Chapter 5 – Microbial Metabolism

- 1. Distinguish among metabolism, catabolism, and anabolism.
 - Metabolism refers to all chemical reactions that occur within a living organism.
 - **Catabolism** refers to degradative reactions that release energy (exothermic) by breaking down large molecules into smaller ones.
 - **Anabolism** refers to biosynthetic reactions that build large complex molecules from simpler ones. Require energy (endothermic) and often needed for growth and reproduction.
- 2. Contrast oxidation and reduction reactions.
 - **OIL RIG**: oxidation involves loss, reduction involves gain.
 - Can be oxidized in three ways: losing electrons, hydrogen atom, or gain of oxygen atom.

3. Compare and contrast the three types of ATP phosphorylation.

- **Substrate-level phosphorylation** involves the transfer of phosphate to ADP from another phosphorylated organic compound.
- **Oxidative phosphorylation** involves using redox reactions to attach inorganic phosphate to ADP.

and an example of each.

Photophosphorylation is using light energy to phosphorylate ADP with inpression phosphate.

4. Make a table listing the six basic types of encype



5. Describe the components of holoenzyme, and contrast protein and RNA enzymes.

- A combination of the protein, **apoenzyme**, and a cofactor form a full active **holoenzyme**.
 - RNA enzymes, or **ribozymes**, are not made of protein but instead RNA. They remove/splice RNA.

6. Define activation energy, enzyme, apoenzyme, cofactor, coenzyme, active site, and substrate.

- Apoenzyme = a proteinaceous portion of an enzyme that is not active on its own
- **Cofactors** = a 'key' of sorts that activates the function of apoenzymes.
 - \circ Can be inorganic (Fe, Mg, Zn) or organic (aka coenzymes)
- The shape of the enzyme's functional site, **the active site**, is complementary to shape of the substrate.

7. Describe how temperature, pH, substrate concentration, and competitive and non-competitive inhibition.

• If **temperature** is too high or too low, active site alters shape causing 'fit' issues.



