

The figure above represents a generalized hormone-signaling pathway. Briefly **explain** the role of each numbered step in regulating target gene expression.

Please respond on separate paper, following directions from your teacher.

Explanation

3 points are earned maximum

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- 2. A student conducted an experiment to determine the molar concentration of solutes in chicken eggs. Eggs were soaked in vinegar to remove the shells. The eggs were then placed in sucrose solutions of different concentrations. The data are shown in the table below.

Sucrose Concentration (molar)	Initial Mass (g)	Final Mass (g)	Change in Mass (g)	Percent Change in Mass
0	78.50	81.73	3.23	4.11
0.5	79.11	77.50	-1.61	-2.04
1.0	80.75	75.14	-5.61	-7.12
2.0	76.99	66.64	-10.35	-13.44

- a. Using the most appropriate data, **construct** a labeled graph on the axes provided below to best illustrate water movement into and out of the egg. **Explain** why there is a difference in percent of mass change of the eggs in the different sucrose solutions.
- b. Using the data, **determine** the molar concentration of chicken egg cytoplasm and **justify** your answer.
- c. Movement of water and nutrients is critical for the survival of plants. Using the concept of water potential, **explain** the role of positive and negative pressure in the transport of water and nutrients throughout a vascular plant.





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Part A

6 points are earned maximum

Graph (4 points maximum)

- 1— Title, labels of axes (X must be molar concentration, Y may be change in mass or % change in mass)
- 1— Appropriate data selected (molar concentration vs. % change in mass)
- 1— Axis and data correctly scaled
- 1- Line graph correctly plotted according to data selected (X and Y axis positions are correct)

Explanation (2 points maximum)



1— Egg gains mass if solute concentration is lower outside of egg (hypotonic) causing water to move into egg

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Part C

1 point is earned per bullet; 4 points are earned maximum

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1— Water potential has 2 components, solute and pressure ($\Psi = \Psi p + \Psi s$)

Transpirational movement of water and mineral nutrients

1—Loss of water from leaves to the atmosphere due to lower water potential of the air (transpiration)

1—Because of the cohesive property of water, water loss from leaves pulls replacement water molecules up from the xylem/soil

1—Water in the xylem is under tension because of lower water potential of the air (negative pressure)

Guttation

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General



3 point(s) maximum

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Explanation (2 points maximum)

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Student response earns 3 of the following 3 points

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