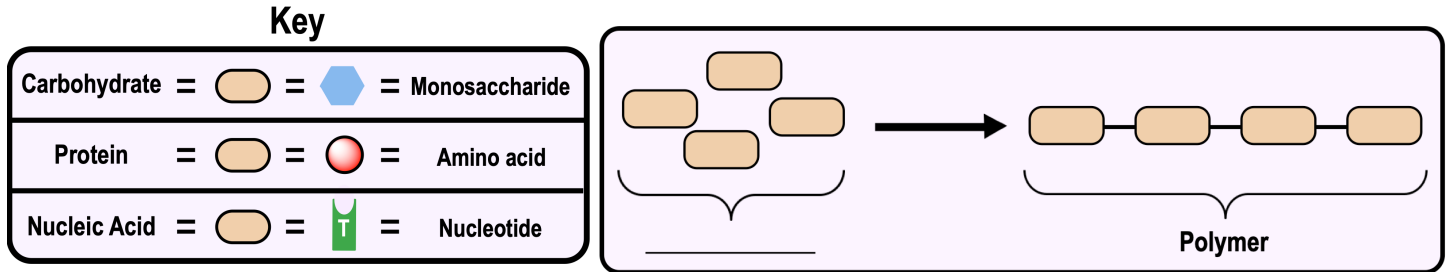


## CONCEPT: MONOMERS & POLYMERS

● **Monomers:** \_\_\_\_\_, individual *building blocks* that can be repetitively linked together to form *polymers*.

- **Polymers:** long chains of \_\_\_\_\_ monomers *linked together*.
- Monomers will \_\_\_\_\_ depending on the type of biomolecule polymer.
- *Carbohydrates, proteins, & nucleic acids* use *consistent* monomers to form polymers, but \_\_\_\_\_ do NOT.

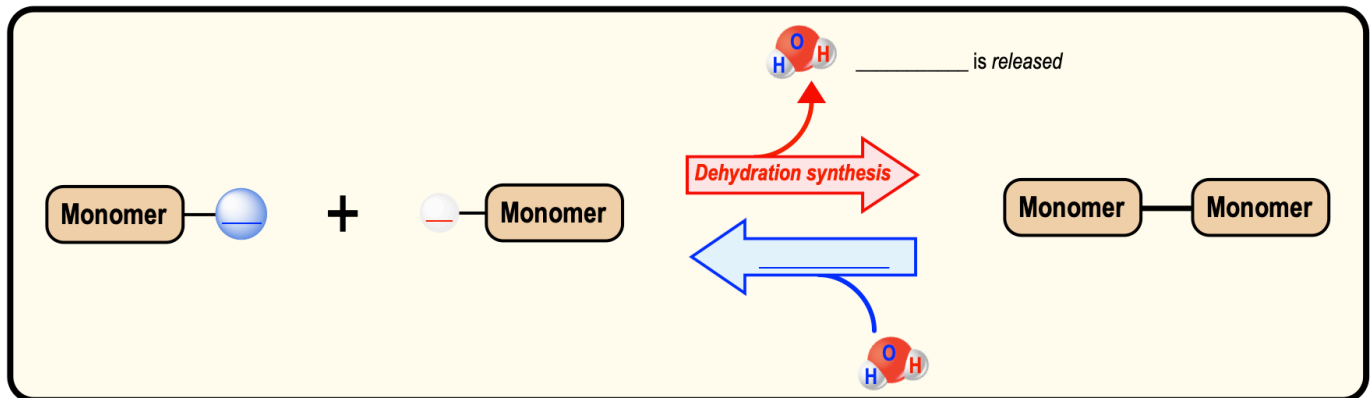
**EXAMPLE:** Monomers vs. Polymers.



## Building & Breaking-Down Polymers

- 1) **Dehydration** \_\_\_\_\_: *forms* covalent bonds to *link* individual monomers & \_\_\_\_\_ a polymer.
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_: *cleaves* covalent bonds to \_\_\_\_\_ down a polymer.

**EXAMPLE:** Formation & Breakdown of Polymers.



**PRACTICE:** Which of the following statements concerning dehydration reactions and hydrolysis is correct?

- a) Dehydration reactions allow solutions to evaporate; hydrolysis reactions dissolve solutes.
- b) Dehydration reactions and hydrolysis reactions assemble polymers from monomers.
- c) Hydrolysis reactions create polymers from monomers; and dehydration reactions create monomers from polymers.
- d) Dehydration reactions create polymers from monomers; hydrolysis reactions break down polymers.

**PRACTICE:** \_\_\_\_\_ bonds are formed between monomers to form a polymer.

- a) Ionic bonds.    b) Covalent bonds.    c) Hydrogen bonds.    d) Hydrophobic bonds.    e). Nuclear bonds.