explain the production of a small yield of ATP from anaerobic respiration and the formation of ethanol in yeast and lactate in mammals, including the concept of oxygen debt. Learning Activities: Pupils should participate in: - describing, from research in textbooks or on the web, glycolysis, lactate production and regeneration of NAD from reduced NAD in animal cells and concept of oxygen debt in anaerobic conditions and glycolysis, ethanol & CO ₂ production and regeneration of NAD from reduced NAD in plant and fungal cells in anaerobic conditions, using bullet points or annotated diagrams - investigating factors affecting anaerobic respiration in yeast, including potentially, temperature, glucose concentration, ethanol concentration	Use flow diagrams to explain the lactate pathway and the ethanol pathway. Ensure pupils understand their importance in regenerating NAD. Students could carry out practical work relating to anaerobic respiration in yeast.	http://www.dentistry.leeds.ac.uk/biochem/lecture/glycol/pyruvate.htm Provides clear information in a text format. http://www.emc.maricopa.edu/faculty/farabee/BIOBK/BioBookGlyc.html#AnaerobicVery clear information and nice graphics of both lactate and ethanol pathways. http://www.accessexcellence.org/RC/VL/GG/ana_Pyruvate.html A pair of detailed diagrams. http://instruct1.cit.cornell.edu/Courses/biomi290/MOVIES/GLYCOLYSIS.HTML Nice but very detailed animation that makes very clear (to students with a good grounding in chemistry) the idea of regenerating NAD by creating lactate (need shockwave software from http://sdc.shockwave.com/shockwave/download/download.cgi). http://www.brianmac.demon.co.uk/oxdebit.htm Sport-related text file which gives a reasonably simple view of oxygen debt. Most websites go too deeply into oxygen debt.	Page 207 in Biology, Jones. Fosbery, Taylor and Gregory cover anaerobic respiration, briefly, but in sufficient detail to serve the needs of the course. In Biological Science 1, Taylor, Green and Stout, Chapter 9.3.6 is about anaerobic respiration (but watch out – the diagram on the same page is aerobic respiration!), as well as oxygen debt. Advanced Biology, Jones and Jones, includes a very suitable review of anaerobic respiration. Advanced Biology, Principles and Applications, Clegg and Mackean and Understanding Biology for Advanced Level, Toole and Toole, cover anaerobic respiration. Practical Advanced Biology, King et al includes several possible practicals, including one investigating the effect of temperature on anaerobic respiration in yeast. Students may also investigate the effect of different concentrations of ethanol on rates of respiration in yeast. Advanced Biology A2, Biozone, has a brief review of different anaerobic pathways on page 32. Model answers to questions are

		provided in a separate student book and on CD.

