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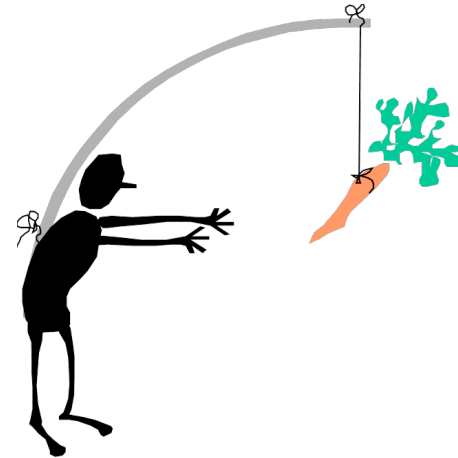
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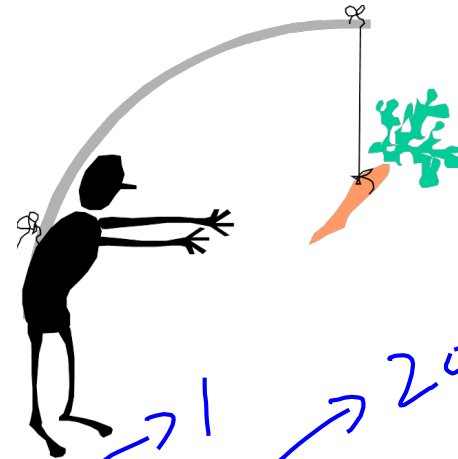
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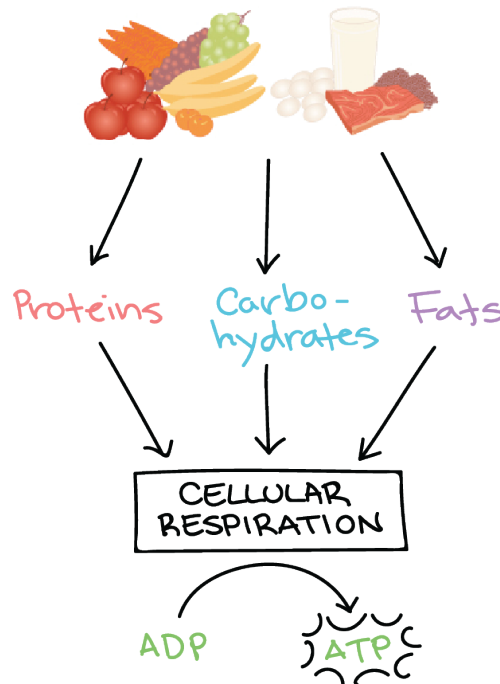
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- **Homeostasis**: maintain a stable internal environment
- Obtain and use material for energy
- Made of **cells** (specialized, irreducible, and very complex: grow, develop, and reproduce)



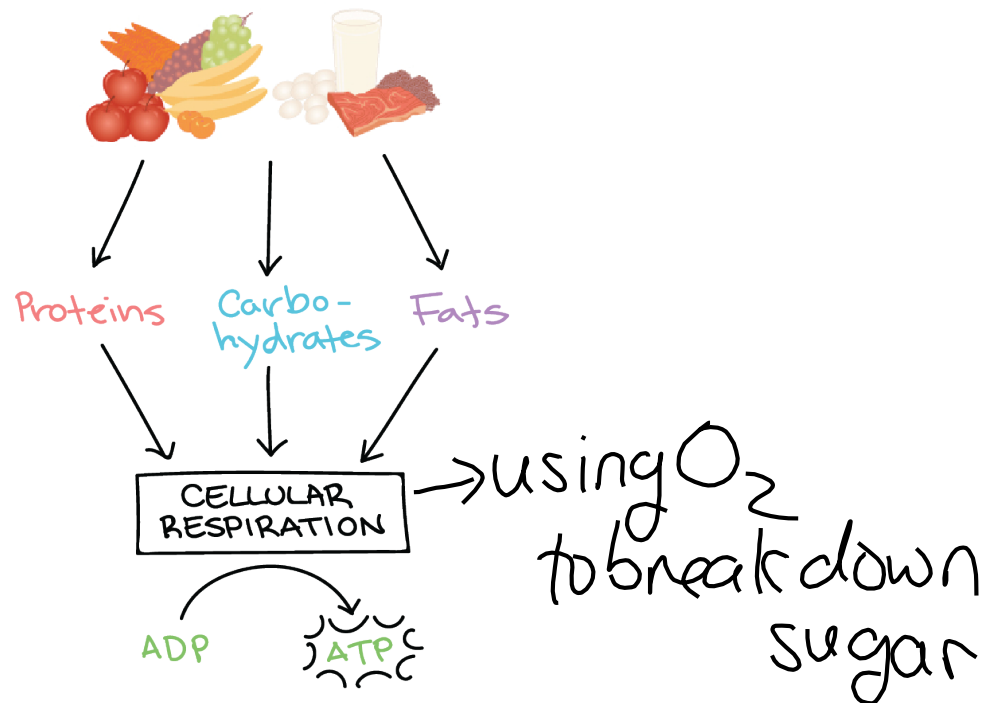
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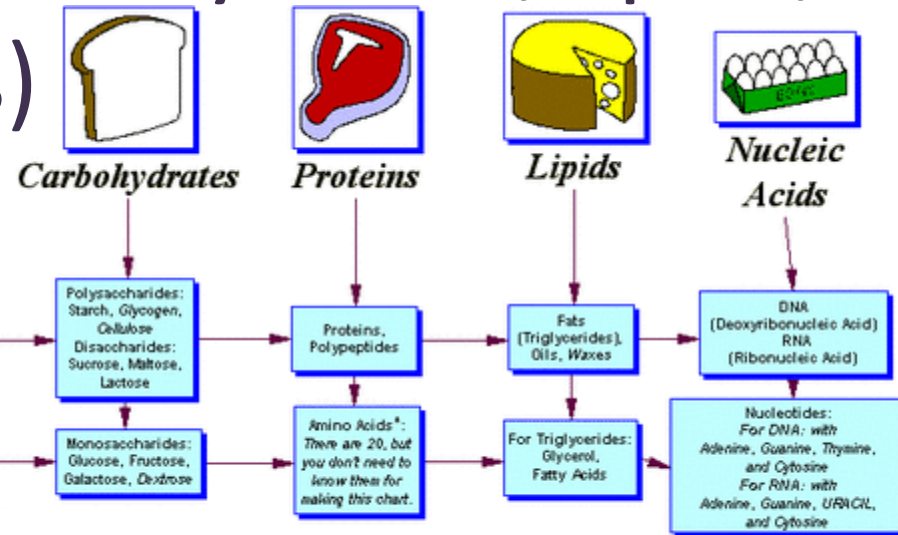
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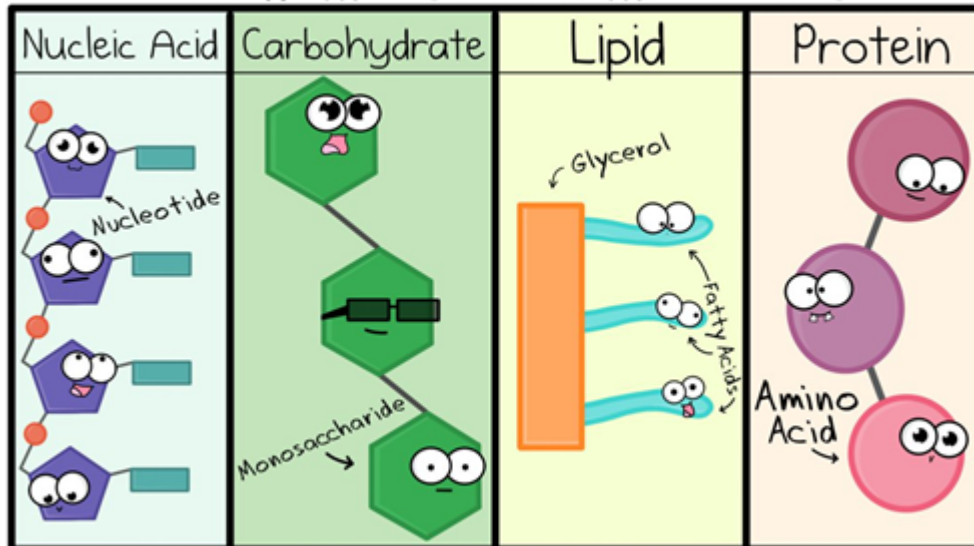
made in the body of something

