## Digestive System Dominoes

Start

Mouth

Oesophagus

In here, your teeth chew your food and your tongue moves it around.

Food moves down this long tube because muscles squeeze it down.

This is a large sack, which churns your food with strong acid to break it down.

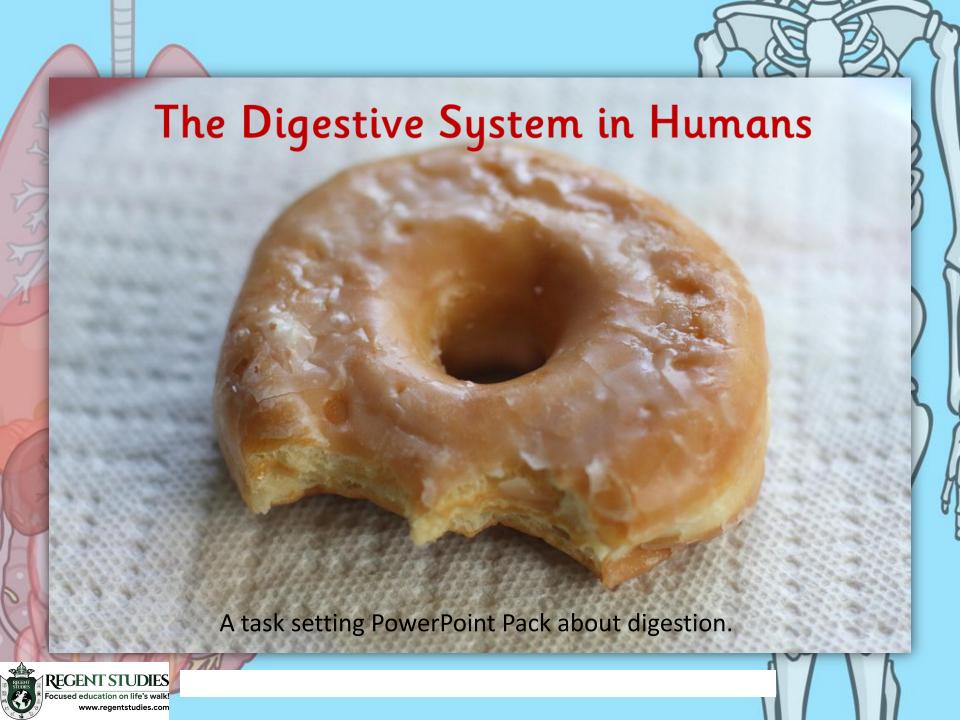
Stomach

**Intestines** 

Nutrients and water are absorbed into your body.

Finish







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- To know the order of our digestive system.

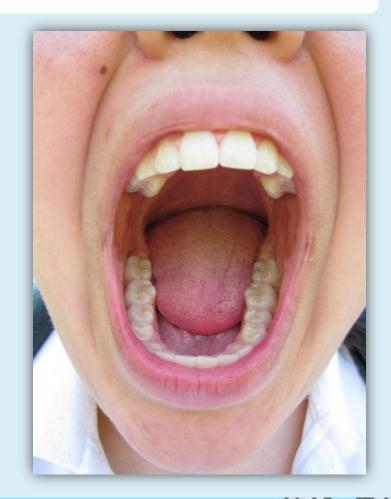


# Introduction

In this lesson we will be learning about digestion in humans.

Digestion is a scientific way of describing how we break down our food.

It describes everything that happens to our food once it enters our mouths.





## Starter

The digestive system starts in our mouths.

Which sentences describe the tongue, mouth and teeth?

A Crush the food into smaller pieces.

B Moves food around and allows you to swallow and taste food.

Digestion begins here. This is where food is broken down by chewing.



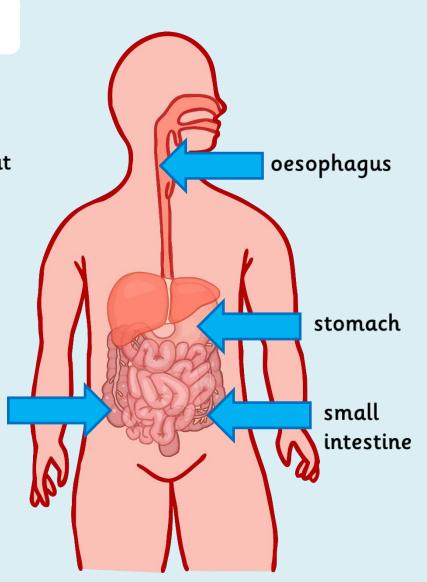
## Starter

When food is swallowed it leaves the mouth and continues through our digestive system. Lets see what you already know.