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L(k),	Explain the relative energy values of	Use simple balanced chemical equations to	http://sps.k12.ar.us/masseng	Pages 207-9 in <i>Biology</i> ,
(I),	carbohydrate, lipid and protein as	illustrate why different respiratory	ale/lab 5 cellular respiration	Jones. Fosbery, Taylor and
(m)	respiratory substrates; define the term	substrates have different RQs.	<u>by_kr.htm</u>	Gregory cover respiratory
	respiratory quotient (RQ); carry out			substrates and RQ. On page
	investigations, using simple	Explain to students how to use a simple	A description of an	209 there is a diagram and
	respirometers, to measure RQ and the	respirometer and ask them to carry out an	investigation using	description of a respirometer
	effect of temperature on respiration	investigation to measure RQ, and another	respirometers, and a set of	and how to use it.
	rate.	to compare rates of respiration at different	results which students could	
		temperatures, using these.	analyse.	In Biological Science 1,
	Learning Activities:			Taylor, Green and Stout,
		Once they have been shown the technique,	http://www.lampstras.k12.pa.	Chapter 9.3 includes different
	Pupils should participate in:	this is a good opportunity to develop their	us/hschool/teachers/pitts/apb	respiratory substrates, 9.5.9
	 listing, from their memory of 	abilities relating to Assessment Objectives	io/cell_energy/respiration_lab	an outline of RQ and
	previous studies, and from text	in Group C (Experimental skills and	<u>.htm</u>	experiment 9.2 is a rather
	research, respiratory substrates	investigations) including the design and		complex protocol for using
	from which energy can be obtained.	evaluation of their own investigation.	respirometer protocol using	temperature compensated
	 Whole class discussion/verbal 		crickets	respirometers.
	question and answer leading to	There are two schools of thought about		
	definition of RQ in terms of volumes	respirometers for student use.	http://www.science-	Advanced Biology, Principles
	of CO ₂ produced and O ₂ used,	Temperature compensation by having two	projects.com/CC101L8.htm	and Applications, Clegg and
	considering theoretical values from	tubes linked by a manometer results in well		Mackean, has an interesting
	equations for respiration of	controlled experiments, but introduces	Two simple protocols at the	graph of RQ changes in
	carbohydrate and of a specific lipid.	many potentially leaky joints, so that	bottom of the page.	germinating wheat and flax
	 Calculate RQ values from balanced 	students often fail to get results. Much		seeds.
	chemical equations for the aerobic	simpler designs, using a single syringe and	http://www.biologymad.com/	
	respiration of carbohydrates and	capillary tube are far more sensitive to	master.html?http://www.biolo	Understanding Biology for
	lipids, using a teacher-prepared	temperature, but far more reliable in	gymad.com/PhotosynResp/P	Advanced Level, Toole and
	worksheet.	yielding results, provided that students	hotosynResp.htm	Toole, has a clear section on
	Whole class discussion/verbal	leave them alone as far as possible. It is		theoretical RQ of
	question and answer to build	desirable for students to experience both	In RQ section shows	carbohydrate and lipid.
	understanding of how, within a	types.	temperature compensated	
	respirometer, soda lime can be used		respirometer	Practical Advanced Biology,
	to absorb CO ₂ , allowing rate of			King et al, has a protocol for
	oxygen uptake to be measured, and		http://www.ns.purchase.edu/	investigating the effect of
	how, by leaving out the soda lime,		biology/bio1550lab/aerobic.ht	temperature on oxygen
	the rate of CO ₂ production can then		<u>m</u>	consumption of organisms,
	be calculated.			and another for determining
	 Using a simple respirometer to 		http://personal.nbnet.nb.ca/tr	respiratory quotient, which
	measure CO ₂ use and O ₂ production		evgall/biology/resplab.html	include detailed explanations
	of germinating seeds, and calculate			of how to use respirometers.
	or germinating seeds, and calculate			

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- Using a temperature compensated respirometer to investigate the effect of temperature on rate of respiration (such respirometers can be made from ordinary laboratory equipment).
- Brief whole class discussion/verbal question and answer to lead students to understand that proteins and carbohydrates contain similar ratios of C, H and O, but lipid contains less O than C and H, so lipid yields more energy.

http://central.saisd.org/dpts/s cience/biologyap/student/unit 2/Unit%202%20Labs/Cell%2 0Respiration%20Lab.htm

A simple respirometer protocols involving seeds

http://www.phschool.com/sci ence/biology_place/labbench /lab5/features.html

A series of pages showing how to make and use simple respirometers Comprehensive Practical Biology, Siddiqui, also has detailed protocols for these two investigations.

New Perspectives in Advanced Biology, Hansen, 1999, pub Hodder and Stoughton, has, on page 78, a simple syringe-based respirometer.

Advanced Biology A2, Biozone, shows the determination of RQ for a variety of substrates on page 28. Model answers to questions are provided in a separate student book and on CD.

