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INTRODUCTION

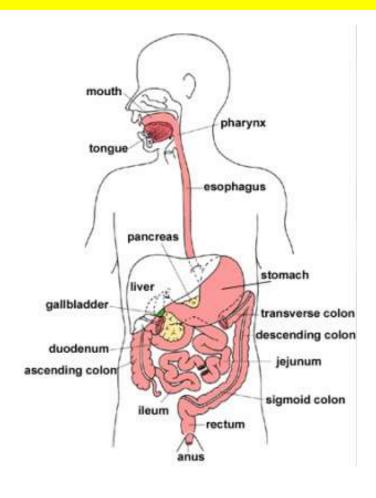


- The organs of the digestive system can be separated into two main groups.
- The alimentary canal, also called the gastrointestinal tract, is a continuous, hollow muscular tube that winds through the ventral body cavity and is open at both ends



GASTROINTESTINAL ORGANS

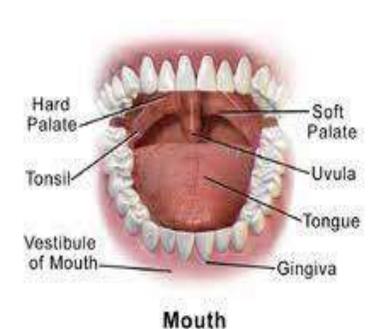






MOUTH





 Food enters the digestive tract through the mouth, or oral cavity, a mucous membrane-lined cavity.



MOUTH



- Lips. The lips (labia) protect its anterior opening.
- Cheeks. The cheeks form its lateral walls.
- Palate. The hard palate forms its anterior roof, and the soft palate forms its posterior roof.
- Uvula. The uvula is a fleshy fingerlike projections of the soft palate
- Vestibule. The space between the lips and the cheeks externally and the teeth and gums internally is the vestibule.



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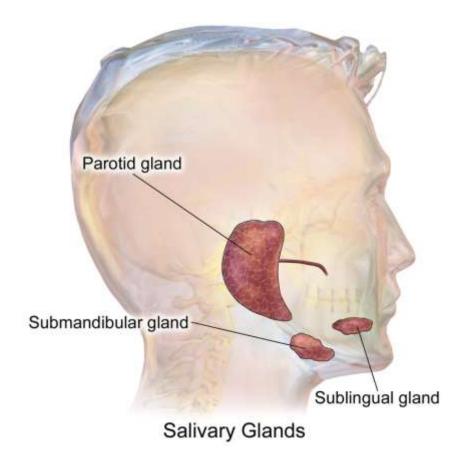
- Tongue. The muscular tongue occupies the floor of the mouth
- Lingual frenulum. The lingual frenulum, a fold of mucous membrane.
- Palatine tonsils. At the posterior end ,paired masses of lymphatic tissue, the palatine tonsils.
- Lingual tonsil. The lingual tonsils cover the base of the tongue just beyond.







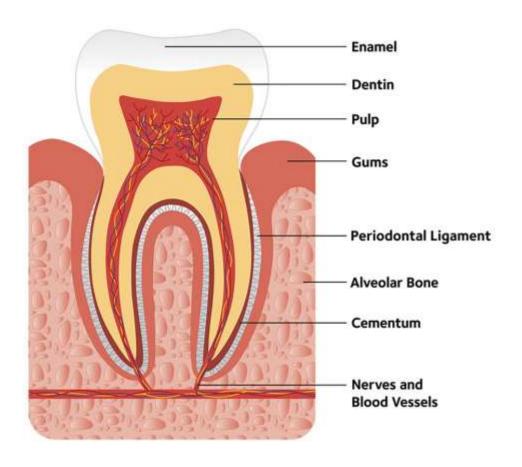
- There are three pairs of main salivary glands and between 800 and 1,000 minor salivary glands.
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TEETH

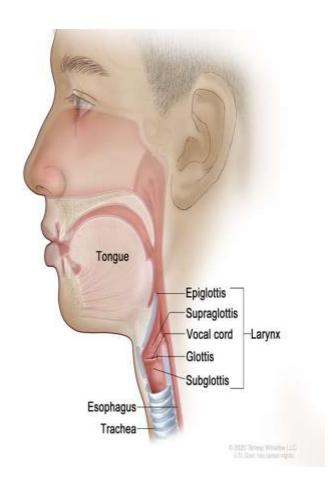


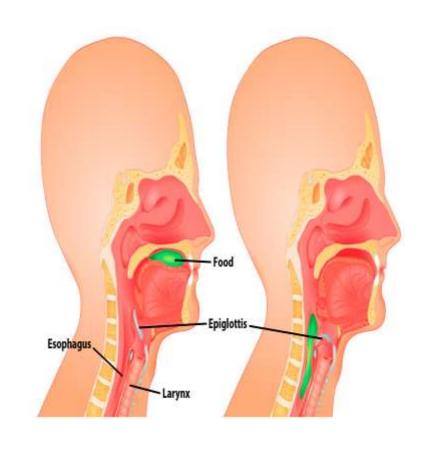




EPIGLOTTIS









PHARYNX



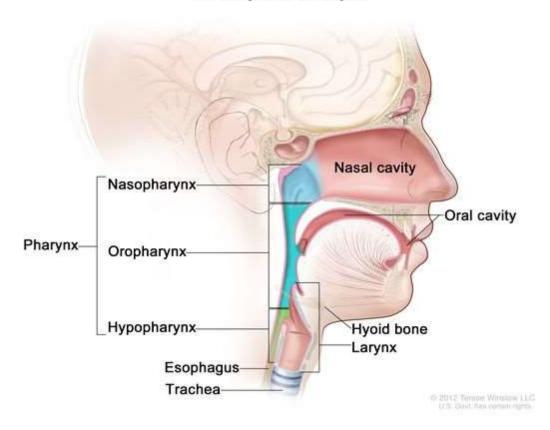
- The food passes posteriorly into the oropharynx and laryngopharynx.
- Oropharynx. The oropharynx is posterior to the oral cavity.
- Laryngopharynx. The laryngopharynx is continuous with the esophagus below; both of which are common passageways for food, fluids, and air.