come from the soil



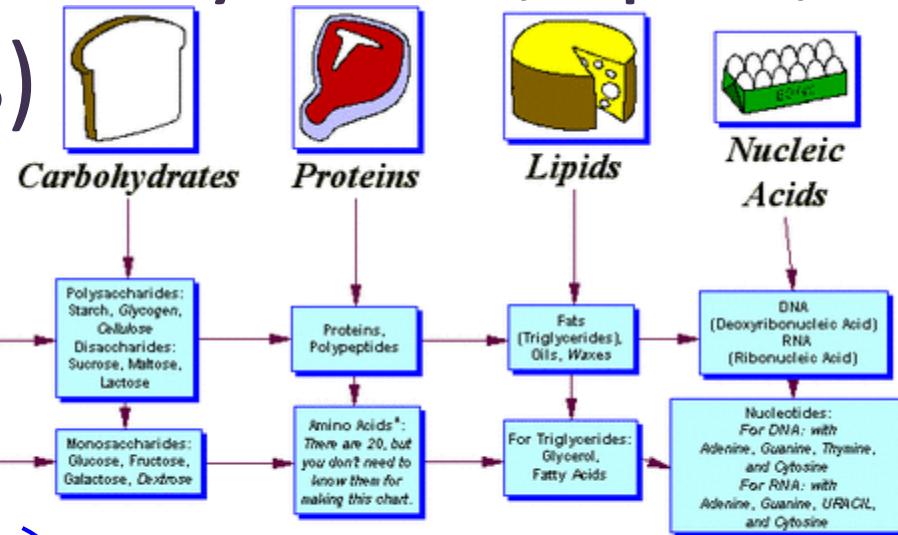
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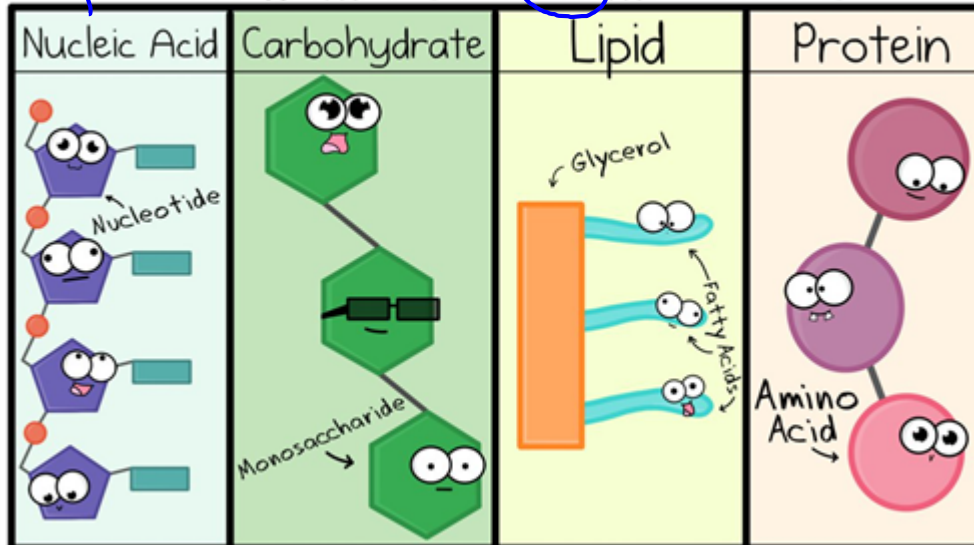
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refers to DNA RNA
life
many
Polymers
Monomers
one



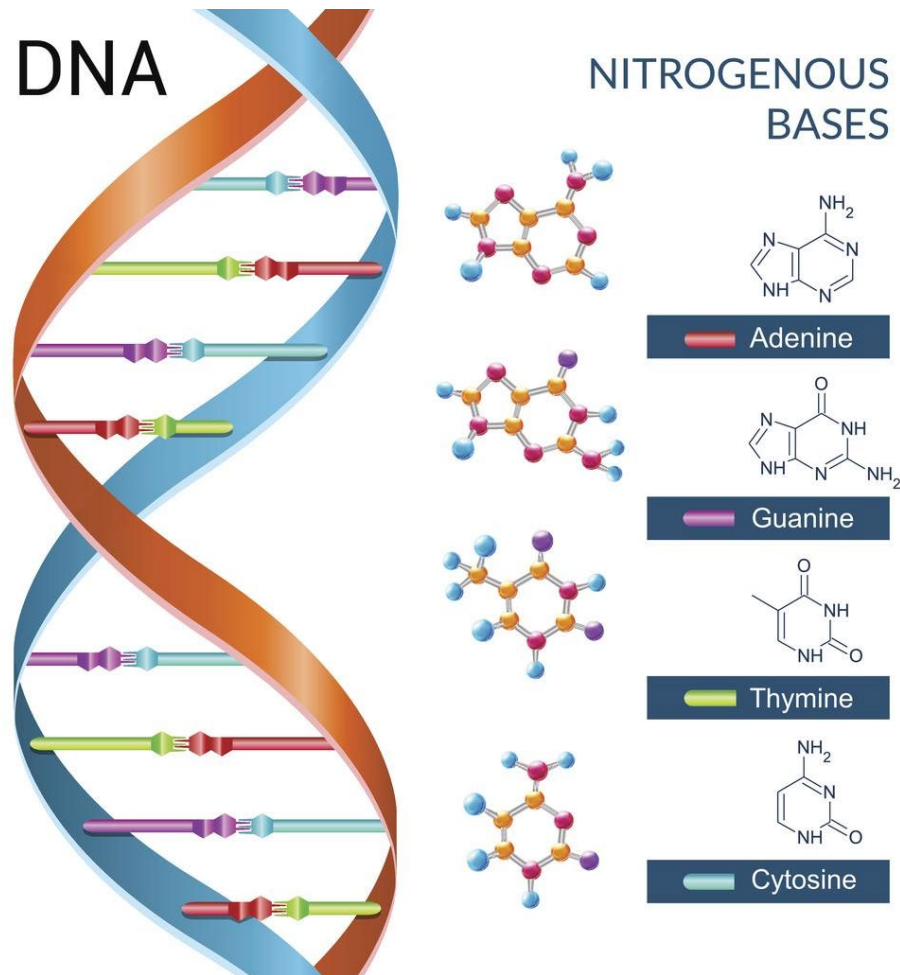
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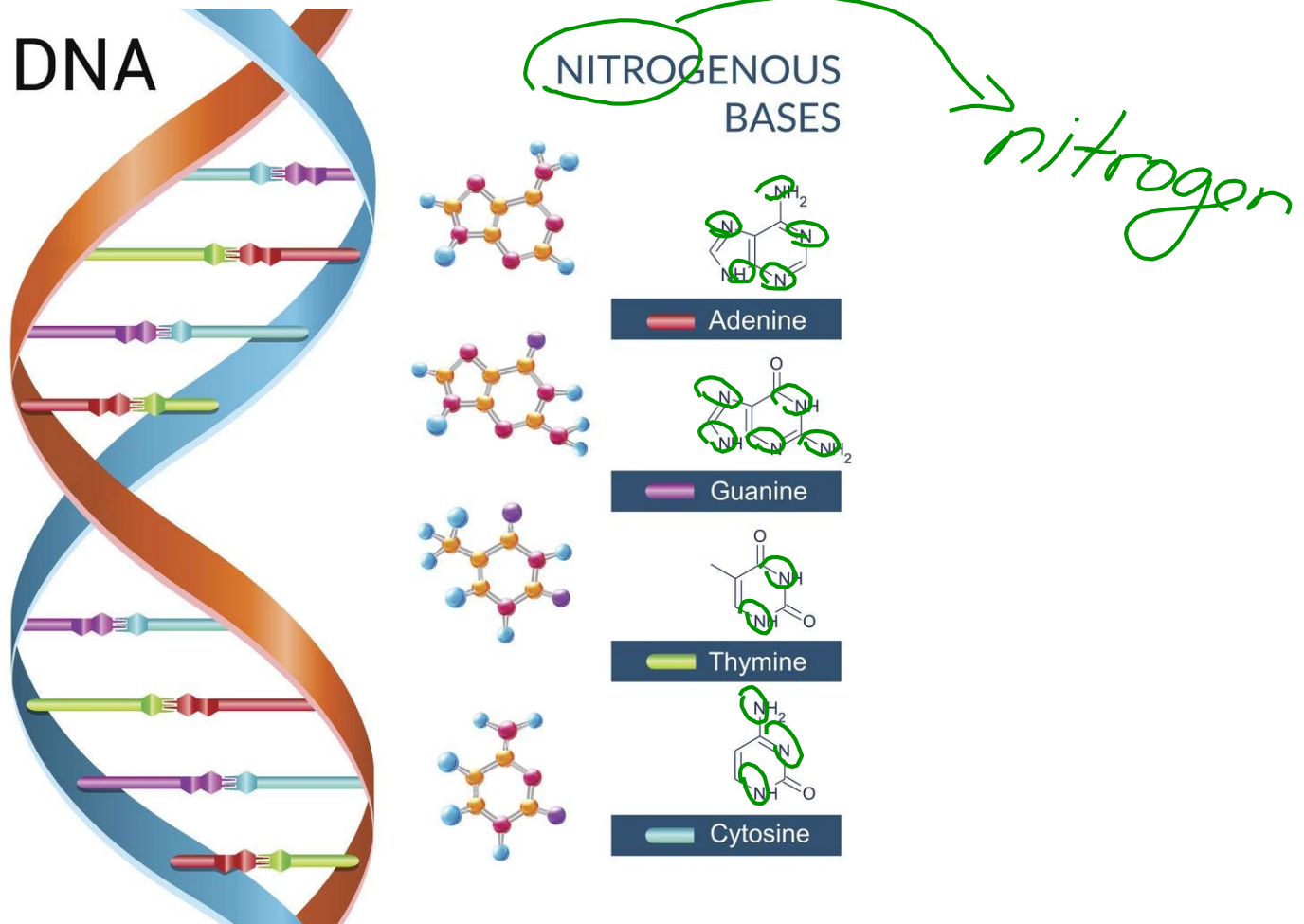
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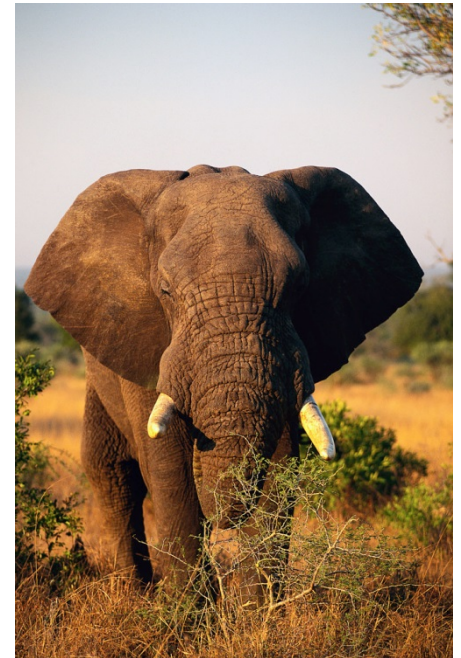
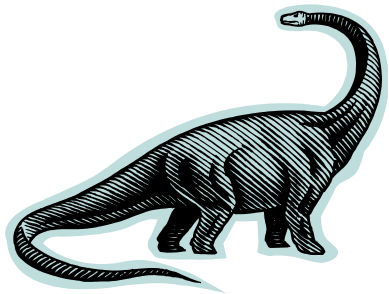
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Change over time: **adaptations**

