

CHAPTER 6

LIFE PROCESSES

ASSIGNMENT -1

IN TEXT QUESTIONS (Page-95)

Write these Qs./Ans in your notebook(or loose sheets of paper)

Question 1:

Why is diffusion insufficient to meet the oxygen requirements of multicellular organisms like humans?

Answer 1:

In multi-cellular organisms, all the cells may not be in direct contact with the surrounding environment. Thus, simple diffusion will not meet the requirements of all the cells.

Question 2:

What criteria do we use to decide whether something is alive?

Answer 2:

Any visible movement such as walking, breathing, or growing is generally used to decide whether something is alive or not. However, a living organism can also have movements, which are not visible to the naked eye. Therefore, the presence of molecular movement inside the organisms used to decide whether something is alive or not.

Question 3:

What are outside raw materials used for by an organism?

Answer 3:

An organism uses outside raw materials mostly in the form of food (Since life on earth depends on carbon based molecules, most of these food sources are also carbon-based) and oxygen. The raw materials required by an organism can be quite varied depending on the complexity of the organism and its environment.

Question 4:

What processes would you consider essential for maintaining life?

Answer 4:

Life processes such as nutrition, respiration, transportation, excretion, etc. are essential for maintaining life.