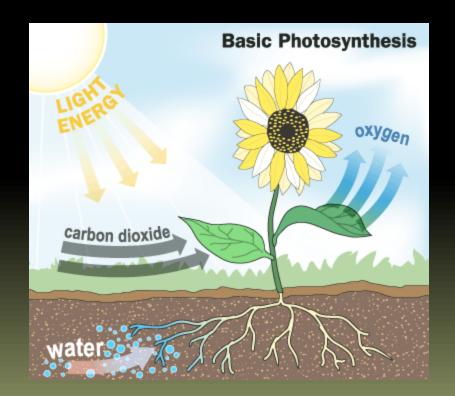


PHOTOSYNTHESIS

Photosynthesis

Photosynthesis is the process in which plants use water, carbon dioxide, and light energy to create sugar and oxygen.



The Chemical Formula of Photosynthesis

$$6CO_2 + 6H_2O \rightarrow C_6H_{12}O_6 + 6O_2$$

6 carbon dioxide molecules + 6 water molecules in the presence of light energy produce 1 glucose (sugar) molecule and 6 oxygen molecules.

Where does photosynthesis occur?

- Photosynthesis occurs within the green parts of plants.
 - Only plants can perform photosynthesis.
 - It occurs within the <u>chloroplasts</u> in plant cells.



Why is Photosynthesis so important?

- 1. It provides the <u>oxygen</u> we breath.
- 2. It removes much of the <u>carbon dioxide</u> from the atmosphere.
- 3. It produces food.
- 4. It creates usable <u>energy</u>.
- 5. There would be no <u>life</u> without it.