	Learning Outcomes	Suggested Teaching Activities	Online Resources	Other resources
M(a)	Explain that energy transferred as light	Ask students: what is the purpose of	www.accessexcellence.org/A	Pages 212-3 in Biology,
,	is used during photosynthesis to	photosynthesis? Where does it happen?	B/GG/photo Resp.html	Jones. Fosbery, Taylor and
	produce complex organic molecules	Help them to understand that	A diagram and short text	Gregory cover the
	and that the process of respiration	photosynthesis transfers energy from light	explaining the	fundamentals of
	allows this energy to be transferred	to complex organic molecules.	interrelationship of	photosynthesis and the
	through chemical reactions so that it		respiration and	trapping of light energy.
	can be used by living organisms.	Introduce photosynthesis as a series of	photosynthesis.	
		reactions in which energy is transferred		In Biological Science 1,
	Learning Activities:	from sunlight to molecules such as	http://www.biologymad.com/	Taylor, Green and Stout,
		glucose.	Follow the links to A2 Biology	Chapter 7.12 looks at the
	Pupils should participate in:		and then photosynthesis and	relationship between
	 whole class discussion / verbal 		respiration – links to relevant	photosynthesis and
	question and answer leading to		sites and materials for both	respiration, including a
	bullet pointed statements to build		processes	practical protocol to
	understanding of purpose of			investigate compensation
	photosynthesis		http://www.wcsscience.com/p	point in leaves. The
	 Transfer of energy from light to 		hotosynthesis/page.html	beginning of Chapter 9
	complex organic molecules		Good reminder of basics.	considers this further.
	from which the energy can later			
	be released to do work		http://iusd.k12.ca.us/uhs/cs2/	Advanced Biology, Jones
	 Reduction of CO₂ by the 		photosynsummary.htm	and Jones, includes a nice
	addition of hydrogen / electrons		Good summary of	diagram, Fig. 8.4, showing
	/ energy and removal of		biochemical outline of	the inputs and outputs from
	oxygen		photosynthesis.	the stages of photosynthesis.
	 researching information leading to 			
	drawing up an annotated diagram		http://35.9.122.184/images/1	Advanced Biology, Principles
	showing, in outline , that		<u>0-</u>	and Applications, Clegg and
	photosynthesis consists of a light		Photosynthesis/HTML/source	Mackean, starts chapter 12
	dependent stage in which light		<u>/55.html</u>	with an extensive review that
	energy is transferred to ATP and		Detailed summary of	is good background reading
	reduced NADP, and a light		biochemistry of	for able students.
	independent stage that uses the		photosynthesis – next slide is	
	energy from the ATP and reduced		same picture without labels.	Advanced Biology A2,
	NADP to reduce CO ₂ to			Biozone, Although not
	carbohydrate		http://staff.jccc.net/pdecell/ph	covered explicitly, this
	 organising cards with information 		otosyn/photoframe.html	section is implicitly covered
	about photosynthesis (made by the		Nice text, photo and	in the unit detailing
	teacher) into a logical order, asking		diagrams including	photosynthesis. Model
	about areas not understood, in order		relationship between light	answers to questions are
	to build understanding		dependent and light	provided in a separate

Complete an interactive online quiz	independent stages. student book and on CD.
on fundamentals of photosynthesis.	http://www.cat.cc.md.us/cour
' '	ses/bio141/lecguide/unit4/me
	tabolism/photosyn/photo.html
	Nice basic introduction to
	photosynthesis with links to
	animation, diagram and
	interactive quiz.
	http://faculty.fmcc.suny.edu/
	mcdarby/Animals&PlantsBoo
	k/Plants/01-
	Photosynthesis.htm
	Another good basic
	introduction to
	photosynthesis leading on to
	the existence of light
	dependent and light
	independent stages.
	http://www.teachnet.ie/foneill/
	photo.html
	Text material with links to
	more detailed material
	relevant to the next two
	Scheme of Work units.

Learning Outcomes	Suggested Teaching Activities	Online Resources	Other resources
M (b) Describe the photoactivation of chlorophyll resulting in the photolysis of water and in the transfer of energy to ATP and reduced NADP (cyclic ar non-cyclic photophosphorylation should be described in outline only). Learning Activities: Pupils should participate in: - whole class discussion / verbal question and answer leading to production of bullet points and annotated diagrams to build understanding of photolysis, photosystems, chain of electron carriers / ATP production and reduction of NADP, plus a brief outline of photosynthetic pigment - investigating the effect of light intensity and light wavelength on the Hill reaction, using a very simple protocol - investigating the pigments preser in chloroplasts using paper or thir layer chromatography	stage to students. Avoid covering more detail than students need, as they frequently find this topic difficult. They should know about photosystem I and II, chloroplast pigments and their absorption spectra and roles, photolysis and the Hill reaction. Help students to see the similarities between the way in which ATP is produced in photosynthesis and in respiration. Practical work on the Hill reaction could be carried out, using DCPIP as an electron acceptor. Practical work could also involve chromatography of chloroplast pigments. It is very easy to teach this section in more detail than is required. No intermediate	http://www.biology4all.com/re sources library/details.asp? ResourceID=43 An animation showing the events taking place in the light-dependent stage – download the first flash animation. http://stolaf.edu/people/gianni ni/flashanimat/metabolism/ph otosynthesis.swf A good animation of photophosphorylation http://www.teachnet.ie/foneill/ nadph.html Nice text and animation about making reduced NADP from NADP – click on the grey bar below the diagram. http://www.teachnet.ie/foneill/ cyclic.html http://www.teachnet.ie/foneill/ noncyclic.html Nice animations and text of cyclic and non-cyclic photophosphorylation. http://www- saps.plantsci.cam.ac.uk/work sheets/ssheets/ssheet10.htm A protocol for carrying out thin layer chromatography of plant pigments.	The depth of treatment of this topic on pages 213-5 in <i>Biology</i> , Jones. Fosbery, Taylor and Gregory, is a good guide to the level of detail required. <i>Biology</i> , Jones. Fosbery, Taylor and Gregory, contains a set of results on page 215, from an investigation into the Hill reaction using DCPIP. In <i>Biological Science 1</i> , Taylor, Green and Stout, Chapter 7.5 includes absorption of light and 7.6 light dependent reactions, in detail. 7.11 includes a protocol for the Hill reaction that works well. By adapting it to use decanting and filtration rather than centrifuging, and melting point tubes rather than test tubes as reaction vessels, this can be done without expensive equipment. <i>Advanced Biology</i> , Jones and Jones, and <i>Advanced Biology</i> , <i>Principles and Applications</i> , Clegg and Mackean, include detailed and superbly illustrated accounts of the light dependent reactions likely to appeal to students with an interest in biochemistry.