Can you label any parts of the human digestive system on this diagram?

large intestine

Click on the arrows for answers.

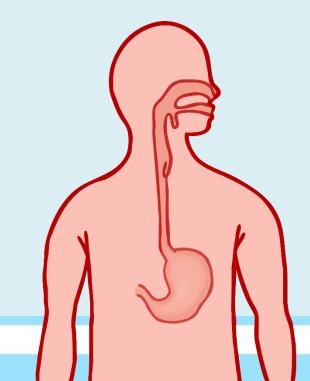






When you swallow your food enters your oesophagus.

The oesophagus is a long tube the connects your mouth to your stomach.





## Demonstration

Your food doesn't just drop down your oesophagus, the muscles in the oesophagus squeeze the food down.



This is a little bit like a tube of toothpaste. If you squeeze the tube behind the toothpaste. The toothpaste is forced along the tube and out of the other side.

That's also why you can still swallow your food if you are upside down!



## Demonstration

After the oesophagus, your food enters your stomach. Your stomach is like a large sack which churns your food with strong acid.



Cola has acid in it. If we mix some bread with cola in a sealed bag and churn it around, we can see how the stomach works!



## Demonstration

After the stomach, your food enters your intestines.

Your small intestine breaks down your food even more and absorbs nutrients through its walls and into your blood.

The large intestine then lets water be absorbed through its walls and back into your body.

A pair of tights can show us how the intestines work!





# Activity

Can you make an information poster to tell people what happens to their food once it enters their mouths?

Your poster needs to include these words:

Digestive system

Mouth

Tongue

Teeth

Oesophagus

Stomach

Intestine

Food





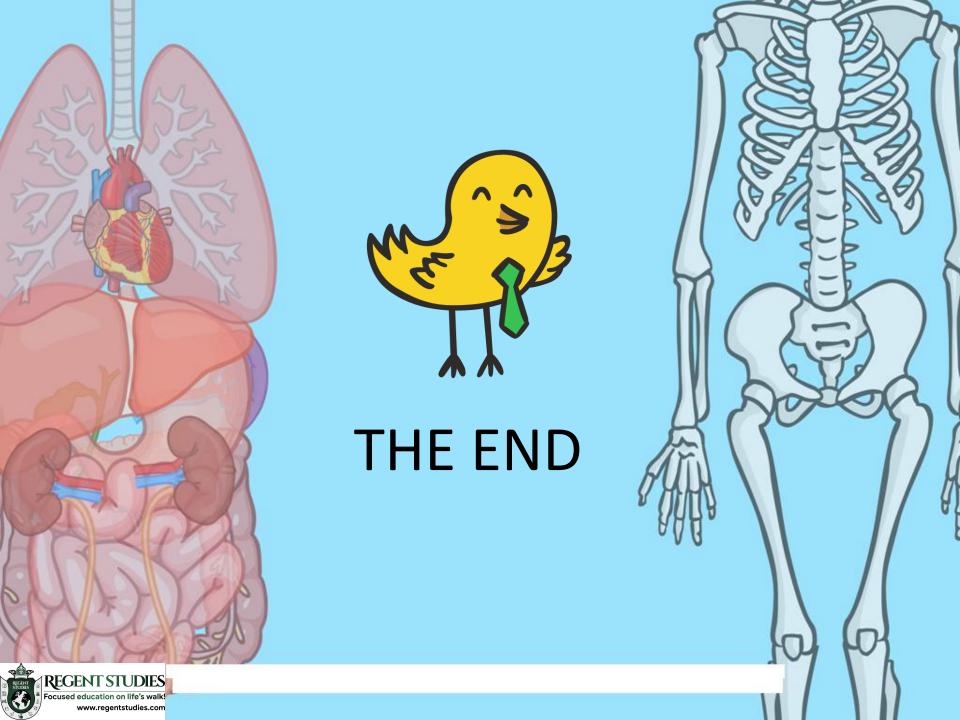
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Can you link the dominoes to match the body parts to their jobs and put the parts of the digestive system in order?







## The Digestive System in Humans: Teacher notes

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#### **Demonstrations:**

This task setter uses three demonstrations to explain how different parts of the digestive system work. The best way to carry out these demonstrations is to get the children involved!

### Demonstration 3 explained:

This exemplifies how the intestines absorb water and nutrients through its wall. If you put the contents of the re-sealable bag (stomach) in one leg of the old tights (intestine) and squeeze it above a tray, the solid materials (which will eventually become faeces) will produce water, which will drip through the tights and into the tray.

## For the demonstrations, you will need:

- A toothpaste or tomato puree tube
- Coke or another acidic drink
- A heavy-duty re-sealable bag
- Bread
- An old pair of tights
- Trays to contain the mess

