**Cell Processes and Energy** 
Guided Reading and Study

## Chemical Compounds in Cells

This section identifies the basic building blocks of cells. It also explains the importance of water to cells.

## **Use Target Reading Skills**

As you read, compare and contrast carbohydrates, proteins, and lipids in the table below.

Type of Compound	Elements	Functions
Carbohydrate	Carbon, hydrogen, oxygen	
Protein		
Lipid		

# **GRS 3.1**

## **Elements and Compounds**

- A(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_ is any substance that cannot be broken down into simpler substances. Its smallest unit is the\_\_\_\_\_.
- When two or more elements combine chemically, they form a(n)
   . Its smallest unit is usually called a(n)
- 3. Most chemical reactions within cells could not take place without \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .
- 4. Complete this concept map on organic compounds.



5. Compounds that do not contain carbon are called \_\_\_\_\_

#### Carbohydrates

- 6. A carbohydrate is made of carbon, hydrogen, and
- 7. Starch is a kind of carbohydrate. What foods have starch?

8. How do cells use carbohydrates?

## Lipids

9. What are three examples of lipids?

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- С.\_\_\_\_\_

10. How are lipids like carbohydrates?

**11.** Cells store \_\_\_\_\_\_ in lipids to use later.

## **Proteins**

12. \_\_\_\_\_ form parts of cell membranes and

many of the cell's organelles.

13. What small molecules make up proteins?

14. What do enzymes do?

## **Nucleic Acids**

- **15.** Very long organic molecules that contain instructions that cells need to function are called \_\_\_\_\_\_ .
- **16.** Is the following sentence true or false? Cells use the instructions in nucleic acids to carry out all life functions.
- **17.** List the two kinds of nucleic acids.
- a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_