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1. An enzyme is a biological catalyst, which means it:
 - ☐ speeds up a reaction without being used up
 - ☐ is used up in the reaction
 - ☐ slows reactions down
 - ☐ is a type of sugar
2. The temperature at which an enzyme works fastest is its:
 - ☐ optimum temperature
 - ☐ denaturing point
 - ☐ freezing point
 - ☐ boiling point
3. Enzymes are made of:
 - ☐ protein
 - ☐ starch
 - ☐ fat
 - ☐ glucose
4. If an enzyme gets too hot, it:
 - ☐ denatures and stops working
 - ☐ speeds up forever
 - ☐ turns into a sugar
 - ☐ works at the same rate
5. The part of an enzyme where the substrate binds is the:
 - ☐ active site
 - ☐ nucleus
 - ☐ membrane
 - ☐ product
6. The optimum temperature of most human enzymes is about how many °C?

7. Each enzyme is specific to one type of substrate.
- ☐ True ☐ False
8. The model where only a matching substrate fits an enzyme is the _____-and-key model.
- _____
9. A denatured enzyme can recover its shape once it cools down.
- ☐ True ☐ False
10. Moving the pH far from an enzyme's optimum will:
- ☐ slow or stop the enzyme
 - ☐ always speed it up
 - ☐ have no effect
 - ☐ turn it into a substrate

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1. speeds up a reaction without being used up

Catalysts speed up reactions and are reusable.

2. optimum temperature

The optimum is where the rate is highest.

3. protein

Enzymes are proteins.

4. denatures and stops working

High temperature denatures the enzyme, destroying its active site.

5. active site

The substrate fits into the active site.

6. 37

Human body temperature is about 37 °C.

7. True

Only a matching substrate fits the active site.

8. lock

Lock-and-key explains enzyme specificity.

9. False

Denaturing is permanent; cooling does not restore the active site.

10. slow or stop the enzyme

The wrong pH changes the active site shape.