→ behavior
→ physical trait

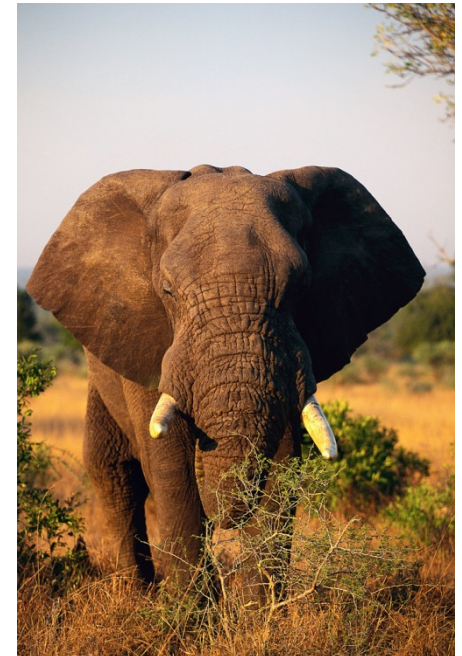
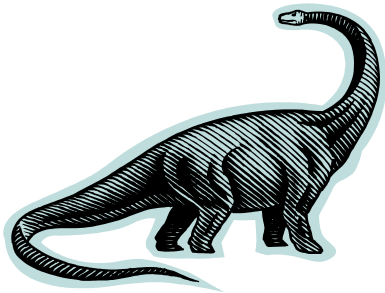
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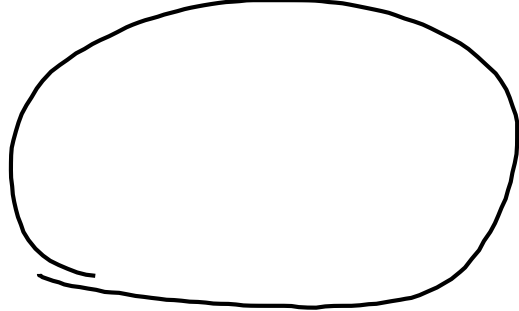
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→ general type

→ specific type





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① 3 characteristics
of life (living things)

② Homeostasis?

③ Purpose of DNA?

④ Why important for your
body to maintain a consistent
temperature?

What's a Stimulus?

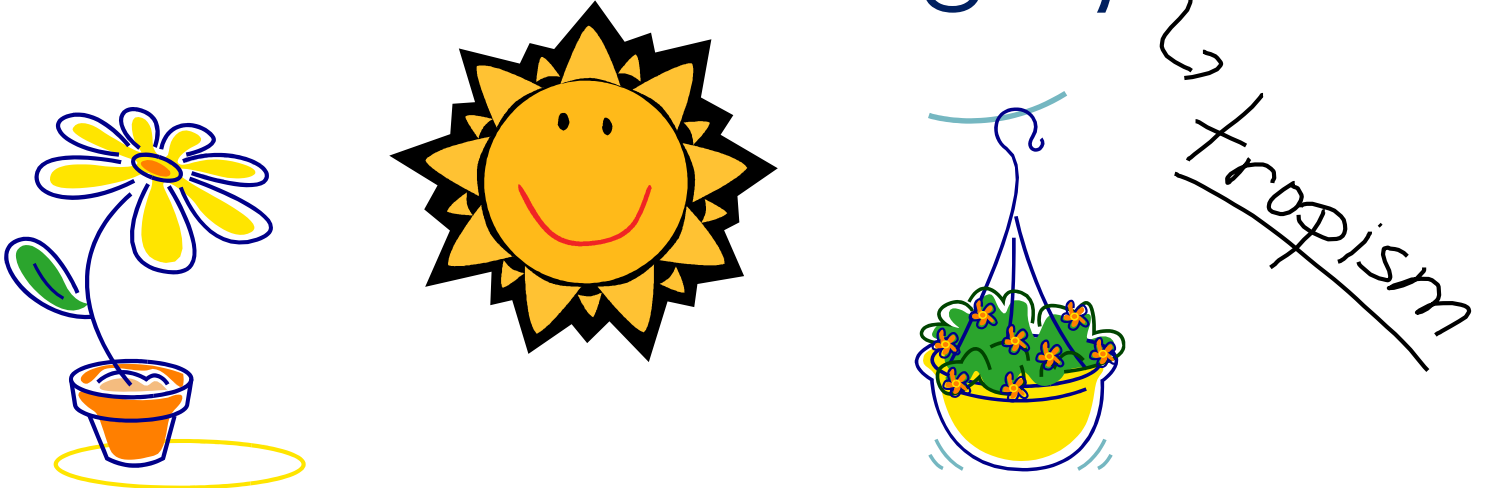
Stimulus – something that causes an internal or external reaction or response

