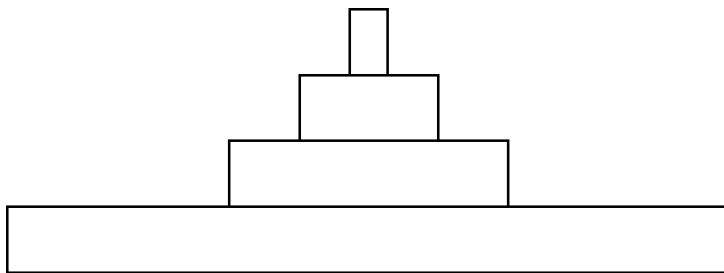


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 - Explain how chemiosmosis produces ATP.
 - Describe TWO specific cell processes that require ATP and explain how ATP is used in each process.
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3. Phylogeny is the evolutionary history of a species.
- The evolution of a species is dependent on changes in the genome of the species. Identify TWO mechanisms of genetic change, and explain how each affects genetic variation.
 - Based on the data in the table below, draw a phylogenetic tree that reflects the evolutionary relationships of the organisms based on the differences in their cytochrome *c* amino-acid sequences and explain the relationships of the organisms. Based on the data, identify which organism is most closely related to the chicken and explain your choice.
 - Describe TWO types of evidence—other than the comparison of proteins—that can be used to determine the phylogeny of organisms. Discuss one strength of each type of evidence you described.

THE NUMBER OF AMINO ACID DIFFERENCES IN CYTOCHROME *c* AMONG VARIOUS ORGANISMS

	Horse	Donkey	Chicken	Penguin	Snake
Horse	0	1	11	13	21
Donkey		0	10	12	20
Chicken			0	3	18
Penguin				0	17
Snake					0

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Question 2

ATP and GTP are primary sources of energy for biochemical reactions.

(a) **Describe** the structure of the ATP or the GTP molecule. **(1 point each; 2 points maximum)**

- Adenosine + 3 phosphates or guanosine + 3 phosphates.
- Elaborating on the phosphate bonds, e.g., unstable, negatively charged.
Mentioning without explaining “high-energy bonds” is insufficient.
- Adenosine or guanosine described as adenine or guanine bound to ribose.

Note: adenine + ribose + 3 phosphates earns 2 points.

(b) **Explain** how chemiosmosis produces ATP. **(1 point each; 3 points maximum)**

- Electron transport, e.g., linked to proton pumps, coenzymes, NADH.
- H⁺ pumped to one side of the membrane, photosynthesis—inside thylakoid, respiration—outside cristae.
- Proton gradient established, has potential energy or capacity to do work.
- ATP synthases or channel proteins generate ATP.

(c) **Describe** TWO specific cell processes that require ATP and explain how ATP is used in each process. **(4 points maximum)**

	Description of process (1 point per process; 2 points maximum)	How ATP is used (1 point per process; 2 points maximum)
Mechanical	Muscle, sliding filament; cilia or flagella, propulsion; chromosome movement in mitosis or meiosis	ATP → ADP + P connected to process or energy coupling, e.g., conformational change in myosin head
Transport	Active transport or transport against gradient; sodium-potassium pump; endocytosis or exocytosis	ATP → ADP + P connected to process, e.g., phosphorylating the transport protein
Chemical	Hydrolysis or synthesis; specific chemical reaction, e.g., photosynthesis or glycolysis; kinase activity	ATP → ADP + P connected to process or energy coupling, e.g., phosphorylating glucose in glycolysis or PGA in Calvin cycle

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Question 2 (continued)

- (d) An energy pyramid for a marine ecosystem is shown below. **Label** each trophic level of the pyramid and provide an example of a marine organism found at each level of this pyramid. **Explain** why the energy available at the top layer of the pyramid is a small percentage of the energy present at the bottom of the pyramid. **(3 points maximum)**

	Explanation (1 point per box; 3 points maximum)
Label trophic levels	Producer or autotroph → 1° consumer or herbivore → 2° consumer or carnivore → 3° consumer; no point for mentioning detritivores or decomposers
Examples of <u>marine</u> organisms	Algae → zooplankton → small fish → shark Type of plankton must be specified if used above producer level; “fish” can be used <u>once</u> if unspecified; top level may include terrestrial organisms
Energy transfer	Energy transferred due to metabolic activities, heat, work, entropy Mentioning without explaining 10% energy transfer between trophic levels is insufficient

Note: Students must receive points in all four sections to earn a score of 10.