Sample Lesson #1

Photosynthesis

Unlike animals, plants can make their own food. The food that plants make is sugar. The sugar is made by a process called **photosynthesis**. Sugar is created in the green parts of a plant. **Chlorophyll** is the green substance inside leaves. Chlorophyll absorbs sunlight.

Sunlight provides the energy for photosynthesis to happen.



Plants take a gas called carbon dioxide from the air; they pull water up through their roots, and use sunlight to make sugar. This sugar provides the energy that plants need for growth and health. Plants give off oxygen as a byproduct. The plant uses the sugar for energy. Plants use some of this energy right away and the rest is stored in the leaves, stem, and seeds for later use. The equation for photosynthesis is:

carbon dioxide + water ightarrow sugar + oxygen

- 1. Where do plants store the food that they make?
- 2. What do plants absorb through their root system?
- 3. Write the formula for photosynthesis on the line.

What is the gas that plants give off during photosynthesis? 4. The giraffe is warm-blooded. It is a mammal; it is very tall. 5. These are all of the giraffe. characteristics parts sizes When birds fly south for the winter, what are they doing? 6. hibernating migrating hiding growing The plant kingdom is divided into two groups. Underline them. 7. fungi vascular nonvascular moss mushroom Which step of the scientific method comes right after 8. **Observe and Ask Questions**? 9. An anemometer measures wind

direction speed temperature

10. Write \top if the statement is *true* or F if it is *false*.

Wind is an example of a living thing.