

SOL 5.5 -- CELLS; VASCULAR & NONVASCULAR PLANTS; VERTEBRATE & INVERTEBRATE ANIMALS

Key Concepts:

- basic cell structures and functions;
- classification of organisms using physical characteristics, body structures, and behavior of the organism;
- traits of organisms that allow them to survive in their environment



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CELLS

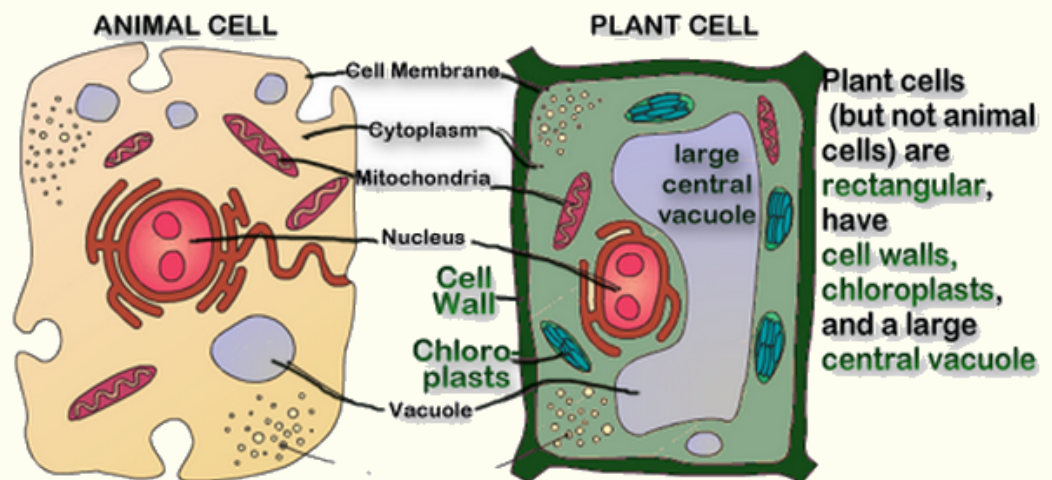
- Living things** are made of **cells**. Cells carry out all life processes.
 - New** cells come from **existing** cells.
 - Cells are **too small** to be seen with the eye alone. By using a **microscope**, many parts of a cell can be seen.

CELL PARTS

- For **plant and animal cells**, identify the following **structures** and their **functions**
 - For **plants**: the **nucleus**, **cell wall**, **cell membrane**, **vacuole**, **chloroplasts**, **cytoplasm**.
 - For **animal**:, the **nucleus**, **cell membrane**, **vacuole**, **cytoplasm**.

PLANT & ANIMAL CELL DIFFERENCES

- Plant cells and animal cells are **similar but different** in shape and some parts.
 - Plant cells** (but not animal cells) have **cell walls**, **chloroplasts**, and a **large central vacuole**
 - Plant** cells tend to be **rectangular**, while **animal** cells tend to be **spherical** or at times **irregular**.



VASCULAR & NONVASCULAR PLANTS

- Organisms that share **similar characteristics** can be organized into **groups** in order to help understand similarities and differences.



- Plants** can be categorized as **vascular** or **nonvascular**
 - Vascular** (having special tissues to **transport food** and **water** – for example, **trees** and **flowering plants**)
 - Nonvascular** (not having tissues to transport food and water – for example, **moss**, **liverworts**, **hornworts**).
- Most plants** are **vascular**.

NONVASCULAR PLANTS
no stems to transport water so found in humid areas

most plants are **VASCULAR PLANTS**
including all flowering plants, trees, ferns

VERTEBRATE & INVERTEBRATE ANIMALS

- Animals** can be categorized as **vertebrates** or **invertebrates**
 - vertebrates** (having **backbones**) (fish, frogs, reptiles, birds, people)
 - invertebrates** (not having backbones). (insects, worms, crabs, spiders)