PHARYNX



Anatomy of the Pharynx





ESOPHAGUS

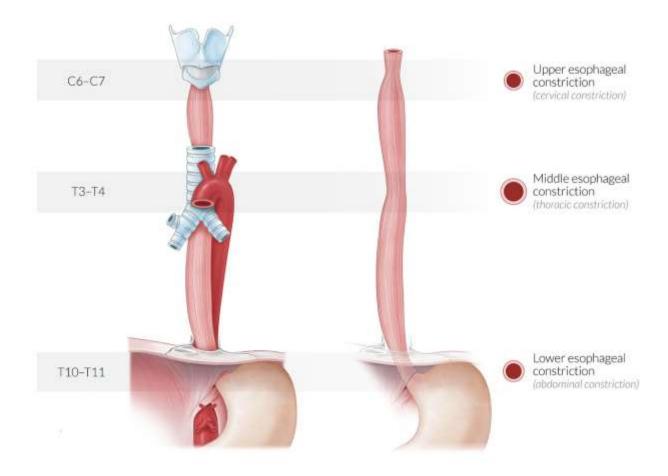


- The esophagus or gullet, runs from the pharynx through the diaphragm to the stomach.
- Size and function.
- About 25 cm (10 inches) long, it is essentially a passageway that conducts food by peristalsis to the stomach.
- Structure.
- The walls are made up of the same four basic tissue layers or tunics.



ESOPHAGUS









- Location. The C-shaped stomach is on the left side of the abdominal cavity, nearly hidden by the liver and the diaphragm.
- Function. The stomach acts as a temporary "storage tank" for food as well as a site for food breakdown.
- Cardiac region -- surrounds the cardio esophageal sphincter, through which food enters the stomach from the esophagus.

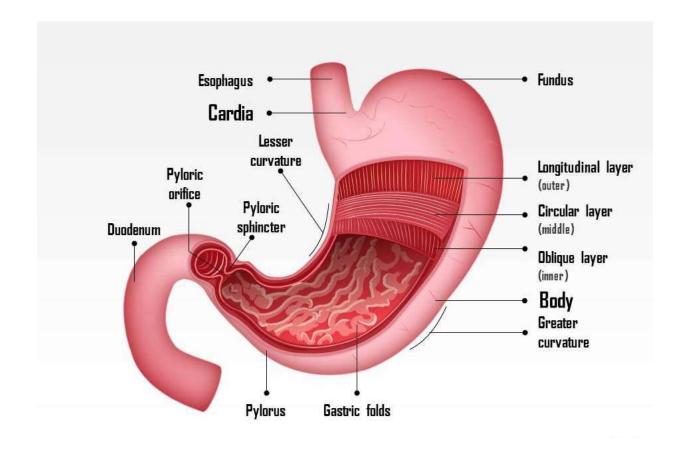




- **Fundus.** The fundus is the expanded part of the stomach lateral to the cardiac region.
- Body. The body is the midportion, and as it narrows inferiorly, it becomes the pyloric antrum, and then the funnel-shaped pylorus.
- Pylorus. The pylorus is the terminal part of the stomach and it is continuous with the small intestine through the pyloric sphincter or valve.











- Size. The stomach varies from
- 15 to 25 cm in length,
- When it is full, it can hold about 4 liters (1 gallon) of food,
- But when it is empty it collapses inward on itself.
- Rugae. The mucosa of the stomach is thrown into large folds called rugae when it is empty.





Greater curvature

- The convex lateral surface of the stomach is the greater curvature.

Lesser curvature

- The concave medial surface is the lesser curvature.





- Lesser omentum
- The lesser omentum, a double layer of peritoneum, extends from the liver to the greater curvature.
- Greater omentum
- The greater omentum, helps to insulate, cushion, and protect the abdominal organs.





- Stomach mucosa.
- The mucosa of the stomach is a simple columnar epithelium

 Gastric glands. - smooth lining is dotted with millions of deep gastric pits, which lead into gastric glands that secrete the solution called gastric juice.





- Intrinsic factor.
- An intrinsic factor, a substance needed for the absorption of vitamin b12 from the small intestine.

Chief cells.

- The chief cells produce protein-digesting enzymes, mostly **pepsinogens**.





- Parietal cells. The parietal cells produce corrosive hydrochloric acid
- Entero endocrine cells. The enteroendocrine cells produce local hormones such as gastrin
- Chyme. After food has been processed, it resembles heavy cream and is called chyme



CONCLUSION



 The gastrointestinal tract (GI tract, digestive tract, alimentary canal) is the tract or passageway of the digestive system that leads from the mouth to the anus.

 The GI tract contains all the major organs of the digestive system, in humans and other animals, including the esophagus, stomach, and intestines.





