

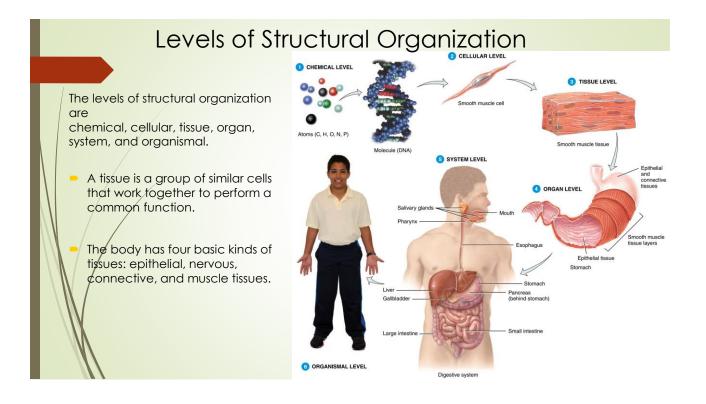
Introduction to Body Structure

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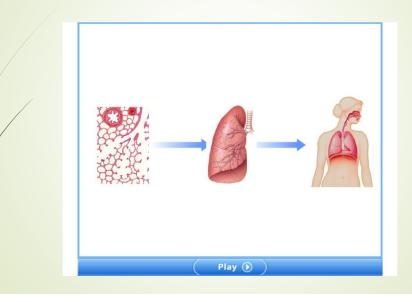
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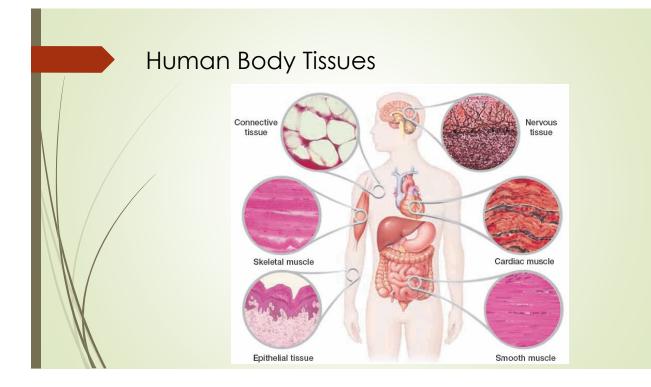
## Tissue, Organ, and Organ System

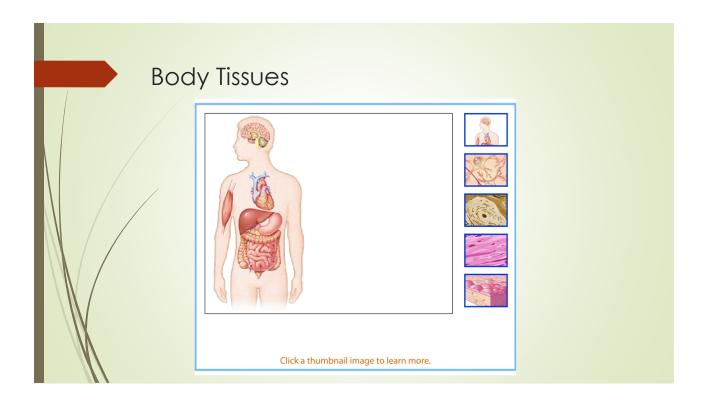


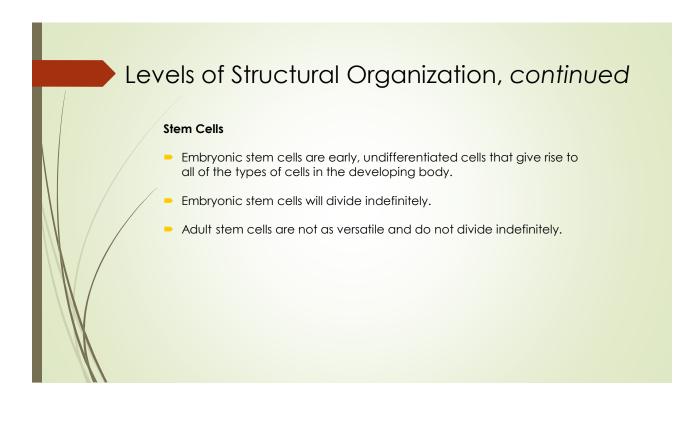
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## Four Kinds of Tissues

- Epithelial tissue lines most body surfaces and protects other tissues from damage and dehydration.
- Nervous tissue consists of nerve cells, which carry information throughout the body.
- Various kinds of connective tissue support, protect, and insulate the body.
- Muscle tissue enables the movement of body structures by muscle contraction.







