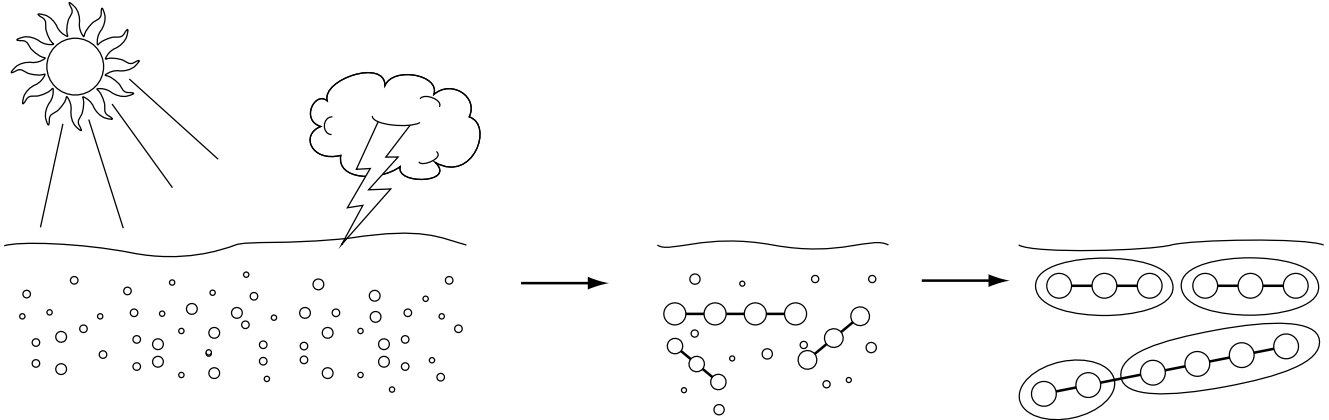


CHAPTER 17 THE HISTORY OF LIFE

Study the diagram below. Then answer the questions.



Energy from the sun and lightning strikes molecules in the sea.

Molecules combine to form simple organic molecules.

Longer molecules continue to form, making simple amino acids.

Amino acids are the building blocks of life. Early protocells were probably made of groups of amino acids.

5. Where did the energy to make organic molecules come from? _____

6. What type of larger organic molecules formed? Why are these larger molecules important?

7. What do scientists believe was formed from groups of amino acids? _____
