

# Components of Activity

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## Biology 16 & Biology 17

**WHAT THIS ACTIVITY IS ABOUT:** This activity is about cross-cutting concepts in science.

*Crosscutting Concepts represent common themes that span across science disciplines. These concepts identify universal properties and processes found in all the science disciplines.*

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

**1. Briefly scan through each paragraph before starting.**

**2. Carefully read the 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph. Underline and/or circle key ideas and words.**

*Circle either YES or NO for each of the cross-cutting concepts on that page that apply.*

**3. Carefully read the 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph. Underline and/or circle key ideas and words.**

*Circle either YES or NO for each of the cross-cutting concepts on that page that apply*

**4. Return to the 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph. Write a brief response for each cross cutting concept marked YES.**

*At bottom of page, circle the number of the cross-cutting concept which BEST fits the paragraph.*

**5. Return to the 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph. Write a brief response for each cross cutting concept marked YES.**

*At bottom of page, circle the number of the cross-cutting concept which BEST fits the paragraph.*

**6. At the bottom of each page, describe WHY you selected that cross-cutting concept as the BEST fit.**

**7. Complete a VENN diagram on the back page for the two topic paragraphs.**

**8. Write a 50 word essay. Summarizing your discoveries, ideas, and conclusions about the paragraphs.**

## Biology 16 Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic Cells

Prokaryotes are unicellular organisms that lack organelles or other internal membrane-bound structures. Prokaryotic cells preceded eukaryotic cells on the evolutionary timeline. Eukaryotes are organisms whose cells have a nucleus enclosed within membranes. Does this paragraph mention, describe, imply, refer to, or convey:

1. (YES) (NO) any **patterns?**  
*in what way >>* \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. (YES) (NO) any **cause and effect?**  
*in what way >>* \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. (YES) (NO) a **quantity, numeric scale, or proportion?**  
*in what way >>* \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. (YES) (NO) a **system, or organized structure?**  
*in what way >>* \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. (YES) (NO) about **energy or matter?** (*Especially flows, cycles, and conservation*)?  
*in what way >>* \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. (YES) (NO) the **structure or function** of something?  
*in what way >>* \_\_\_\_\_  
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7. (YES) (NO) concepts of **stability and/or change?**  
*in what way >>* \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Circle the number which BEST represents the paragraph?** (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7).

*Why did you choose this number? >>* \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Biology 17 Mitosis and Cytokinesis

Mitosis is a type of cell division that results in two daughter cells each having the same number and kind of chromosomes as the parent nucleus, typical of ordinary tissue growth. Cytokinesis is the cytoplasmic division of a cell at the end of mitosis, bringing about the separation into two daughter cells. Does this paragraph mention, describe, imply, refer to, or convey:

1. (YES) (NO) any **patterns?**  
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2. (YES) (NO) any **cause and effect?**  
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