	http://www.cot.co.mod.vo/cour	Lindonatandina Dialogo for
	http://www.cat.cc.md.us/courses/bio141/lecguide/unit4/me	Understanding Biology for Advanced Level, Toole and
	tabolism/photosyn/ldr_quiz.ht	Toole, includes the light
	ml	dependent stage.
	An appropriate interactive	dopondoni stago.
	quiz on light dependent	Comprehensive Practical
	reactions. Follow links back	<i>Biology</i> , Siddiqui, has a
	to text page and animations	protocol for investigating the
	of chemiosmosis of interest	Hill reaction, involving, like
	to the most able students	most others, the use of a
		centrifuge.
		Chromatography of
		photosynthetic pigments is
		described in <i>Practical</i>
		Advanced Biology, King et al
		and also in Siddiqui.
		Advanced Biology A2,
		Biozone, provides an outline
		of photosynthesis and then
		details of the photolysis of
		water during the light dependant phase. Model
		answers to questions are
		provided in a separate
		student book and on CD.

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Л(c)	Describe the uses of ATP and	With the class, gradually build up a simple	www.science.smith.edu/depa	The depth of treatment of this
and	reduced NADP in the light-	diagram showing the Calvin cycle.	rtments/Biology/Bio231/calvi	topic on pages 215-6 in
d)	independent stage of photosynthesis;	Emphasise the source and roles of reduced	n.html	Biology, Jones. Fosbery,
,	describe in outline the Calvin cycle	NADP and ATP.		Taylor and Gregory, is a
	involving the light-independent fixation		An animation of the Calvin	good guide to the level of
	of carbon dioxide by combination with	Note: avoid the term 'dark reaction', as this	cycle.	detail required.
	a 5C compound (RuBP), and the	wrongly implies that it only takes place in		'
	conversion of GP into carbohydrates,	the dark.	http://www.teachnet.ie/foneill/	In Biological Science 1,
	lipids and amino acids (the		calvin.html	Taylor, Green and Stout,
	regeneration of RuBP should be	Note: look out for different names for some		Chapter 7.6 ends with a
	understood in outline only, and a	of the compounds involved. GP (glycerate	A very nice animation of the	detailed review of light
	knowledge of C4 and CAM plants is	3-phosphate) is sometimes known as PGA	Calvin cycle.	independent reactions.
	not required)	(3-phosphoglycerate). Triose phosphate is	Garrin System	
	not roquirou)	sometimes known as GALP	http://www.cat.cc.md.us/cour	Advanced Biology, Jones
	Learning Activities:	(glyceraldyhyde 3-phosphate) In the	ses/bio141/lecquide/unit4/me	and Jones and Advanced
	Pupils should participate in:	interests of 'error-free learning', use only	tabolism/photosyn/lindr quiz.	Biology, Principles and
	- whole class discussion / verbal	the syllabus names and abbreviations at all	html	Applications, Clegg and
	question and answer leading to	times. The alternatives should be given to	Han	Mackean, include clear
	white-board / black-board bullet	students once only, on paper, so that they	A nice interactive quiz on	explanations of the light
	points, annotated diagrams and	can access textbooks designed for other	light independent reactions.	independent reactions.
	written questions to build	syllabuses.	Ingrit independent reactions.	independent reactions.
	understanding of the light	Syllabuses.	http://www.teachnet.ie/foneill/	Understanding Biology for
	independent stage (in no more	It is very easy to teach this section in more	workphoto.html	Advanced Level, Toole and
	detail than is given in the syllabus),	detail than is required. No intermediate	<u>workprioto.num</u>	Toole, outlines the light
	emphasising:	steps or additional compounds need to be	Nice quiz about all aspects of	dependent stage with a
	 RuBP in CO₂ fixation to form 	introduced beyond those specified in the	photosynthesis – smiley face	slightly unusual diagram,
	GP	syllabus.	for correct answers, cross for	which may help some
	o the use of ATP for energy to	Syllabus.	incorrect!	students.
	reduce GP to TP and as a		incorrect:	Students.
	source of phosphate and		http://www.msu.edu/~smithe	Advanced Biology A2,
			44/calvin cycle process.htm	Biozone, gives details of the
	energy to regenerate RuBP		44/caivin_cycle_process.nun	light dependant stage and an
	from TP (individual steps in		A stan by stan through the	outline of the light
	RuBP regeneration are not		A step by step through the	
	required)		process in enough detail to	independent Calvin cycle on
	o the use of reduced NADP in		satisfy the student with a	page 38. Model answers to
	reduction of GP to TP,		solid understanding of	questions are provided in a
	regenerating NADP		Chemistry – some nice	separate student book and
	GP as a raw material for		models of the molecules	on CD.
	producing carbohydrates,		involved.	
	lipids and amino acids (no			

