

# What's My Purpose in This Life?

Introduction to Cells / Cell Theory

6th Grade Science



## **Essential Questions**

- Why are organelles important to cells?
- Why are cells called "the building blocks of life?"



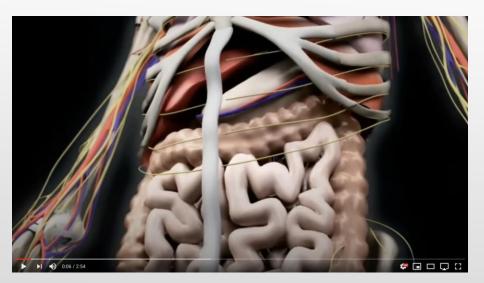
# Objectives

#### Students will be able to:

- Identify the structure and function of various cell organelles.
- Differentiate between plant and animal cells.
- List the 3 principles of the Cell Theory.



#### Let's Get Started







### Say What?!

- What did you notice as the ingredients went from pizza dough to the finished pizza?
- Can you think of examples of everyday things that also have ordered steps?
- Challenge: Why do you think I showed both a video about cells and making pizzas?



#### You are the Assembly Line

- Goal: As a group, make as many "Hershey's Kisses" as you can in 5 minutes.
- Gather up supplies (marbles, foil, ribbon/yarn, scissors) before beginning.
- On your marks, get set, go!

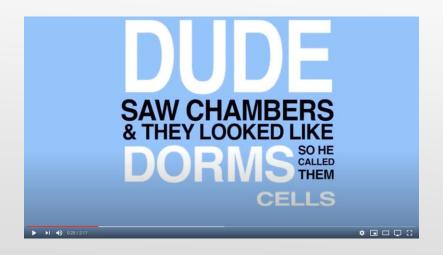


#### How did it go?

On the left side of your H-Chart, reflect by writing how your role/job/task went when constructing the Hershey's Kisses.



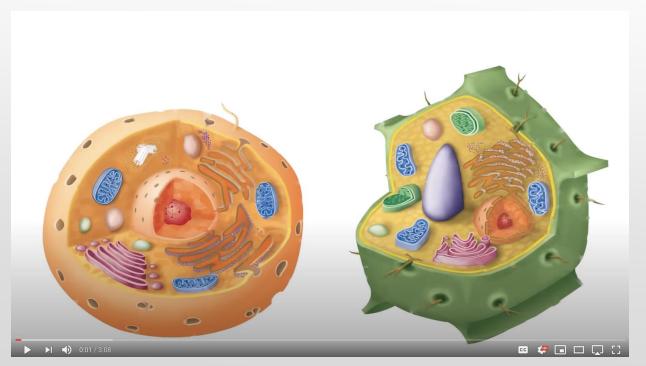
### Cell Theory



- 1. Cells are the basic unit of life.
- 2. All living things are made of cells.
- 3. Cells come from preexisting cells.



### Who's who among organelles?





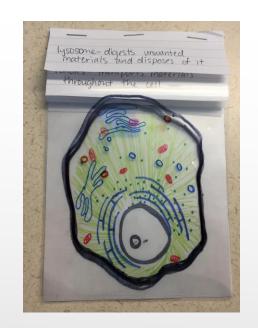
#### **H-Chart Revisited**

- On the right side of your H-Chart, write down things you learned, or remembered, from the organelle rap.
- Now, compare the left and right sides of your H-Chart and figure out how they are similar. Write your answer(s) in the middle part of the "H."



#### Create a Cell-fie

- Create a flipbook by sketching organelles and saying what their job is.
- Include the 10 most wanted organelles: nucleus, mitochondria, cell membrane, ER, ribosome, lysosome, golgi body, cytoplasm, vacuole, and DNA.
- Include your text on top of each layer.
- Last page: draw and label a plant cell. Show all 10 organelles, the cell wall, and chloroplast(s).





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- Mix and mingle! Goal: find out which organelle you are.
- Ask one question only and then move on to another person to ask another question. Repeat.

Good question example: Am I found in a plant cell?

Bad question example: Am I a ribosome?

