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Part 1: Building a Foundation	
Which of the following is a type of macromolecule?	
Hint: Think about the different types of biological molecules.	
○ Water	
O Protein	
Carbon Dioxide	
○ Oxygen	
Which of the following are considered macromolecules? (Select all that apply)	
Hint: Consider the large biological molecules.	
Lipids	
Amino Acids	
☐ Carbohydrates	
☐ Nucleic Acids	
Describe the primary function of carbohydrates in living organisms.	
Hint: Think about energy and structure.	
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List the four main types of macromolecules and provide one example of each.



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Hint: Think about the major classes of biological molecules.
1. Carbohydrates
2. Proteins
3. Lipids
4. Nucleic Acids
Part 2: Understanding and Interpretation
What is the primary role of nucleic acids in cells?
Hint: Consider genetic information.
○ Energy storage
Genetic information storage and transfer
Structural supportCatalyzing reactions
Oataly2ing reactions
Which of the following statements about proteins is true? (Select all that apply)
Hint: Think about the functions and structures of proteins.
☐ They are made of nucleotides.
They can function as enzymes.
They are a primary energy source.
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Explain how the structure of phospholipids contributes to their function in cell membranes.

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Hint: Consider the hydrophilic and hydrophobic properties.



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Part 3: Application and Analysis
If a cell needs to quickly mobilize energy, which macromolecule is it most likely to use?
Hint: Think about the energy sources available to cells.
Lipids Proteins Carbohydrates Nucleic Acids
Which processes involve the breakdown of macromolecules? (Select all that apply)
Hint: Consider metabolic processes.
☐ Dehydration synthesis ☐ Hydrolysis
Photosynthesis Cellular respiration
Describe a real-world scenario where enzymes play a crucial role in a biological process.
Hint: Think about digestion or metabolism.



Part 4: Evaluation and Creation

Which level of protein structure is characterized by alpha helices and beta sheets?
Hint: Consider the different levels of protein organization.
○ Primary
Secondary
○ tertiary
○ Quaternary
Analyze the following statements and identify which are true about the polymerization of macromolecules. (Select all that apply)
Hint: Think about the processes involved in forming macromolecules.
☐ It involves the removal of water molecules.
☐ It requires energy input.
☐ It is a spontaneous process.
☐ It results in the formation of monomers.
Compare and contrast the roles of DNA and RNA in genetic information processing. Hint: Think about structure and function.
Which of the following scenarios would most likely disrupt protein function?
Which of the following scenarios would most likely disrupt protein function? Hint: Consider factors that affect protein stability.
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Hint: Consider factors that affect protein stability. Increase in temperature



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Evaluate the impact of lipid structure on its function in the following scenarios. (Select all that apply)
Hint: Think about the roles of lipids in biological systems.
Lipids in cell membranes
☐ Lipids as hormones
Lipids in energy storage
Lipids in photosynthesis
Propose a hypothetical experiment to test the effect of temperature on enzyme activity, including your expected outcomes and reasoning.
Hint: Consider how temperature affects molecular interactions.