details of pathways required)		
Complete an interactive online quiz on		
the light independent reactions.		

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M(e)	Describe the structure of a dicotyledonous leaf, a palisade cell and a chloroplast and relate their structures to their roles in photosynthesis. Learning Activities: Pupils should participate in: interpretation, drawing and annotation of diagrams from photomicrographs and electron micrographs (from books and the web), diagrams, microscope slides, fresh plant materials (e.g. Elodea entire leaf, freshly cut sections (in water) through a locally available dicotyledonous mesophyte) and the Cambridge Hitachi Bioscope making a brief written summary of the adaptations of palisade cells and chloroplasts to their functions practising measuring skills with microscope / Cambridge Hitachi Bioscope and calculate size of objects and magnification of images making epidermal strips from various leaves (perhaps using nail varnish and peeling off when dry), making quantitative comparisons	Students will have dealt with these structures during their AS course. Now they can link them with their functions in photosynthesis. Students should see and interpret electron micrographs of palisade cells and chloroplasts. Ask them to write a brief summary of how palisade cells and chloroplasts are adapted for photosynthesis. This is a good opportunity to practise microscope work, observing and recording the structure of leaves in transverse section and also using a graticule and stage micrometer for measurement. Students could prepare epidermal strips from leaves of different species, make their own temporary slides and record and interpret their observations. This can be done quantitatively, involving a calculation of the number of stomata per unit area on a mesophytic and a xerophytic leaf, again linking structure to function. (There is no requirement to teach the mechanism of functioning of stomata in this part of the course.) Students could be encouraged to consider similarities in the structure of mitochondria and chloroplasts, relating these to their common function of generating ATP as electrons pass along a chain of electron carriers	http://images.botany.org Micrographs of leaves. http://www.biu.soton.ac.uk/ga Ileryindex.htm Includes a nice poplar leaf section. http://www.biologie.uni- hamburg.de/b- online/e05/r21.htm SEM of leaf section. http://faculty.uca.edu/~johnc/ Chloroplast_and_microbodie s.jpg TEM chloroplast. http://www.bio.ic.ac.uk/resear ch/nield/gallery.html Images including TEM chloroplast.	There are many superb slides and associated learning tasks on the Cambridge Hitachi Bioscope, including very nice chloroplasts in <i>Elodea</i> , a variety of leaf sections, including sun and shade leaves. The Cambridge Hitachi Bioscope is a superb teaching and learning tool for the skills required to use a graticule and stage micrometer successfully. Pages 216-9 in <i>Biology</i> , Jones. Fosbery, Taylor and Gregory cover leaf, palisade cell and chloroplast structure to an appropriate level. In <i>Biological Science 1</i> , Taylor, Green and Stout, Chapter 7.4 reviews leaf and chloroplast structure. Advanced Biology, Jones and Jones, includes some very appropriate and motivating material on leaf and chloroplast structure. Advanced Biology, Principles and Applications, Clegg and Mackean, has nice clear illustrations of leaf, palisade call and chloroplast structure. A relatively simple practical
				looking at leaf structure is