- Fever as a **response** to an infection, the immune system is fighting the “invader”
- Increased heart rate from physical exercise

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- Plants growing toward a window (direction of the sunlight)



Carnivorous Plants

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 - Vore - *eater*
- * adaptation
due to nutrient
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Bladderwort

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- heterotroph - *feeds on something else (insects)*

photosynthesis

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Limiting factors → low/little nitrogen

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photo-synthesis

● autotroph
producer

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Sundew → grows in poor soil

↓
has enzymes ⇒ chemicals
for building,
breaking down,
or repairing

these are
for digesting
insects → attracted
by scent or color

- homeostasis
- enzyme
- autotroph (producer)
→
- heterotroph (consumer)
→
- vitamin/mineral

Arctic poppy



exhibit phototropism

flower
"moves"
with the position of
the sun

↓
light

↓
growth or
response
of a plant
to something in
its environment.

Uni or Multi – Cellular?

Uni: one **Multi:** many

Unicellular:

made of one cell

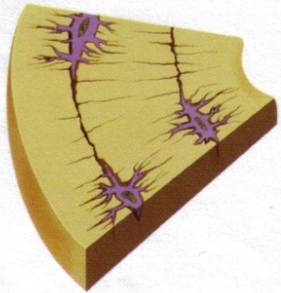
Multicellular:

made of many cells

1 Exploring Levels of Organization in the Body



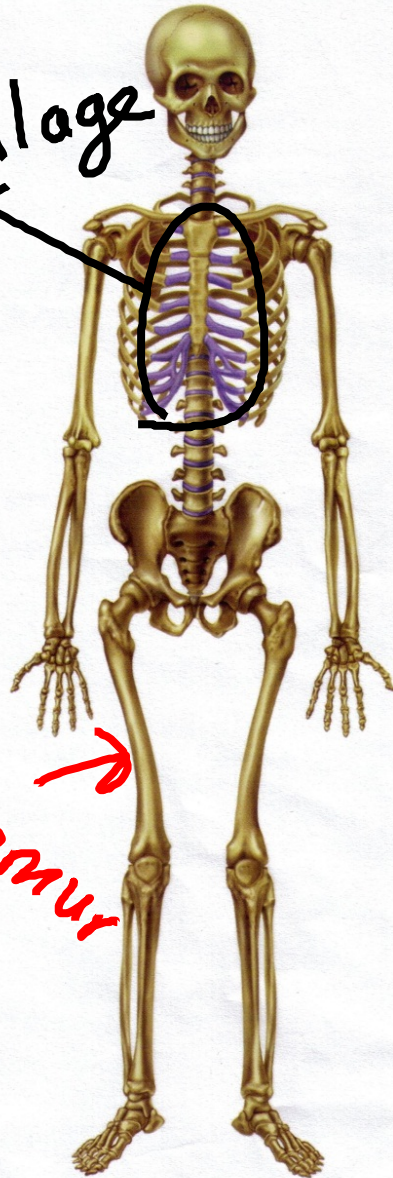
1 Cell



2 Tissue



3 Organ



4 Organ System

Cartilage

femur

cell → smallest living part of the body.

tissue - "layer" of the same kind of cell.

organ = part of the body

Recap

1. Plants exhibit tropisms – such as **phototropism** and **gravitropism**.
What is a **tropism**?
2. What is the difference between a **vitamin** and **mineral**?
3. Name 3 **bio(macro)molecules**.
4. Explain the difference between **kinds** and **species**.

