Chapter 4 The chemicals of life

Test yourself questions

1 What term is used to describe all of the chemical reactions that take place in living organisms?

2 Which reagent is used to test for reducing sugars?

3 Which nutrients can provide the body with energy?

4 A food sample turned blue-black when tested with iodine solution, and purple when tested with biuret reagent. Which nutrients did it contain?

5 What is the name of the smaller molecules that join together in long chains to form protein molecules?

6 Which nutrient helps to make haemoglobin, which transports oxygen in the blood?

7 What are the smaller molecules from which a fat molecule is made?

8 What is the name of the polysaccharide that is used for the storage of energy in a human liver?

9 Which element is found in all proteins, but not in carbohydrates or fats?

10 In what form is carbohydrate transported in human blood?