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- Internal intercostal muscle
- External intercostal muscle
- Rib cage
- Diaphragm
- Volume of thoracic cavity
- Air pressure in alveoli
- Air moves in @ out

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• Inspiration

Inspiration is initiated by the contraction of diaphragm which increases the volume of thoracic chamber in the antero-posterior axis. The contraction of external inter-costal muscles lifts up the ribs and the sternum causing an increase in the volume of the thoracic chamber in the dorso-ventral axis. The overall increase in the thoracic volume causes a similar increase in pulmonary volume. An increase in pulmonary volume decreases the intrapulmonary pressure to less than the atmospheric pressure which forces the air from outside to move into the lungs, i.e., inspiration.

• Expiration

• Relaxation of the diaphragm and the inter-costal muscles returns the diaphragm and sternum to their normal positions and reduce the thoracic volume and thereby the pulmonary volume. This leads to an increase in intra-pulmonary pressure to slightly above the atmospheric pressure causing the expulsion of air from the lungs, i.e., expiration.







The diaphragm functions in breathing







EXHALATION

Internal intercostal muscle contract External intercostal muscle relaxed Rib cage moves downwards & inwards Diaphragm relaxes Volume of thorax cavity decrease Pressure in alveoli increase Air moves out

Cellular Respiration

CELL RESPIRATION



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Aerobic Respiration





GLYCOLYSIS

- Glycolysis occurs without the use of oxygen
- Occurs in the cytoplasm
- One glucose molecule is converted into two pyruvate molecules.
- 2 ATP molecules are used but 4 ATP are produced, so there is a net yield of 2 ATP.
- 2 NAD⁺ are converted into 2 NADH + H⁺



ANAEROBIC RESPIRATION

- Location: in the cytosol of the cell
- Energy yield:

a **small** yield of ATP (only the **2** ATP molecules from glycolysis)

- Oxygen requirement: oxygen absent
- Results in:
 - lactic acid (animal cells)
 - ethanol + CO₂ (plant cells = fermentation)



S. No.	Aerobic respiration	Anaerobic respiration
1.	It takes place in presence of oxygen.	It does not require oxyg en.
2.	It always releases carbon dioxide.	It may or may not release carbon dioxide.
3.	It provides much more energy (38 ATP molecules).	It provides less energy (just 2 ATP molecule).
4.	It occurs both in cytoplasm (glycolysis) & in the mitochondria (Kreb's cycle & electron transport chain).	It takes place in the cytoplasm, certain tissues and cells of higher animals.
5.	Examples - In most plants and animals.	Examples – In anaerobic bacteria, yeasts, muscles and parasitic worms like, <i>Ascanis, Fasciola, Taenia</i> and germinating seeds.