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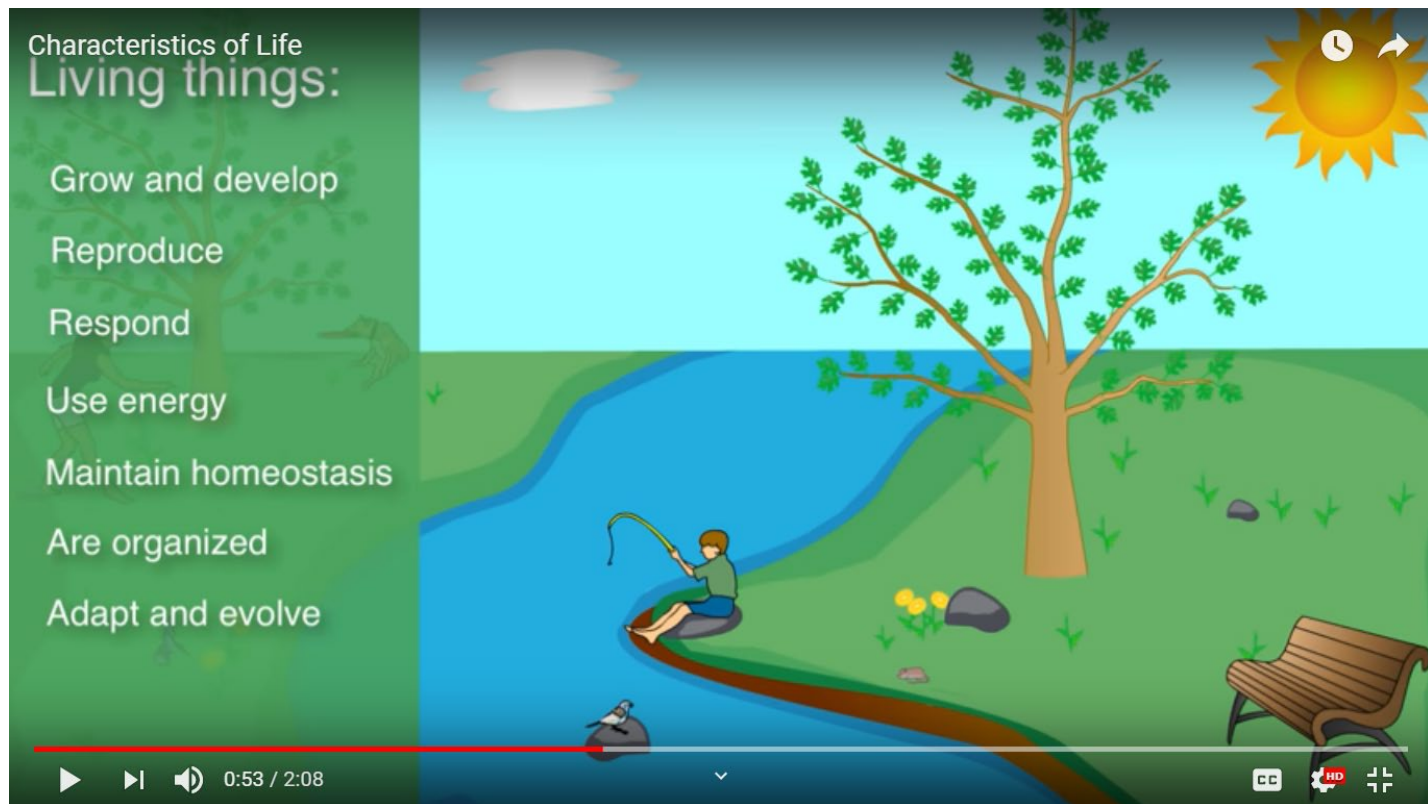
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(explained in this video)
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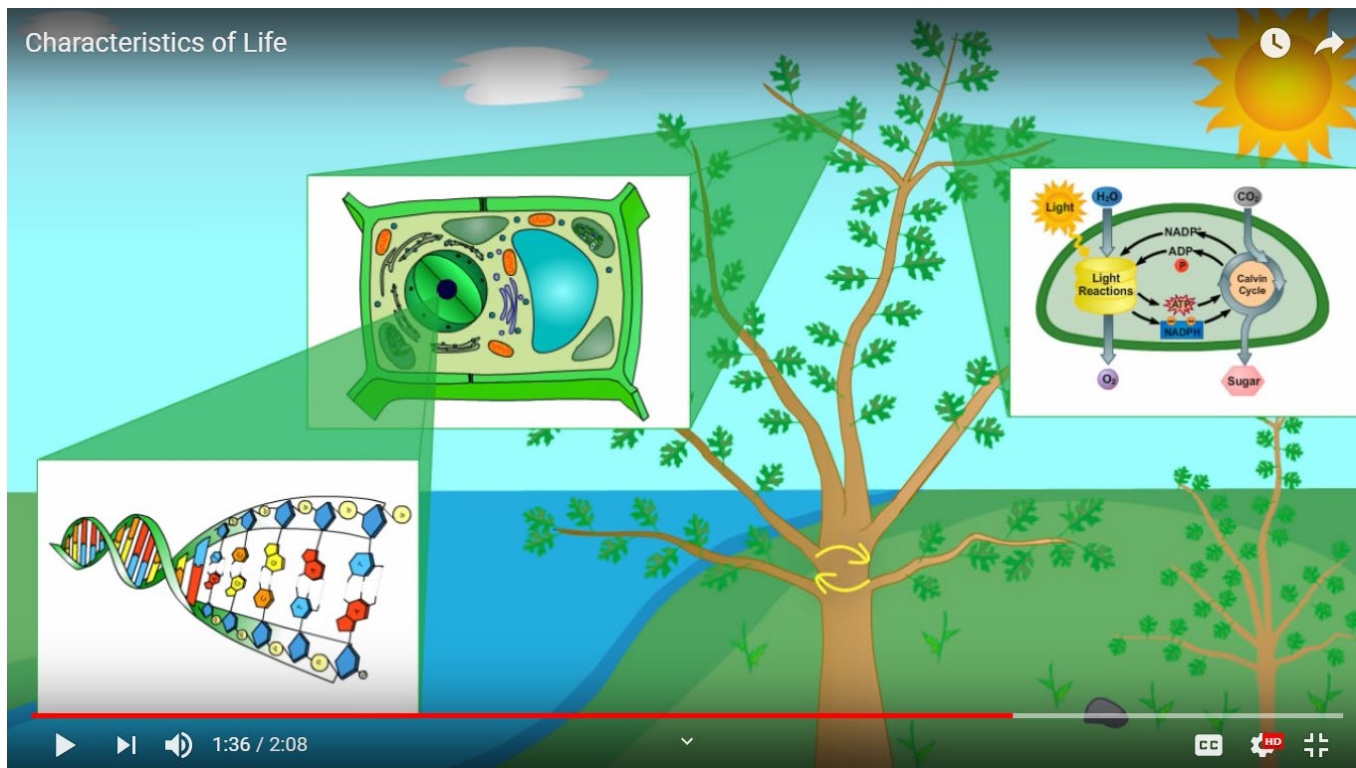
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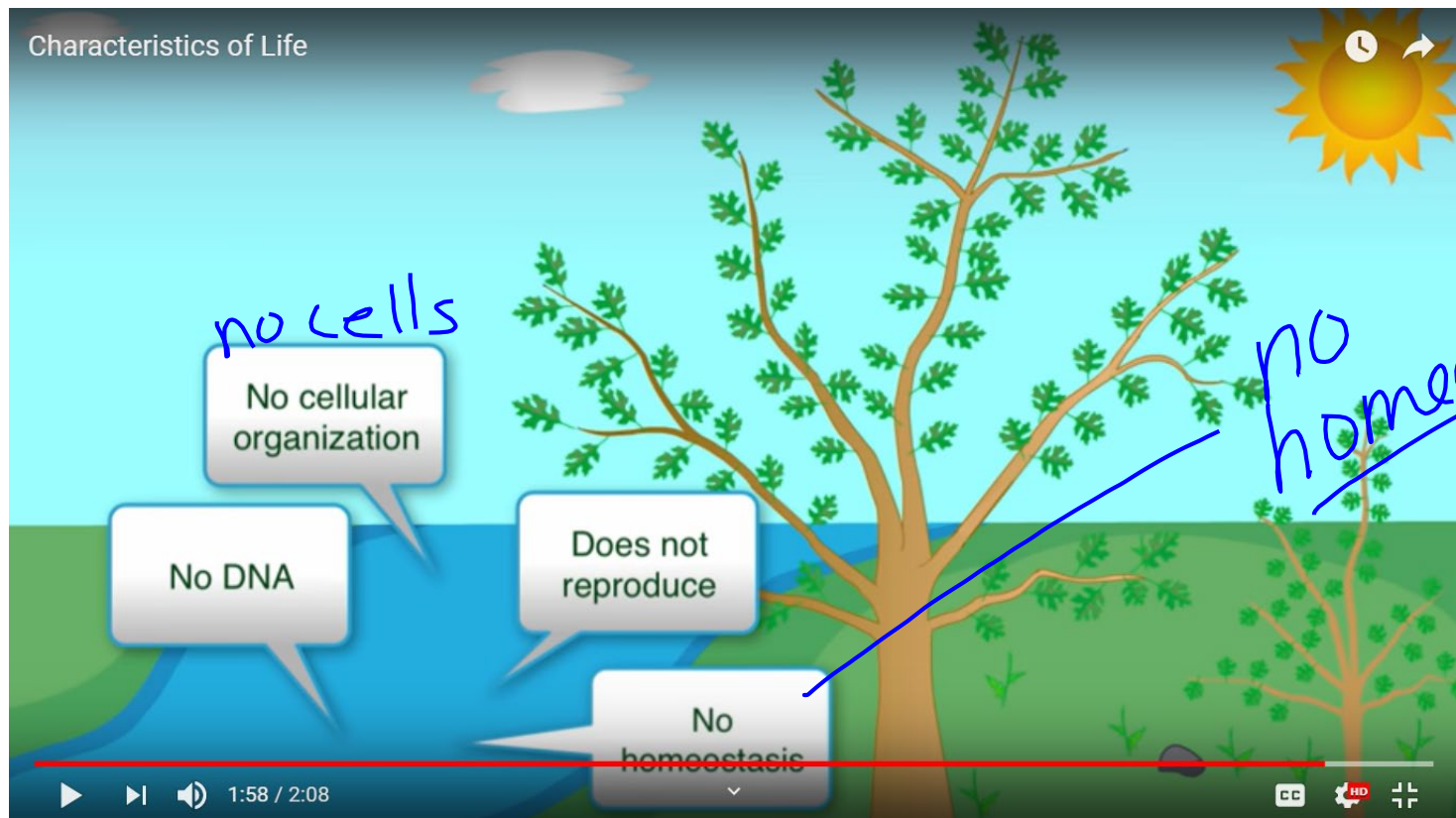
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Organisms are Organized

System: group of “parts” that work together for a common **function**. Each “part” has its own unique job