	described in <i>Practical</i> Advanced Biology, King et al, and a more detailed one in Comprehensive Practical Biology by Siddiqui.
	Biofactsheet 61: chloroplasts and mitochondria
	The CD-ROM: Images of Biology for Advanced Level published by Stanley Thornes has suitable images that are useful here.
	Advanced Biology A2, Biozone, gives basic details of leaf structure on page 33 and an explanation of the role and structure of a
	chloroplast on page 36. Model answers to questions are provided in a separate student book and on CD.

	Learning Outcomes	Suggested Teaching Activities	Online Resources	Other resources
l(f)	Discuss limiting factors in	Practical work should be carried out to	http://www-	Pages 219-220 in Biology,
	photosynthesis and carry out	investigate the effect of light intensity, light	saps.plantsci.cam.ac.uk/work	Jones. Fosbery, Taylor and
	investigations on the effects of light,	colour (wavelength), carbon dioxide	sheets/activ/prac5.htm	Gregory cover the limiting
	carbon dioxide and temperature on	concentration and temperature on the rate	A protocol using leaf discs to	effects of light intensity,
	the rate of photosynthesis.	of photosynthesis.	investigate the effect of light	carbon dioxide concentration
	, ,		intensity on the rate of	and temperature on
	Learning Activities:	Students could be expected to design and	photosynthesis. This could	photosynthesis.
		carry out at least one investigation of their	easily be modified to	In Biological Science 1,
	Pupils should participate in:	own, once a technique has been shown to	investigate the effects of	Taylor, Green and Stout,
	- simulate simple experiments on	them.	wavelength and/or	Chapter 7.8 is a detailed
	effect of light and carbon dioxide		temperature.	review of limiting factors on
	on rate of photosynthesis using	Carbon dioxide can be varied by using a	,	photosynthesis. 7.11
	website or CIE simulations	water plant (such as <i>Elodea</i> or <i>Hydrilla</i>)	http://www-	includes a quantitative
	- carrying out an investigation into	and adding sodium hydrogen carbonate	saps.plantsci.cam.ac.uk/work	protocol for investigating the
	the effect of CO ₂ concentration (by	(sodium bicarbonate) to the water.	sheets/ssheet23.htm	effect of light intensity on rate
	changing sodium hydrogen		Using immobilised algae to	of photosynthesis.
	carbonate concentration) on rate	Students should understand that	investigate the rate of	Advanced Biology, Jones
	of photosynthesis of an aquatic	temperature affects the rate of the light-	photosynthesis.	and Jones, covers the effect
	plant	independent stage as this is controlled by	http://www-	of limiting factors in a visual
	- planning and carrying out an	enzymes, whilst the light-dependent stage	saps.plantsci.cam.ac.uk/work	and very clear way.
	investigation into the effect of light	is <i>not</i> directly affected by temperature	sheets/ssheet20.htm	Advanced Biology, Principles
	intensity on rate of photosynthesis	changes as these are photochemical	A protocol entitled 'Can leaf	and Applications, Clegg and
	in an aquatic plant	reactions.	discs make starch in the	Mackean, has an extensive
	- researching the effect of		dark?	review of limiting factors that
	temperature on photosynthesis,		danti	is good background reading
	using the internet and text book		http://www-	for able students
	sources, finding clear graphical		saps.plantsci.cam.ac.uk/work	A range of possible practicals
	representations, and putting		sheets/ssheet20.htm	is described in both <i>Practical</i>
	copies of these up on a wall in the		<u>criodio/doriodic/doriodi20:mim</u>	Advanced Biology, King et al,
	laboratory		http://www.teachnet.ie/foneill/	and in Comprehensive
	answer questions based on graphical		workphoto.html	Practical Biology Siddiqui
	and tabular information (written by the		Nice simple simulations of	Advanced Biology A2,
	teacher) to reinforce understanding		the effect of light intensity	Biozone, gives a brief outline
	and practice skills.		and carbon dioxide	of limiting factors and a
	and produce skins.		concentration on rate of	series of questions on page
			photosynthesis – can be	40. Model answers to
			used to generate data by	questions are provided in a
			counting bubbles per unit	separate student book and
			time.	on CD.
			Lume.	UII CD.