which is better at cleaning -Hand Sanitizer versus Hand washing???





GERM EXPERIMENT: HAND WASH VS SANITIZER

- 1. Smear hands on bread.
- 2. Stick bread in bag.
- 3. Seal bag.
- 4. Make sure you sealed bag.
- 5. Really make sure you sealed bag.
- 6. Label bag: BEFORE
- 7. Either wash your hands or use hand sanitizer depending on what you hypothesized would work best.
- 8. Repeat steps 1-5
- 9. Label bag: AFTER SANITIZER OR WASH (pick which one you used)

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Sleeping Sickness, amoebic dysentery, and		Sleeping Sickness, amoebic dysentery, and	
Bacteria help you foo	d, like plants, that your body	Bacteria help you	_ food, like plants, that your body
can't break down. You have as many	cells in your	can't break down. You have as many	y cells in your
body as cells. Bacteria are also useful as		body as cells. Bacteria are also useful as	
Of the	types of bacteria that people	Of the	types of bacteria that people
come in contact with on a daily basis, only about 1-2 % are potentially come		come in contact with on a daily basis, only about 1-2 % are potentially	
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Some viruses can even kill us; such as HIV/AIDS, smallpox, and		Some viruses can even kill us; such as HIV/AIDS, smallpox, and	
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WHAT ARE GERMS?

The term "germs" refers to microscopic organisms that can make you sick. Germs can also be called pathogens. There are four main categories of germs/pathogens: bacteria, viruses, protozoans, and fungi. Many bacteria, protozoans, and fungi are harmless or actually helpful.

FUNGI

A fungus is a simple organism that is neither a plant nor an animal. Some familiar fungi are mushrooms, molds, mildews, truffles, and yeasts. Fungi cause three different types of human illness: poisonings, parasitic infections, and allergies. Athlete's foot, yeast infections, and ringworm are common ailments caused by fungi.



Protozoa

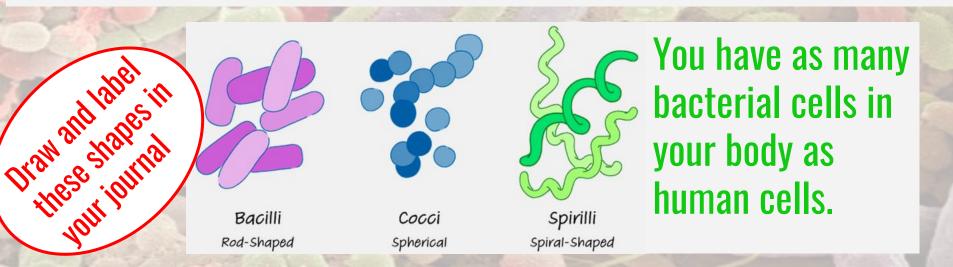
Protozoa are one-celled animals found worldwide in most habitats. Infections usually occur via an insect bite (mosquito) or contact with a contaminated surface. Protozoan infections range from asymptomatic to life threatening. Many of the most wide-ranging and deadly human diseases are caused by a protozoan infection, including African Sleeping Sickness, amoebic dysentery, and malaria.

Malaria Also called: plasmodium infection ABOUT SYMPTOMS TREATMENTS Fever Chills Plasmodium Infected parasite blood cell Spread by mosquitoes Source

BACTERIA

Of the 60,000 types of bacteria that people come in contact with on a daily basis, only about 1-2 % are potentially dangerous to healthy people

Not all bacteria are germs. Right now, you have trillions of bacterial cells in your body that are helping you stay alive. These bacteria help you digest food, like plants, that your body can't digest. Bacteria are also useful as decomposers (so we don't have a bunch of dead stuff lying around). On the other hand, there are also a whole lot of bacteria types that can make you very sick.



VIRUSES

Not all viruses are germs - but most of them are! A few viruses can help our bodies fight bad bacteria and prevent us from getting sick, but most viruses cause us harm; like the common cold, fly, and warts. Some viruses can even kill us; such as HIV/AIDS, smallpox, and Ebola. Viruses are like hijackers. They invade living, normal cells and use those cells to multiply and produce more viruses like themselves. Creepy.



Virus attacking and killing a rod-shaped bacteria

GERM EXPERIMENT: WHAT'S ALL AROUND US?

- 1. Get into groups of 4.
- 2. Decide what you would like to test for germs (Pick 3 items/areas).
- 3. Assign jobs: Recorder, Swabber, Labeler, Manager
- 4. Recorder records, in great detail, which 4 items/areas the group will be testing.
- 5. Recorder assigns each item/area as either TEST AREA 1, TEST AREA 2, or TEST AREA 3.
- 6. Manager collects 1 petri dish, 1 plastic bag, 2 pair of gloves, and 4 cotton swabs.
- 7. Labeller, on the BOTTOM of the petri dish, divides the dish into four equal sections.
- 8. Labeller labels the sections: TEST AREA 1, TEST AREA 2, TEST AREA 3, and CONTROL
- 9. Swabber, puts on gloves and, while spinning cotton swab between fingertips to ensure all sides of swab are exposed, swabs all over test area 1.
- Manager, wearing gloves, opens petri dish and tells swabber on which quarter to squiggle swab.
 Manager replaces lid on petri dish.
- 12. Recorder draws picture of swabber's squiggle.
- 13. Repeat steps 6-10 for next three Test Ares (labeller labels appropriately).
- 14. Manager, wearing gloves, places petri dish into bag and SEALS it well.
- 15. Labeller labels bags with group members names.

GERM EXPERIMENTS: RESULTS

By now, you should have Hypotheses, Materials, and Procedures written for both of the germ experiments. For your results, draw pictures, use lots of descriptive phrases, and record your thoughts. Here are a few questions to help you get started:

- Now that you know a little more about bacteria, viruses, fungi and protozoa; what do you think is growing on the bread and in your agar plates?
- If you think you have bacteria growing, what shapes are they? Color? Size?
- why do you think you have more growth in some places than others?
- Are there different effects between the handwashing and hand sanitizer conditions?

CONSULT EXPERTS

<u>CDC Expert</u> use this link to write your conclusion for the bread experiment

we spoke to <u>Kelly Reynolds</u>, germ expert and associate professor of environmental health at the University of Arizona, and <u>Jason Tetro</u>, visiting scientist at the University of Guelph and author of the best-selling book *Germ Files*.

First of all, not all hand sanitizers are equal...

"You'll want a hand sanitizer that's 62-70% ethyl alcohol," said Tetro. "You should use enough hand sanitizer so that your hands get wet and it takes about 15 to 20 seconds for them to dry.

or thorough.

"But if you have any visible dirt or grime or sticky stuff on your hands, the sanitizer probably won't remove it," adds Reynolds.

Score one for soap.

Background picture is tongue bacteria