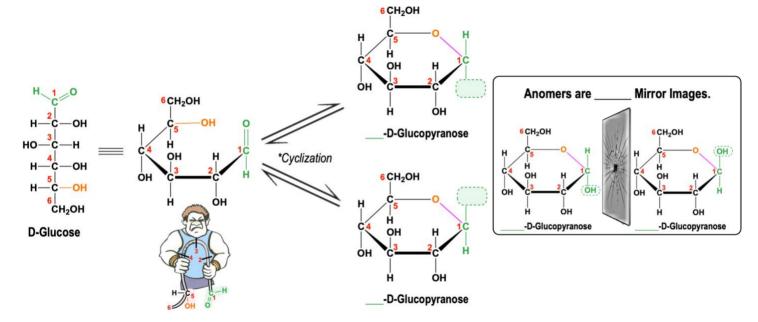
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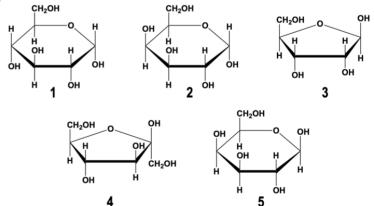
## Monosaccharide Cyclization Generates $\alpha$ and $\beta$ Anomers

- : cyclic sugars that differ ONLY in configurations of their carbon.
  - □ Anomeric carbon: only ring carbon attached to \_\_\_\_\_ oxygens (used to be carbonyl carbon before cyclization).
- •When a monosaccharide cyclizes, the anomeric carbon becomes a chirality center with \_\_\_\_\_ possible configurations:
  - 1) \_\_\_\_\_ Anomer: anomeric carbon's -OH is on the opposite side of its highest numbered carbon.
  - 2) \_\_\_\_ Anomer: anomeric carbon's -OH is on the \_\_\_\_ side of its highest numbered carbon.



**EXAMPLE:** Which of the following molecules are anomers?

- a) Molecules 1 and 2.
- b) Molecules 2 and 5.
- c) Molecules 1 and 5.
- d) Molecules 3 and 4.
- e) Molecules 1 and 4.

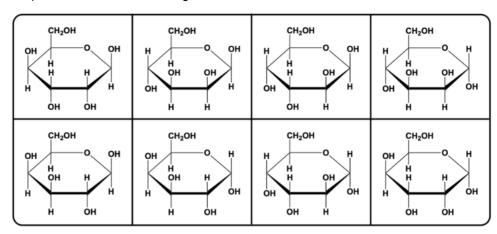


**PRACTICE:** The \_\_\_/\_\_ of the chiral carbon furthest from the carbonyl group, while the \_\_\_/\_\_ anomers are determined by \_\_\_\_\_ of the anomeric carbon.

- a) D; L; conformations; R; S; configuration.
- d) D; L; configuration;  $\alpha$ ;  $\beta$ ; configuration.
- b) R; S; conformation;  $\alpha$ ;  $\beta$ ; configuration.
- e) D; L; conformation;  $\alpha$ ;  $\beta$ ; conformation.
- c) D; L; configuration;  $\alpha$ ;  $\beta$ ; conformation.

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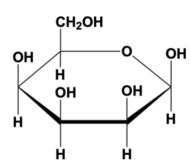
**PRACTICE:** Circle the  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  anomers for the following D-monosaccharide:



**PRACTICE**: Answer the following questions regarding the following cyclic monosaccharide shown below:

A) Clearly label the hemiacetal carbon.

- B) The monosaccharide is a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ anomer.
  - a) Alpha ( $\alpha$ ).
  - b) Beta (β).
- C) Draw the opposite anomer.



D) Draw the  $\alpha$  stereoisomer that differs in the arrangement of substituents at C2.