

CHAPTER 4 - ABSORPTION BY ROOTS

A. Name the following.

- 1. The phenomenon by which living or dead plant cells absorb water by surface attraction.
- 2. The process in which water absorption needs metabolic energy.
- 3. A solution whose concentration is equal to the cell sap.
- 4. The term for the inward movement of solvent molecules through the plasma membrane of a cell.
- 5. The organ that transports water from the soil to other parts of the plant.

B. Fill in the blanks.

- 1. Raisin swells up when kept in a ______ solution.
- 2. The root hair is an extension of _____
- 3. The condition of a cell when it is placed in a hypertonic solution is called ______
- 4. The root hair is ______ and thin-walled.
- 5. The pressure which develops in the cortical cells of root exerts force to push water upward is called

C. Choose the correct option.

- 1. Marine fish when thrown under tap water bursts due to
- a. endosmosis. b. exosmosis. c. diffusion. d. plasmolysis.
- The space between the cell wall and plasma membrane in plasmolysed cell is filled with

 a. isotonic solution.
 b. hypotonic solution.
 c. hypertonic solution.
 d. water.
- 3. Osmosis involves diffusion of
 - a. suspended particles from lower to higher concentration.
 - b. water from the more concentrated solution to the less concentrated solution.
 - c. water from the less concentrated solution to more concentrated solution.
 - d. water by surface attraction.
- 4. The process by which molecules distribute themselves evenly within the space they occupy is termed as a. osmosis.b. diffusion.c. active transport.d. imbibition.

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5. Synthesized food in green leaves is transported through

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a. phloem. b. xylem. c. pith. d. cortex.

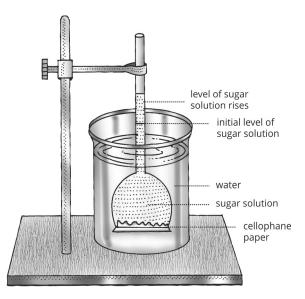
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D. Define the following terms.

- 1. Ascent of sap
- 2. Tonicity
- 3. Osmotic potential
- 4. Turgor pressure
- 5. Deplasmolysis
- E. The apparatus shown was set-up for an experiment. Based on this set-up, answer the following questions.
- 1. What process does the experiment demonstrate?
- 2. Name two liquids that could be used in this experiment.
- 3. Why did the level of the liquid in the vertical tube rise?
- 4. Explain how the process named in Q. 1 affect Amoeba.
- 5. Give an example of a plant part in which the above process occurs. What is the advantage of this process to plants?





ANSWERS

WORKSHEET 2

A. Name the following.

- 1. Imbibition
- 2. Active transport
- 3. Isotonic solution
- 4. Endosmosis
- 5. Root hair

B. Fill in the blanks.

- 1. hypotonic
- 2. epidermis of root cells
- 3. flaccidity
- 4. unicellular
- 5. root pressure

C. Choose the correct option.

1. a.	2. с.	3. с.	4. b.	5. a.

D. Define the following terms.

- 1. Ascent of sap The upward movement of water and mineral salts from roots to the aerial parts of the plant, against the gravitational force.
- 2. Tonicity The relative concentration of a solution which determines the direction and extent of diffusion.
- 3. Osmotic potential It is the measure of the tendency of water molecules to diffuse out of it.
- 4. Turgor pressure The pressure of the cell contents against the cell wall.
- 5. Deplasmolysis The swelling up of a plasmolyzed cell under the influence of hypotonic solution or water.

E. The apparatus shown was set-up for an experiment. Based on this set-up, answer the following questions.

- 1. Osmosis
- 2. Salt or sugar solution.
- 3. The vertical tube contains sugar solution and is separated from pure water by a semi-permeable membrane. So osmosis occurs and the level of the solution in the vertical tube rises.
- 4. *Amoeba* is a unicellular organism and lives in water. It contains plasma membrane. So, osmosis takes place and water enters into the cell. To prevent the bursting of the cell, *Amoeba* possesses contractile vacuole that throws out unwanted substances.
- 5. Root hair Osmosis helps in the absorption of water.

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