Section 6.1 Human Vision Study Notes



By the end of section 6.1 you should be able to understand the following:				
 Light is detected by the eye using the cornea-lens-retina system. Rod cells detect dim light but are not sensitive to colour. Cone cells dominate in bright light and distinguish between colours. Vision deficiencies include near-sightedness, far-sightedness, astigmatism, and deficiencies in distinguishing between different colours. 				
NOTES				
Describe how light enters the eye and ends up as electrical	1.			
signals transmitted to the brain.	2.			
	3.			
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Describe how an image is formed on the retina, and what a blind spot is.	1.		
	2.		
What is the role in vision of rod and cone cells?	Do the Reading Check on page 205		
	2.		

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Describe how light rays behave in normal eyes, near- sightedness, far-	1.	
sightedness, and astigmatism.	2.	
	3.	
	4.	
List the different types of blindness.	1.	2.
	3.	4.
		Do the Reading Check on page 210