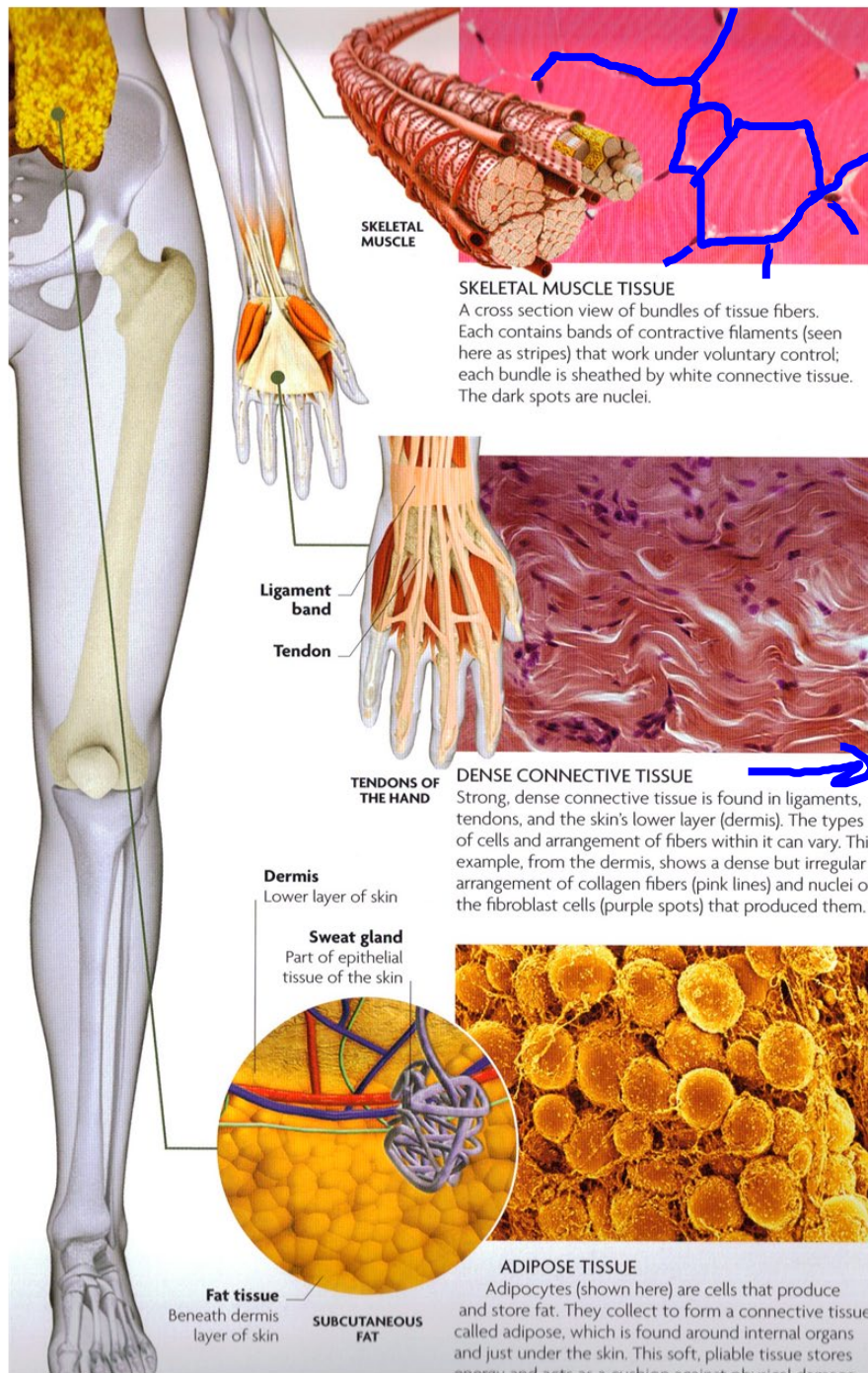
Organ: part of the body, made of layers of **tissues**

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Tissue: “layer” of the same type of **cell**

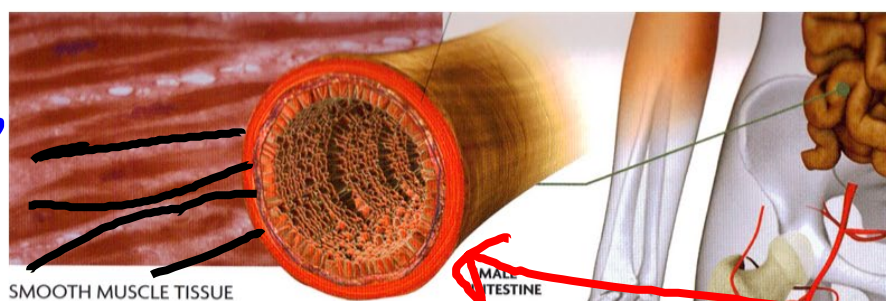
Cell: – smallest “living” part of the body that carries out the basic functions of life

connective



ligaments
tendons
cartilage

digestive
organs



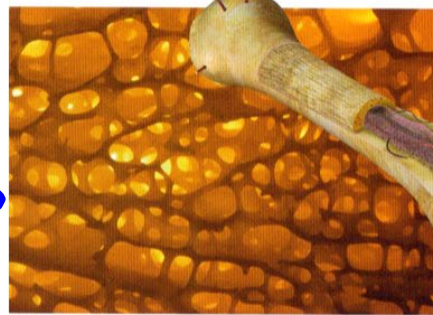
SMOOTH MUSCLE TISSUE

A microscope image showing long, slim muscle fibers in smooth muscle tissue. These contract involuntarily and are found with varying fiber orientations in multiple layers within the walls of many tubular internal parts, such as the airways, blood vessels, and intestines.

SMALL
INTESTINE

soft
tissue

hard
tissue →



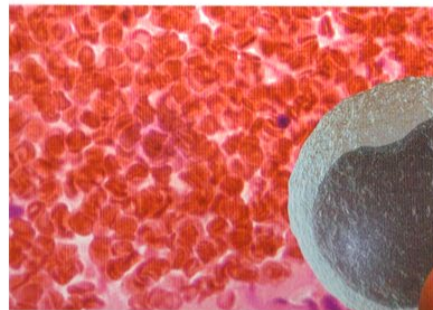
Compact bone

Spongy bone

SPONGY BONE TISSUE

Most bones contain spongy (cancellous) bone encased in a dense "shell" of compact (cortical) bone. Spongy bone has a lightweight honeycomb-like structure composed of "bars" and "cross-spikes" of tissue that accommodates bone marrow in its large open spaces.

STRUCTURE OF A LONG BONE



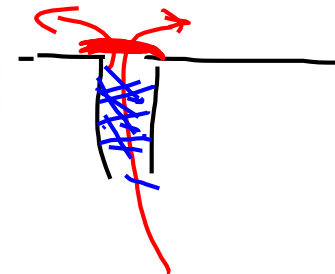
WHITE BLOOD CELL

RED BLOOD CELL

PLATELET

BLOOD

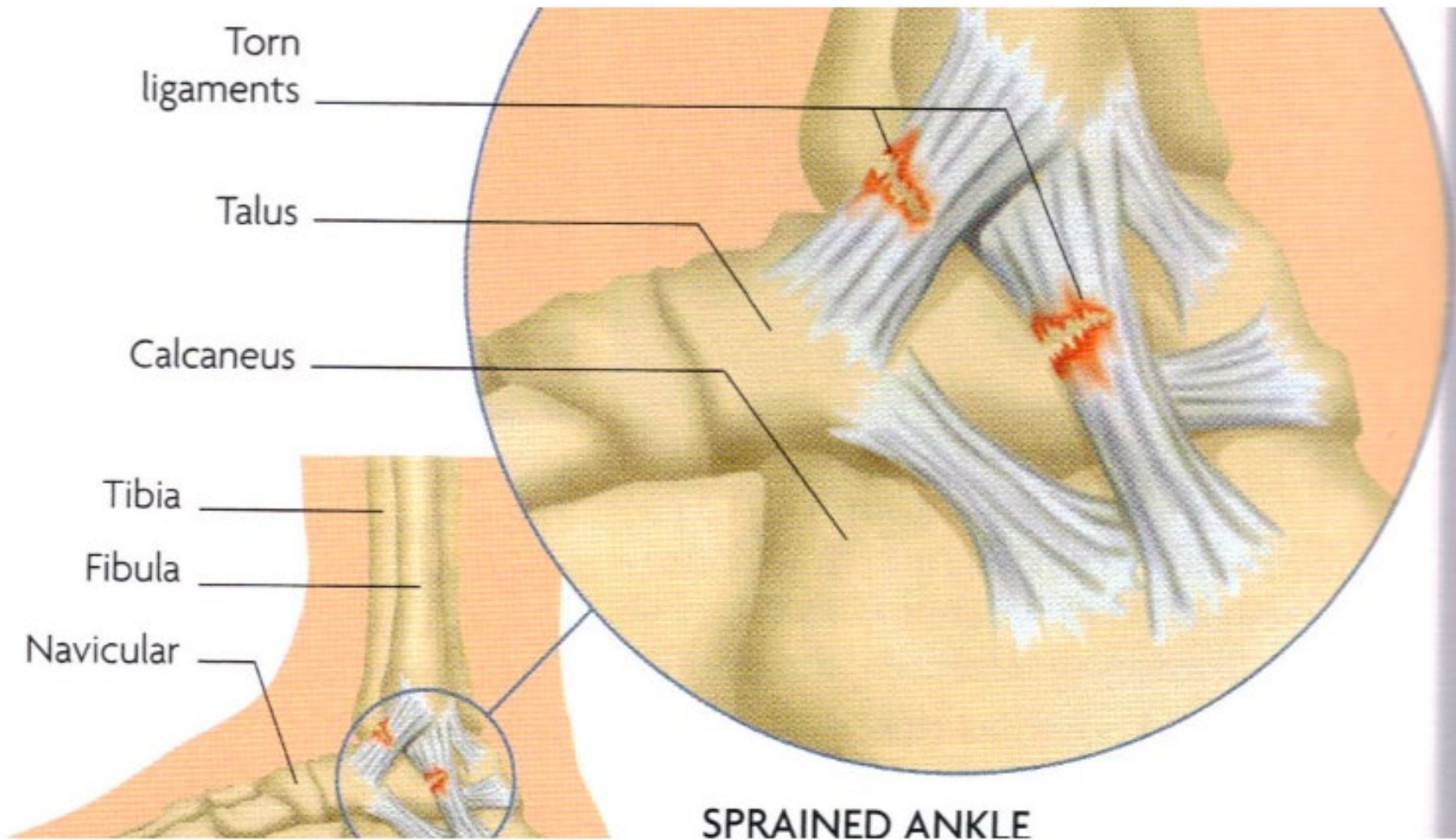
Blood is a formless, fluid connective tissue. Its main component is liquid plasma, which carries three major cell types. Red cells (shown in this micrograph) transport oxygen; white cells fight disease; and platelets, which are cell fragments, help with blood clotting.



