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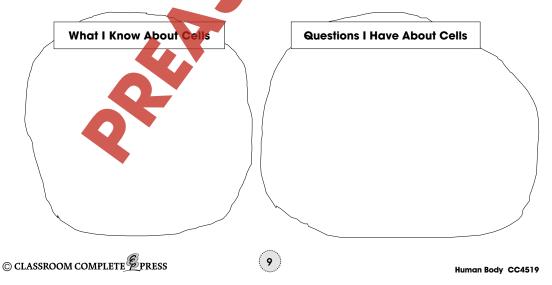


Cells - The Building Blocks of Life

1. Complete each sentence with a word from the list. Use a dictionary to help you.

	cellular organisms cteria	multicellular organ cells	isms	specialized microscope
a)	Every living thing is made up obuilding blocks of life.	of	. That is why they	y are called the
b)	Some living things are very sin	nple. The ones that	ire only one cell	in size are called
c)	are an exa	mple of unicellular o	organisms.	
d)	Humans and frogs are an exa	imple of	,	
e)	Most cells are very small. We h	nave to use a	to b	e able to see

2. Use the cell shapes below to list anything you already know about cells and some questions you have about cells.



After You Read

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The Circulatory System - Heart

3. Why is it important that the heart beats without us telling it to be

4. What is the difference between bright red blood and dark red blood?

5. Here are some new words from the reading. Write each word beside its meaning. Use the information in the reading passage to help you.

chamber	oxygenated	deoxygenat	ed involuntary	pump
-	a) The	heart is one body.	ecause it pushes blo	ood around the
	b) As	eparate place	(the heart has four	of these)
		ed with oxygen		
	d) Sor		orks without us havii	ng to think about i
	e) Sor	nething with ve	ry little oxygen in it	

6. Look at the diagram on the next page. It is a **heart**. Follow the instructions to show how blood flows through the two chambers of the heart.

Extension & Application

- 7. What do you know about **heart attacks?** They are very dangerous. People can die from them there are other **heart diseases** too. Research heart attacks or another heart disease. Look for information on the Internet and in books from the library. Record your information in the chart (on page 104). Here are some questions you should find the answers to:
 - What happens to the heart? What are the symptoms? How is it treated?
 - Are there some people who are more likely to get it than others?
 - What can people do to avoid getting it? What can people do to keep their heart healthy?
 Any other interesting facts

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Reading Passage



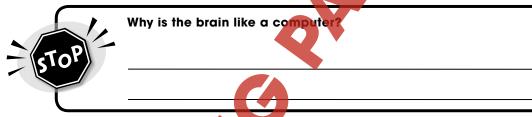
The Nervous System - Brain

ne of the most important organ systems in our body is the nervous system. The nervous system is a network of tissue that has the job of sending and carrying messages to all areas of our body. Our nervous system controls all our movements and reactions to the world around us. The nervous system is made of three important parts – the brain, the spinal cord and the nerves.



To understand how the parts of the nervous system work together, think of a **computer system**. The brain is the computer. The spinal cord is the cable carrying the messages or **data** to and from the computer. All the perves connect to the spinal cord. These perves of

computer. All the nerves connect to the spinal cord. These nerves carry the messages to every part of the body and also send important **information** back to the brain.



The Brain

The brain **manages** our nervous system. It is the control center of our body. The brain is protected inside the bones of the skull. It weighs about three pounds and is made of over 100 **billion** nerve cells. The brain has three main parts.

Brain Part	Description	What It Does
cerebrum	the large top part of the brain divided into two halves looks pinkish gray in color, is jelly-like and wrinkled the large top part of the brain divided.	controls thinking, memory, all our emotions and language also very important for movement
cerebellum	• also called "little brain" sits below the cerebrum	important for movement, balance and posture
brain stem	looks like a stalk that connects the brain to the spinal cord the simplest part of our brain.	controls involuntary movements like our breathing and heart beat

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The Heart

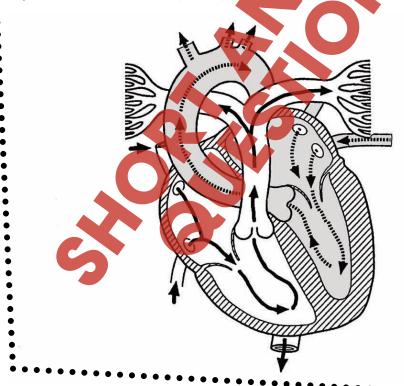
Look at the diagram of the heart. You can see how blood flows through the two chambers of the heart. You can tell which chamber is which by looking at the **arrows**. The arrows show which way the blood is circulating. Some blood is going into the heart.

REMEMBER:

Arteries take blood away from the heart.

Veins take blood into the heart.

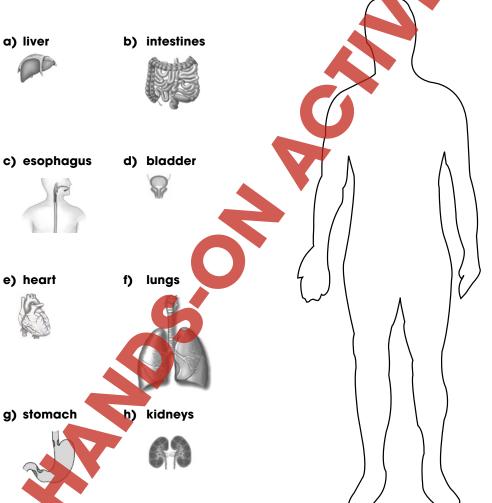
- a) Color the blood moving through the left chamber red.
- b) Color the blood moving through the right chamber blue.

