Chapter 2 – Plant **Structures and Functions** Lesson 3 – **Photosynthesis &** Respiration

What do leaves do?

- A leaf makes food (sugar) for the plant.
- To make food, a leaf needs <u>two</u> things:

1. water

2. carbon dioxide

What do leaves do? A leaf gets <u>water</u> through veins (narrow tubes containing xylem). A leaf gets <u>carbon dioxide</u> (CO₂) through stomata (tiny holes in the bottom of the leaf).

Food Making

 Plants make food through a process called

photosynthesis.

 The process takes place in chloroplasts, which are just below the epidemis (outer layer of the leaf).

Food Making The Photosynthesis Equation: Carbon dioxide + water + sunlight = sugar and oxygen

What is the photosynthesis and respiration cycle? **1.** In photosynthesis, plants release oxygen. 2. Animals take in oxygen and release carbon dioxide. 3. Plants take in the carbon dioxide, and the cycle starts over.

What is the photosynthesis and respiration cycle? When animals breathe in oxygen, it releases, or unlocks, the energy stored in food. This is called respiration.

What is the photosynthesis and respiration cycle?

Photosynthesis and Respiration Video

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