

## Cell Theory and the plasma membrane

### Read Chapter 3.1-3.2

#### Fill in the blanks

1. Most human cells are between \_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ micrometers in diameter.
2. The largest human cell is the \_\_\_\_\_ and the smallest human cell is the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Some cell can have special features such as microvilli that increase \_\_\_\_\_ so that substances can still easily diffuse to all parts of the cell.
4. The following are features of Cell Theory:
  - a. All living things are composed of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Cells are the \_\_\_\_\_ single unit that survive independently.
  - c. All cells come from \_\_\_\_\_.
  - d. All cells contain \_\_\_\_\_ as the genetic material.
  - e. All cells are either prokaryotic or \_\_\_\_\_ and are composed of basically the same types of macromolecules.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ are not considered living organisms because they are not composed of cells.
6. All cell membranes are composed of \_\_\_\_\_ arranged in a \_\_\_\_\_.
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ of a phospholipid is hydrophilic and the \_\_\_\_\_ are hydrophobic.
8. The bilayer is arranged so that the \_\_\_\_\_ face inwards and the \_\_\_\_\_ face outward.
9. The phospholipid tails are composed of \_\_\_\_\_ fatty acids.
10. Hydrophobic molecules contain \_\_\_\_\_ bonds.
11. Hydrophilic molecules contain \_\_\_\_\_ bonds.
12. A molecule, like a phospholipid that contains both hydrophilic and hydrophobic regions is called \_\_\_\_\_.
13. Cell membranes contain many different molecules including fats and proteins, and it is fluid like oil, therefore it is referred to as the \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Another important type of fat found in cell membranes is \_\_\_\_\_ and it is important for increasing the \_\_\_\_\_ of the membrane.
15. Some of the most common types of proteins found in plasma membranes include:
  - a. Proteins that bind to regulatory molecules such as hormones \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Glycoproteins that act like cell markers \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Proteins that act as catalysts for chemical reactions \_\_\_\_\_

- d. Proteins that allow ions to move into or out of the cell \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Proteins that allow substances such as nutrients to move into or out of the cell  
\_\_\_\_\_
- f. Proteins that play an important role in cellular interactions such as holding cells  
together \_\_\_\_\_
- g. Proteins that allow cells to directly communicate via small molecules that move  
between them \_\_\_\_\_