

Where is DNA found within the cell?

Quick Question #1

Lets refresh our knowledge of DNA structure

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZGHkHMoyC5I



Quick Question #2

What occurs during the cell cycle?

WHAT IS DNA REPLICATION?

- Copying of DNA
- An extremely precise process
- Copies in sections, not from one end to the other
- Basis of biological inheritance



REPLICATION PROCESS

Three step process

- Each step controlled by one of three enzymes (enzymes always end in –ase so look out for them in these notes)
- Directional: always starts at a 5' end of the new DNA strands and builds onto the 3' end:
 - Copies both strands simultaneously starting at the replication fork.



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What do you think needs to happen in order for replication to start

Quick Question #3

REPLICATION: **STEP ONE** FACILITATED BY: **HELICASE**

Helicase enzyme unwinds and unzips DNA strands

breaks hydrogen bonds

QQ#4 What do you think occurs to allow the DNA to "unzip"?

REPLICATION: **STEP TWO** FACILITATED BY: **DNA POLYMERASE**

DNA Polymerase enzyme:

- reads a base on one side
- Then adds a new nucleotide with a complementary (matching) base to the new side
- Creates the new strand by creating a covalent bond between sugar and phosphate along the new backbone



STEP 2 CONTINUED

- Both sides replicated to create two new strands of DNA each with:
 - One original and One new strand





- Strands are replicated from 5' to 3' and go in opposite directions
- One side is replicated in a continuous piece: Leading Strand
 - Other side is replicated in short pieces:
 - Lagging Strand
 - Okazaki Fragments

REPLICATION: **STEP THREE** FACILITATED BY: **LIGASE**

Ligase enzyme

- Glues (ties) DNA all together
- Very important for Okazaki
 Fragments-closes any gaps
 between them



Draw a visual that helps YOU remember the 3 steps of replication

Quick Question #5

OVERALL PROCESS OF REPLICATION http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=teV62zrm2P0

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hyl2mYfbbxk

