KEY CONCEPT

Cells have distinct phases of growth, reproduction, and normal functions.
The cell cycle has four main stages.

- The cell cycle is a regular pattern of growth, DNA replication, and cell division.
5.1 The Cell Cycle

- The main stages of the cell cycle are gap 1, synthesis, gap 2, and mitosis.
  - Gap 1 ($G_1$): cell growth and normal functions
  - DNA synthesis (S): copies DNA
  - Gap 2 ($G_2$): additional growth
  - Mitosis (M): includes division of the cell nucleus (mitosis) and division of the cell cytoplasm (cytokinesis)
- Mitosis occurs only if the cell is large enough and the DNA undamaged.
Cells divide at different rates.

- The rate of cell division varies with the need for those types of cells.

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<th>APPROXIMATE LIFE SPAN</th>
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<td>Skin cell</td>
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<td>Red blood cell</td>
<td>4 months</td>
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<td>Liver cell</td>
<td>300–500 days</td>
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<td>Intestine—internal lining</td>
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<td>Intestine—muscle and other tissues</td>
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- Some cells are unlikely to divide ($G_0$).
Cell size is limited.

- Volume increases faster than surface area.

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<td>Surface area (length × width × number of sides)</td>
<td>6</td>
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<td>Volume (length × width × height)</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>27</td>
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<td>Ratio of surface area to volume</td>
<td>$\frac{6}{1} = 6:1$</td>
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5.1 The Cell Cycle

- Surface area must allow for adequate exchange of materials.
  - Cell growth is coordinated with division.
  - Cells that must be large have unique shapes.
5.2 Mitosis and Cytokinesis

KEY CONCEPT
Cells divide during mitosis and cytokinesis.
5.2 Mitosis and Cytokinesis

- Chromosomes condense at the start of mitosis.
- DNA wraps around proteins (histones) that condense it.
5.2 Mitosis and Cytokinesis

- DNA plus proteins is called chromatin.
- One half of a duplicated chromosome is a chromatid.
- Sister chromatids are held together at the centromere.
- Telomeres protect DNA and do not include genes.
Mitosis and cytokinesis produce two genetically identical daughter cells.

- Interphase prepares the cell to divide.
- During interphase, the DNA is duplicated.
5.2 Mitosis and Cytokinesis

- Mitosis divides the cell’s nucleus in four phases.
  - During prophase, chromosomes condense and spindle fibers form.
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- Mitosis divides the cell’s nucleus in four phases.
  - During metaphase, chromosomes line up in the middle of the cell.

![Mitosis Diagram](image)
5.2 Mitosis and Cytokinesis

- Mitosis divides the cell’s nucleus in four phases.
  - During anaphase, sister chromatids separate to opposite sides of the cell.
5.2 Mitosis and Cytokinesis

- Mitosis divides the cell’s nucleus in four phases.
  - During telophase, the new nuclei form and chromosomes begin to uncoil.
Cytokinesis differs in animal and plant cells.
- In animal cells, the membrane pinches closed.
- In plant cells, a cell plate forms.
5.3 Regulation of the Cell Cycle

**KEY CONCEPT**

Cell cycle regulation is necessary for healthy growth.
5.3 Regulation of the Cell Cycle

Internal and external factors regulate cell division.

- External factors include physical and chemical signals.
- Growth factors are proteins that stimulate cell division.
  - Most mammal cells form a single layer in a culture dish and stop dividing once they touch other cells.
5.3 Regulation of the Cell Cycle

- Two of the most important internal factors are kinases and cyclins.

- External factors trigger internal factors, which affect the cell cycle.
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• Apoptosis is programmed cell death.
  – a normal feature of healthy organisms
  – caused by a cell’s production of self-destructive enzymes
  – occurs in development of infants
5.3 Regulation of the Cell Cycle

Cell division is uncontrolled in cancer.

- Cancer cells form disorganized clumps called tumors.
  - Benign tumors remain clustered and can be removed.
  - Malignant tumors metastasize, or break away, and can form more tumors.

![Diagram showing normal cell, cancer cell, and blood stream](image-url)
5.3 Regulation of the Cell Cycle

- Cancer cells do not carry out necessary functions.
- Cancer cells come from normal cells with damage to genes involved in cell-cycle regulation.
5.3 Regulation of the Cell Cycle

- Carcinogens are substances known to promote cancer.
- Standard cancer treatments typically kill both cancerous and healthy cells.
5.4 Asexual Reproduction

**KEY CONCEPT**
Many organisms reproduce by cell division.
5.4 Asexual Reproduction

- **Binary fission is similar in function to mitosis.**
  - Asexual reproduction is the creation of offspring from a single parent.
    - Binary fission produces two daughter cells genetically identical to the parent cell.
    - Binary fission occurs in prokaryotes.
5.4 Asexual Reproduction

- Environment determines what form of reproduction is most advantageous.
  - Asexual reproduction is an advantage in consistently favorable conditions.
  - Sexual reproduction is an advantage in changing conditions.
5.4 Asexual Reproduction

Some eukaryotes reproduce through mitosis.

- Budding forms a new organism from a small projection growing on the surface of the parent.
5.4 Asexual Reproduction

- Fragmentation is the splitting of the parent into pieces that each grow into a new organism.

- Vegetative reproduction forms a new plant from the modification of a stem or underground structure on the parent plant.
5.5 Multicellular Life

KEY CONCEPT

Cells work together to carry out complex functions.
5.5 Multicellular Life

Multicellular organisms depend on interactions among different cell types.

- Tissues are groups of cells that perform a similar function.
- Organs are groups of tissues that perform a specific or related function.
- Organ systems are groups of organs that carry out similar functions.
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- **Specialized cells perform specific functions.**
  - Cells develop into their mature forms through the process of cell differentiation.
  - Cells differ because different combinations of genes are expressed.
  - A cell’s location in an embryo helps determine how it will differentiate.

Outer: skin cells  
Middle: bone cells  
Inner: intestines
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**Stem cells are unique body cells.**

- Stem cells have the ability to
  - divide and renew themselves
  - remain undifferentiated in form
  - develop into a variety of specialized cell types
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- Stem cells are classified into three types.
  - totipotent, or growing into any other cell type
  - pluripotent, or growing into any cell type but a totipotent cell
  - multipotent, or growing into cells of a closely related cell family

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<td>fertilized egg</td>
<td>embryonic stem cell</td>
<td>adult stem cell (example from blood)</td>
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<td>Can give rise to</td>
<td>all cells</td>
<td>almost any cell</td>
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<td>new organism</td>
<td>neurons, skin, muscle, kidney, cartilage, bone, liver, pancreas</td>
<td>red blood cells, platelets, white blood cells</td>
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- Stem cells come from adults and embryos.
  - Adult stem cells can be hard to isolate and grow.
  - The use of adult stem cells may prevent transplant rejection.
  - The use of embryonic stem cells raises ethical issues.
  - Embryonic stem cells are pluripotent and can be grown indefinitely in culture.

First, an egg is fertilized by a sperm cell in a petri dish. The egg divides, forming an inner cell mass. These cells are then removed and grown with nutrients. Scientists try to control how the cells specialize by adding or removing certain molecules.
The use of stem cells offers many currently realized and potential benefits.

- Stem cells are used to treat leukemia and lymphoma.
- Stem cells may cure disease or replace damaged organs.
- Stem cells may revolutionize the drug development process.