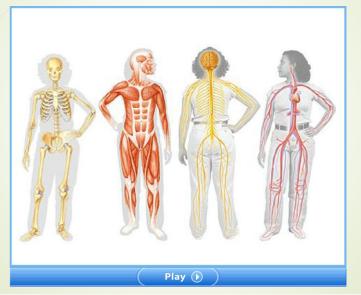
## Organ Systems

- Body organs are made of combinations of two or more types of tissues working together to perform a specific function.
- An organ system is a group of organs that work together to carry out major activities or processes. Some organs function in more than one organ system.

Major Organ Systems of the Human Body

System	Major structures	Functions
Circulatory	Heart, blood vessels, blood (cardiovascular) lymph nodes and vessels, lymph (lymphatic)	Transports nutrients, wastes, hormones, and gases
Digestive	Mouth, throat, esophagus, stomach, liver, pancreas, small and large intestines	Extracts and absorbs nutrients from food; removes wastes; maintains water and chemical balances
Endocrine	Hypothalamus, pituitary, pancreas and many other endocrine glands	Regulates body temperature, metabolism, development, and reproduction; maintains homeostasis; regulates other organ systems
Excretory	Kidneys, urinary bladder, ureters, urethra, skin, lungs	Removes wastes from blood; regulates concentration of body fluids
Immune	White blood cells, lymph nodes and vessels, skin	Defends against pathogens and disease
Integumentary	Skin, nails, hair	Protects against injury, infection, and fluid loss; helps regulate body temperature
Muscular	Skeletal, smooth, and cardiac muscle tissues	Moves limbs and trunk; moves substances through body; provides structure and support
Nervous	Brain, spinal cord, nerves, sense organs	Regulates behavior; maintains homeostasis; regulates other organ systems; controls sensory and motor functions
Reproductive	Testes, penis (in males); ovaries, uterus, breasts (in females)	Produces gametes and offspring
Respiratory	Lungs, nose, mouth, trachea	Moves air into and out of lungs; controls gas exchange between blood and lungs
Skeletal	Bones and joints	Protects and supports the body and organs; interacts with skeletal muscles, produces red blood cells, white blood cells, and platelets

## Overview of Organ Systems



## **Directional** Terms

#### DIRECTIONAL TERM

Superior (soo'-PĒR-ē-or) (cephalic or cranial) Inferior (in-FĒ-rē-or) (caudal) Anterior (an-TĒR-ē-or) (ventral)\* Posterior (pos-TĒR-ē-or) (dorsal)

Medial (MĒ-dē-al)

Lateral (LAT-er-al) Intermediate (in'-ter-MĒ-dē-at)

Ipsilateral (ip-si-LAT-er-al) Contralateral (KON-tra-lat-er-al) Proximal (PROK-si-mal)

Distal (DIS-tal)

Superficial (soo'-per-FISH-al) (external) Deep (Internal)

#### DEFINITION

Toward the head, or the upper part of a structure.

Away from the head, or the lower part of a structure. Nearer to or at the front of the body. Nearer to or at the back of the body.

Nearer to the midline (an imaginary vertical line that divides the body into equal right and left sides). Farther from the midline. Between two structures.

On the same side of the body as another structure. On the opposite side of the body from another structure. Nearer to the attachment of a limb to the trunk; nearer to the origination of a structure. Farther from the attachment of a limb to the trunk; farther

from the origination of a structure.

Toward or on the surface of the body.

Away from the surface of the body.

#### **EXAMPLE OF USE**

The heart is superior to the liver.

The stomach is inferior to the lungs. The sternum (breastbone) is anterior to the heart. The esophagus (food tube) is posterior to the trachea (windpipe). The ulna is medial to the radius.

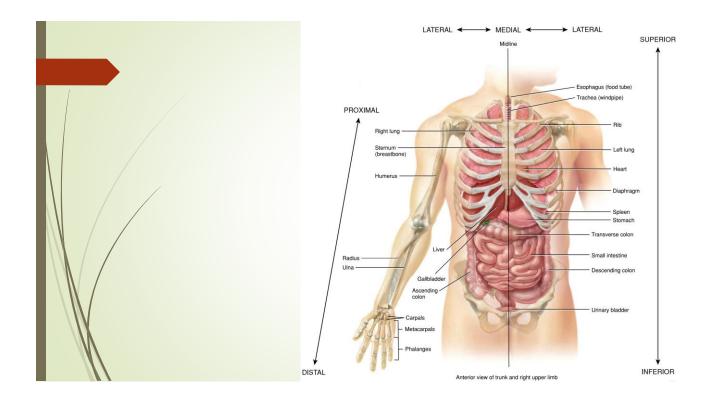
The lungs are lateral to the heart. The transverse colon is intermediate to the ascending and descending colons.

The gallbladder and ascending colon are ipsilateral. The ascending and descending colons are contralateral. The humerus (arm bone) is proximal to the radius.

