





BIOLOGY Worksheet LW7 - PHOSPHOLIPID WORKSHEET	
Q1)	
a) Which of these statements about phospholipids is incorrect?	
A Phospholipids are a class of lipid	
B They regulate what can come in/ leave the cell	
C Phospholipids have 3 fatty acid chains	
D They form the main structure of cell membranes	
	[1 mark]
b) What is the main property of the phospholipid 'head'?	[1 mark]
c) Label the groups in the phospholipid diagram below:	[1 mark]
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Phospholipid diagram from Lipid Maps - https://www.lipidmaps.org/data/LMSDRecord.php?LMID=LMGP01010001	
Q2) Fatty acids can be either saturated or unsaturated.	[3 marks]
a) What is meant by the terms saturated and unsaturated?	
b) Draw a fatty acid (including 'R' group)	[2 marks]
c) What does the 'R group' represent in a fatty acid?	[1 mark]
Q3)	[1 mark]
a) Explain why glycerol is soluble in water.	
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[2 marks]







- **b)** Which of these statements about glycerol is incorrect?
 - A Glycerol contains 3 hydroxyl groups
 B It is generally hydrophobic
 C Glycerol is an organic molecule
 D Is soluble in aqueous solutions

[1 mark]

[2 marks]

- Q4) Phospholipids are described as being both hydrophobic and hydrophilic.
- a) What is meant by the terms hydrophobic and hydrophilic?
- [2 marks]b) Draw and label the hydrophobic and hydrophilic regions of a phospholipid.



- c) Explain why the 'tails' of phospholipids face inwards in the phospholipid bilayer?
- Q5) Phospholipids are essential in cell membranes as they form the phospholipid bilayer.
- a) Describe how phospholipids can form the phospholipid bilayer.
- b) Which of the following statements is correct?
 A Phospholipids are amphipathic molecules
 B Phospholipid 'heads' face inwards in a phospholipid bilayer
 C Phospholipids make the cell membrane more rigid
 D The phosphate group in phospholipids in positively charged
 C I mark]

[4 marks]

[TOTAL 25 MARKS]