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### Part 1: Building a Foundation

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#### What is the primary difference between osmosis and diffusion?

*Hint: Consider the movement of water and solutes.*

- A) Osmosis involves the movement of solutes, while diffusion involves the movement of water.
- B) Osmosis involves the movement of water, while diffusion involves the movement of solutes.
- C) Osmosis occurs in gases, while diffusion occurs in liquids.
- D) Osmosis requires energy, while diffusion does not.

#### Which of the following factors affect the rate of diffusion? (Select all that apply)

*Hint: Think about physical conditions that might influence movement.*

- A) Temperature
- B) Surface area
- C) Concentration gradient
- D) Color of the solute

#### Explain what is meant by a semi-permeable membrane and its role in osmosis.

*Hint: Consider how substances move through the membrane.*

#### List two types of solutions in osmosis and describe their effects on a cell.

*Hint: Think about how cells react in different environments.*

1. Type of solution 1

2. Effect on cell

3. Type of solution 2

4. Effect on cell

## Part 2: Understanding and Interpretation

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**In which type of solution does a cell maintain its normal shape and size?**

*Hint: Consider the balance of solute concentrations inside and outside the cell.*

- A) Hypertonic
- B) Hypotonic
- C) Isotonic
- D) Supersonic

**Which statements are true about diffusion? (Select all that apply)**

*Hint: Think about the characteristics of diffusion.*

- A) It requires energy input from the cell.
- B) It moves substances down their concentration gradient.
- C) It can occur in gases, liquids, and solids.
- D) It is a form of active transport.

**Describe how temperature affects the rate of diffusion and provide an example.**

*Hint: Consider how heat influences molecular movement.*

### Part 3: Application and Analysis

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**If a freshwater plant cell is placed in a saltwater solution, what is likely to happen?**

*Hint: Think about the movement of water in relation to solute concentration.*

- A) The cell will swell and burst.
- B) The cell will shrink and become plasmolyzed.
- C) The cell will remain unchanged.
- D) The cell will divide rapidly.

**Which scenarios demonstrate osmosis in action? (Select all that apply)**

*Hint: Think about situations where water movement is evident.*

- A) A raisin swelling in water.
- B) Perfume scent spreading in a room.
- C) A plant wilting due to lack of water.
- D) Sugar dissolving in tea.

**Imagine you are a scientist studying a new type of cell. How would you determine if osmosis is occurring in these cells?**

*Hint: Consider the methods you could use to observe water movement.*

**Which of the following best explains why a cell in a hypertonic solution loses water?**

*Hint: Think about the direction of water movement in relation to solute concentration.*

- A) Water moves from high to low solute concentration.
- B) Water moves from low to high solute concentration.
- C) Solutes move from high to low concentration.
- D) Solutes move from low to high concentration.

**Analyze the following statements and identify which are true regarding isotonic solutions. (Select all that apply)**

*Hint: Consider the characteristics of isotonic environments.*

- A) There is no net movement of water.
- B) Cells in isotonic solutions will swell.
- C) Solute concentrations are equal inside and outside the cell.
- D) Cells in isotonic solutions will shrink.

**Compare and contrast diffusion and osmosis, highlighting their similarities and differences.**

*Hint: Think about the definitions and processes of each.*

## Part 4: Evaluation and Creation

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**Which experiment would best demonstrate the process of osmosis?**

*Hint: Consider experiments that show water movement across membranes.*

- A) Observing a balloon deflate over time.
- B) Measuring the rate of sugar dissolving in water.
- C) Placing a potato slice in saltwater and measuring its mass change.
- D) Timing how long it takes for food coloring to spread in water.

**Evaluate the following scenarios and identify which would likely result in osmosis. (Select all that apply)**

*Hint: Think about situations where water movement is likely.*

- A) A red blood cell in pure water.
- B) A plant cell in a concentrated sugar solution.
- C) A fish in a freshwater tank.
- D) A human cell in an isotonic saline solution.

**Design an experiment to test the effects of temperature on the rate of osmosis in plant cells. Include your hypothesis, materials, and procedure.**

*Hint: Consider how you would structure your experiment.*