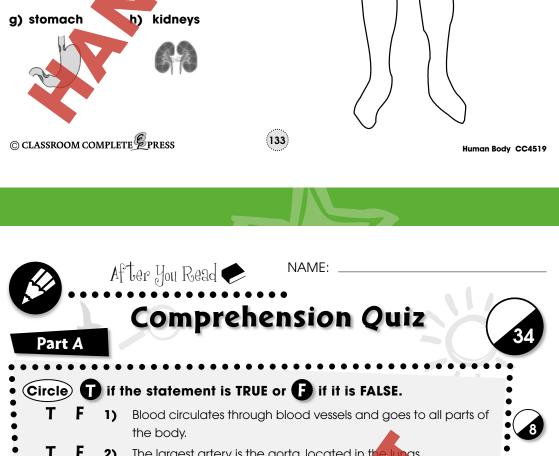


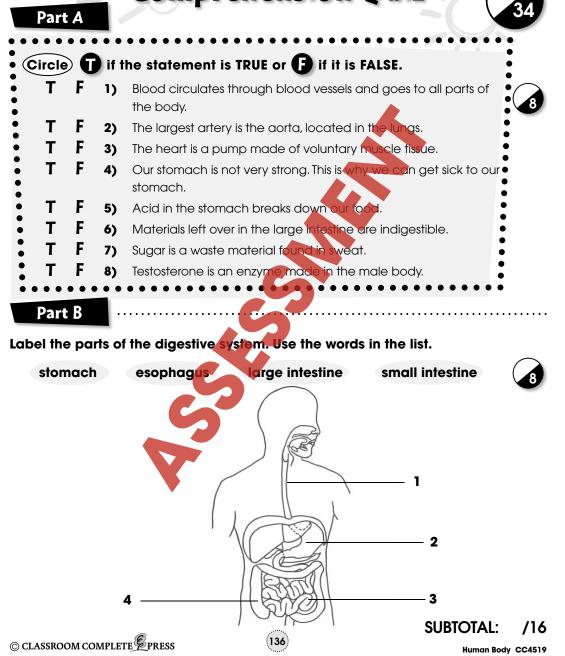


Pin the Organ on the Body

Here is an outline of the human body. To the left are pictures of important ORGANS in the body. Your task is to CUT OUT each organ and to PASTE it on the body where it belongs. You may use information from the reading passages, the internet, or other resource materials to find the answers. (Hint: some of the organs may overlap!)

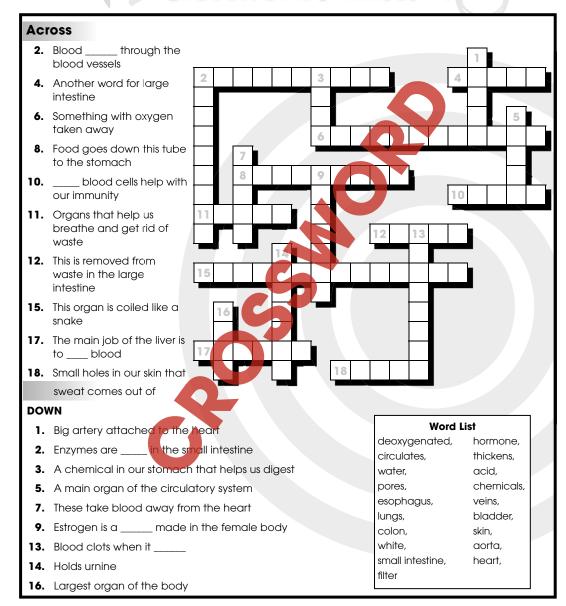








Crossword Puzzle!







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The Sense of Sight

3.	How are the eyelashes and eyebrows similar and different?
4.	Why does the lens of the eye need to be able to change shape?
5.	Describe the path that light follows as it enters the eye. (Hint: this path ends when light hits the retina.) Tell what happens when light hits the retina. Look at the chart in the
	reading passage to help you.

6. Look at the diagram on the next page. Label the parts of the eye. Use the information from the reading passage, the Internet, or a book from the library to help you.

Extension & Application

7. Helen Keller was a very famous writer from the past who was also blind and Research to find out about Helen's life. Imagine that you had a chance to meet her. what you have learned from your research, write a **short story** describing your meeting.

Think about the following: • What kind of person was she? • How would you communicate with each other? • Are there any special questions you would want to ask? • How would she answer your questions?

8. Many people wear glasses to improve their eyesight. Interview two people you know who wear glasses. They could be friends, family members or even yourself! Find out when they first got glasses, why they need them, and how they feel about them.

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eyelashes: tiny hairs on: the eyelid. eyebrows: ridge of hairs above the: eye. **both:** protect the eye from damage

To see things that are close to us and far away

Light is let in by the iris and passes through the pupil to the lens. Then, it passes through the lens to the retina where the is created.

6.

- a) pupil
- **b)** lens
- c) iris
- **d)** retina
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Answers will vary

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- ✓ eardrum
 - ✓ middle ear
- X inner ear F
 - ✓ ear canal
- ✓ sound vibrations

X outer ear - A

2.

- c) middle ear
- **d)** inner ear

Answers will vary

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- a) middle ear
- **b)** electrical signals
- c) optic nerve
- d) very fast
- e) ear canal

2.

a) auricle

- :e) three
- :f) hammer/anvil/stirrup: **:g)** hammer/anvil/stirrup
- h) hammer/anvil/stirrup
- i) inner ear
- j) cochlea





It increases the power of the sound

To send sound vibrations to the brain

5.

It travels from the outer ear, through the ear canal, to the middle ear, and into the inner ear



Answers will vary depending on resources used