The phalanges (finger bones) are distal to the carpals (wrist bones).

The ribs are superficial to the lungs.

The ribs are deep to the skin of the chest and back.

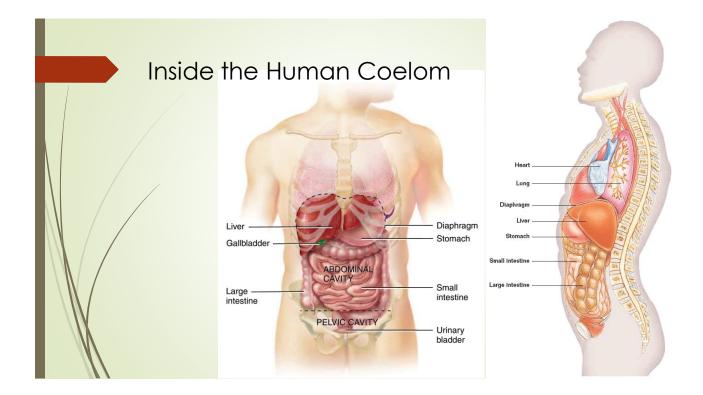


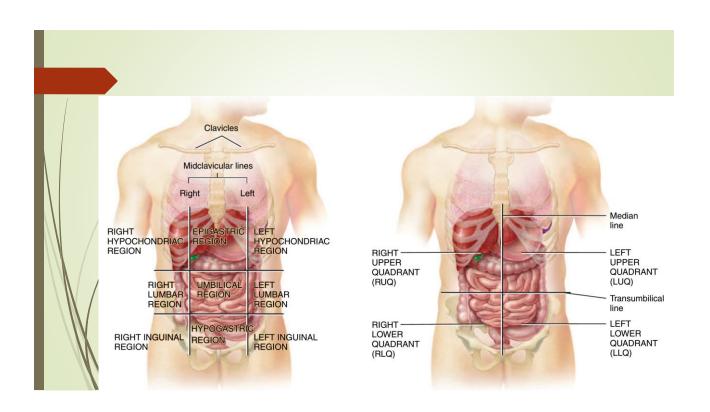
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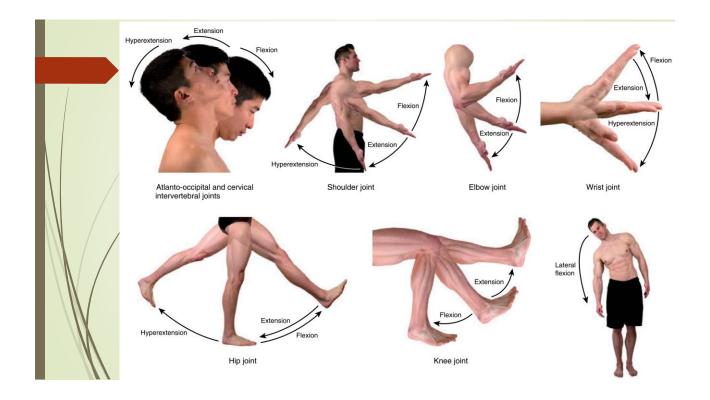
## **Body Cavities**

- The human body contains four large fluid-filled spaces, or body cavities, that house and protect the major internal organs.
- These body cavities are the thoracic cavity (heart and lungs), cranial cavity (brain), abdominal cavity (digestive organs), and spinal cavity (spinal cord).

#### Cavities of the Human Body CAVITY COMMENTS **Cranial cavity** Formed by cranial bones and contains brain. Formed by vertebral column and contains spinal Vertebral canal Cranial cord and the beginnings of spinal nerves. cavity Thoracic cavity\* Chest cavity; contains pleural and pericardial Vertebral cavities and the mediastinum. canal Pleural cavity A potential space between the layers of the Thoracic pleura that surrounds a lung. cavity Pericardial cavity A potential space between the layers of the Diaphragm pericardium that surrounds the heart. Mediastinum Central portion of thoracic cavity between the lungs; extends from sternum to vertebral column Abdominopelvic cavity: and from first rib to diaphragm; contains heart, Abdominal thymus, esophagus, trachea, and several large cavity blood vessels Pelvic Abdominopelvic Subdivided into abdominal and pelvic cavities. cavity cavity Abdominal cavity Contains stomach, spleen, liver, gallbladder, small intestine, and most of large intestine; the serous membrane of the abdominal cavity is (a) Right lateral view (b) Anterior view the peritoneum. Pelvic cavity Contains urinary bladder, portions of large intestine, and internal organs of reproduction.







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## Organ Systems, continued

### Endothermy

- Like all mammals, humans are endotherms. Humans maintain a fairly constant internal temperature of about 37°C (98.6 °F).
- The human body uses a great deal of energy to maintain a constant body temperature.



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