Tissues - "layers" of cells

cells → tissues → organs →
(muscle cells) (skeletal muscle) (bicep muscle)

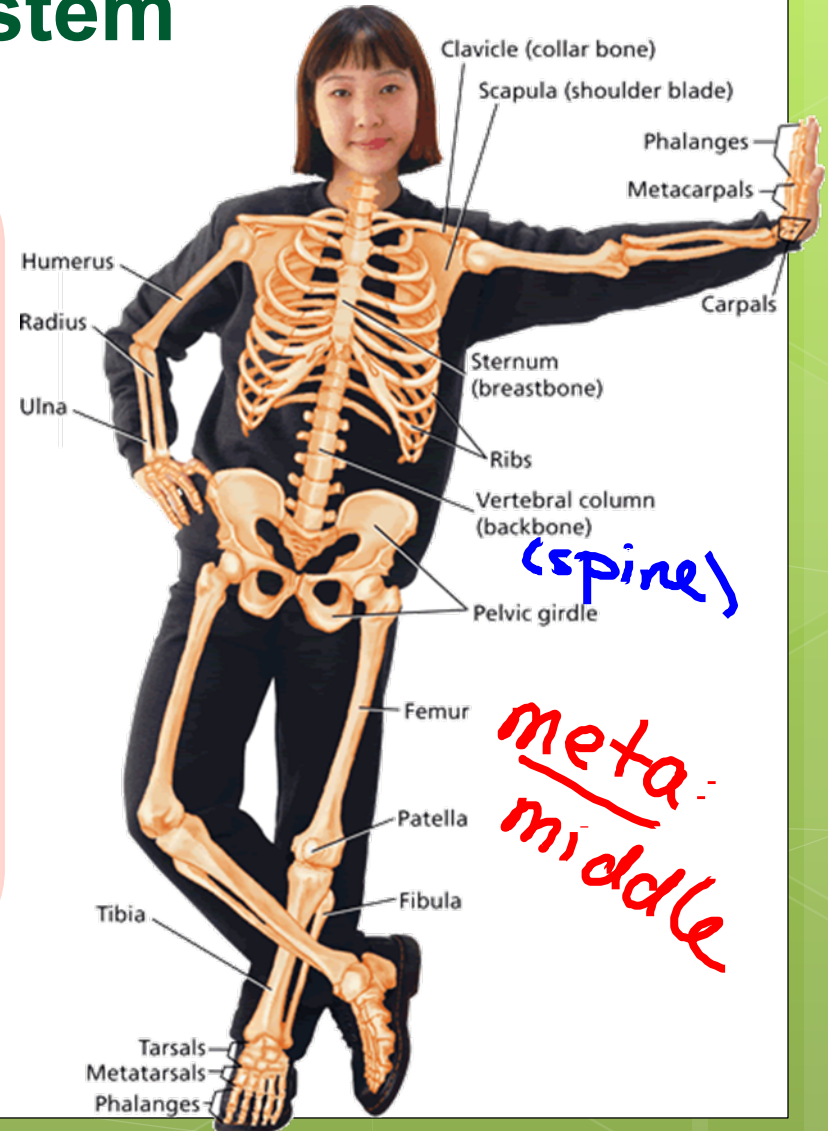
organ system → organism
(musculoskeletal system) → (you)

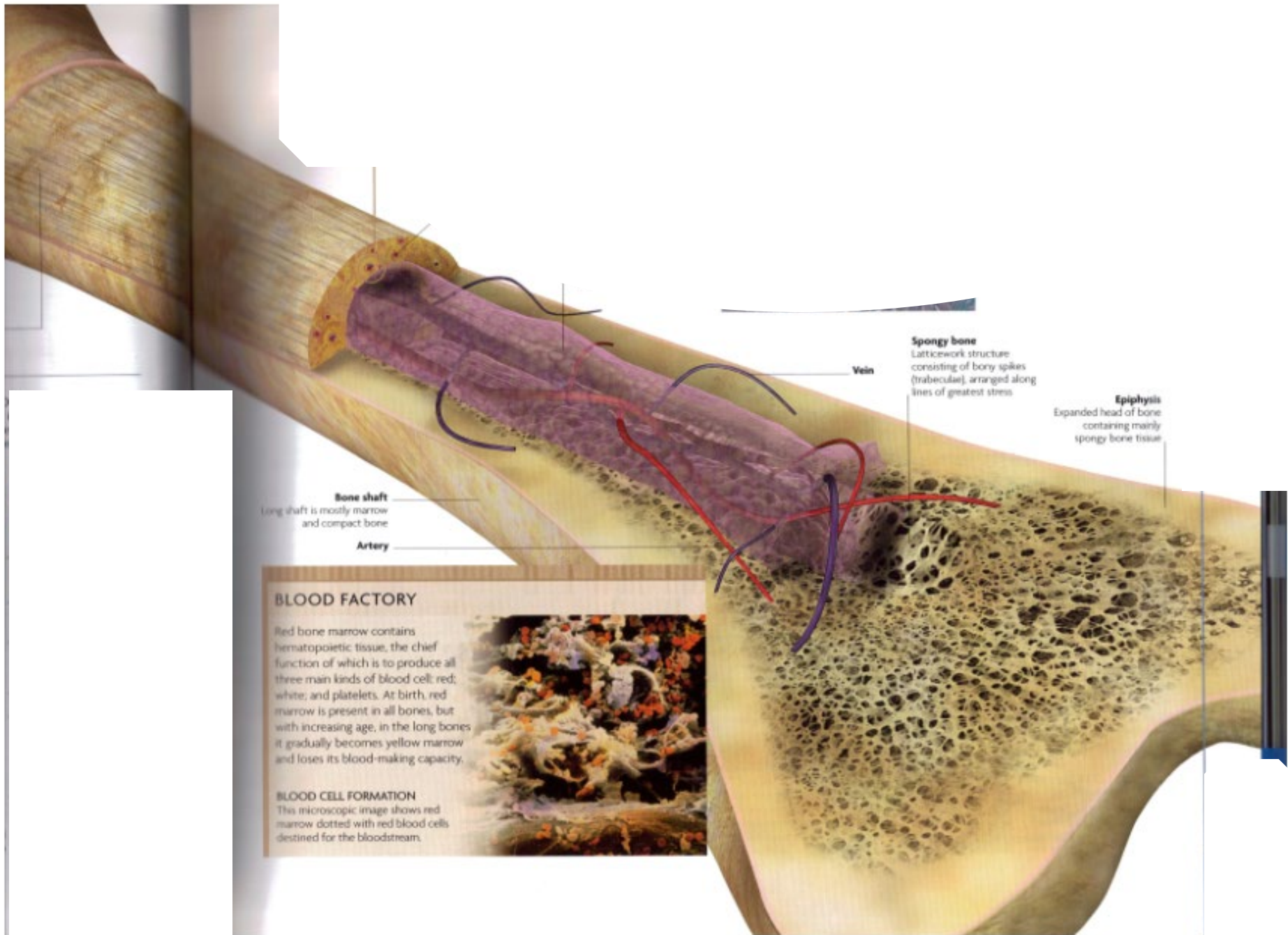


Skeletal System

5 major functions

- provides shape and support
- enables you to move
- protects your organs
- produces blood cells
- stores minerals





Bone shaft
Long shaft is mostly marrow
and compact bone

Artery

Vein

Spongy bone
Latticework structure
consisting of bony spikes
(trabeculae), arranged along
lines of greatest stress

Epiphysis
Expanded head of bone
containing mainly
spongy bone tissue

BLOOD FACTORY

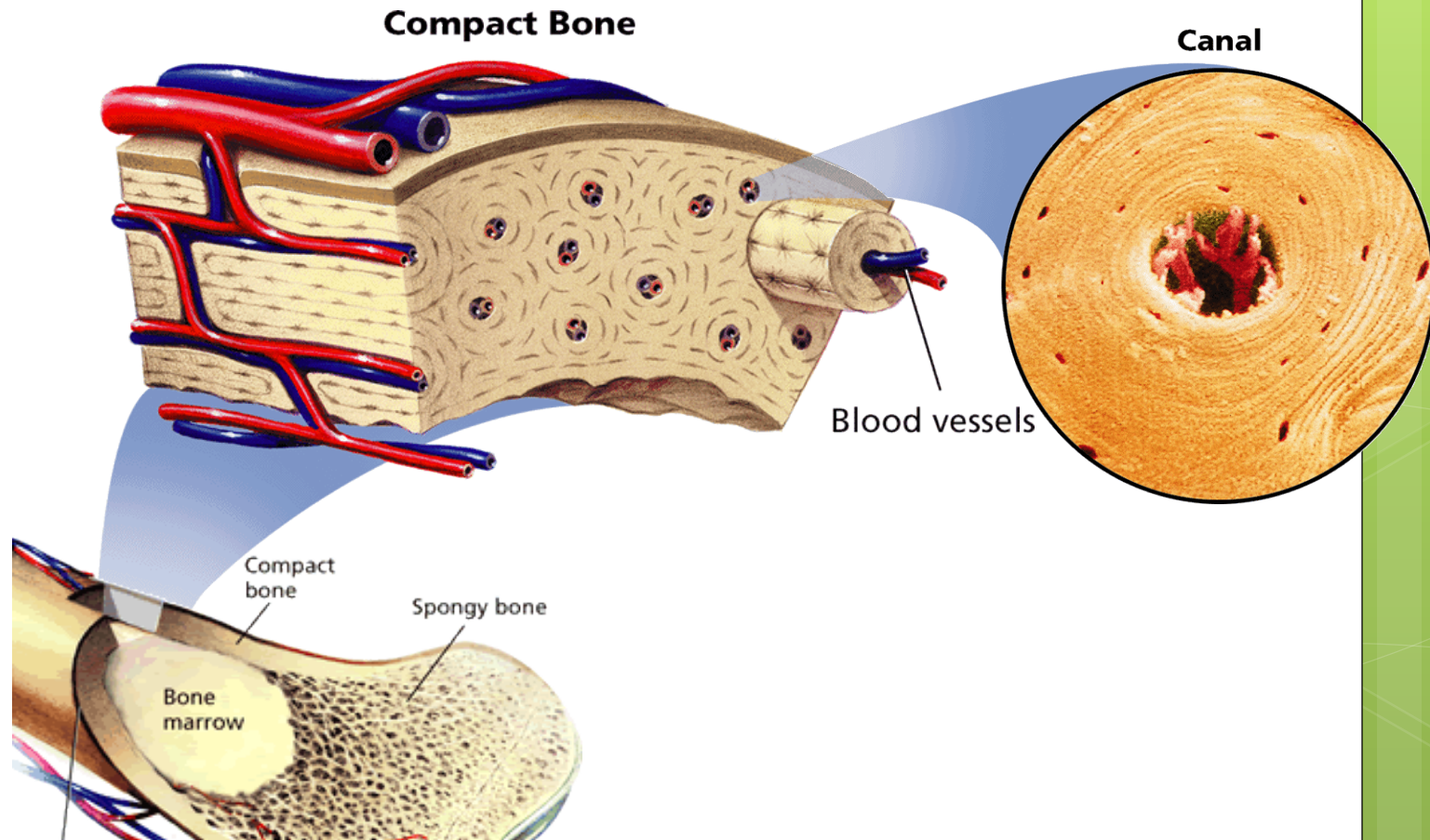
Red bone marrow contains hematopoietic tissue, the chief function of which is to produce all three main kinds of blood cell: red; white; and platelets. At birth, red marrow is present in all bones, but with increasing age, in the long bones it gradually becomes yellow marrow and loses its blood-making capacity.

BLOOD CELL FORMATION

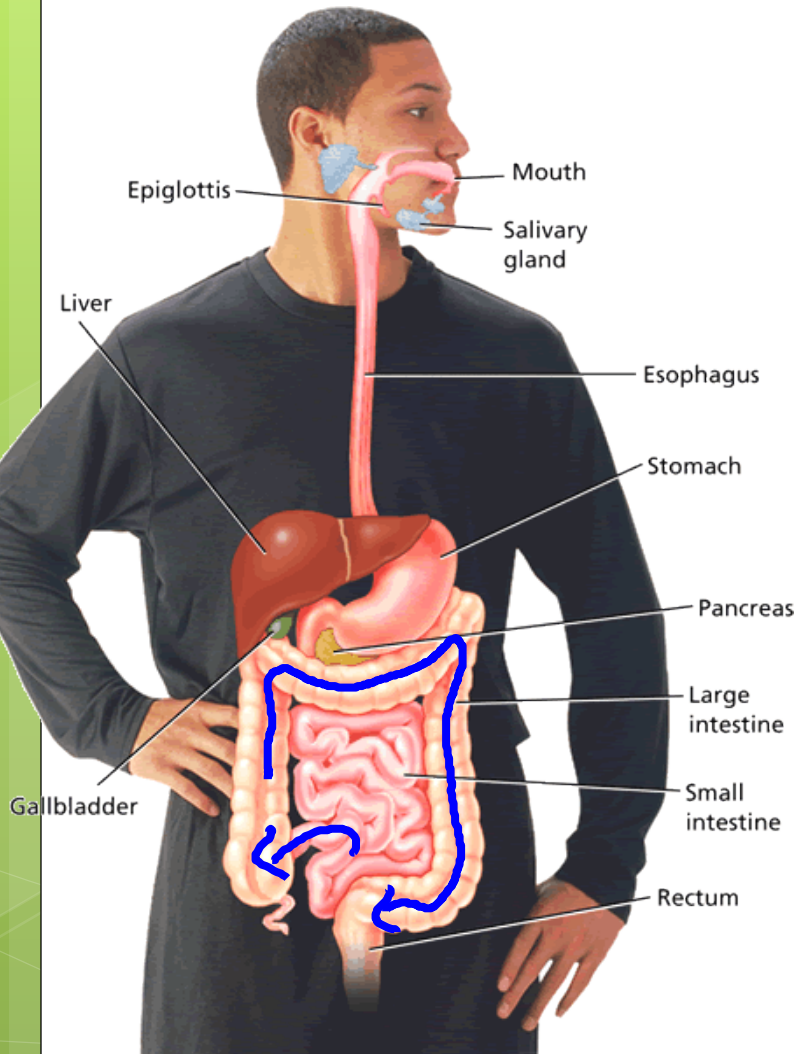
This microscopic image shows red marrow dotted with red blood cells destined for the bloodstream.



- Bones are complex living structures that undergo growth and development.



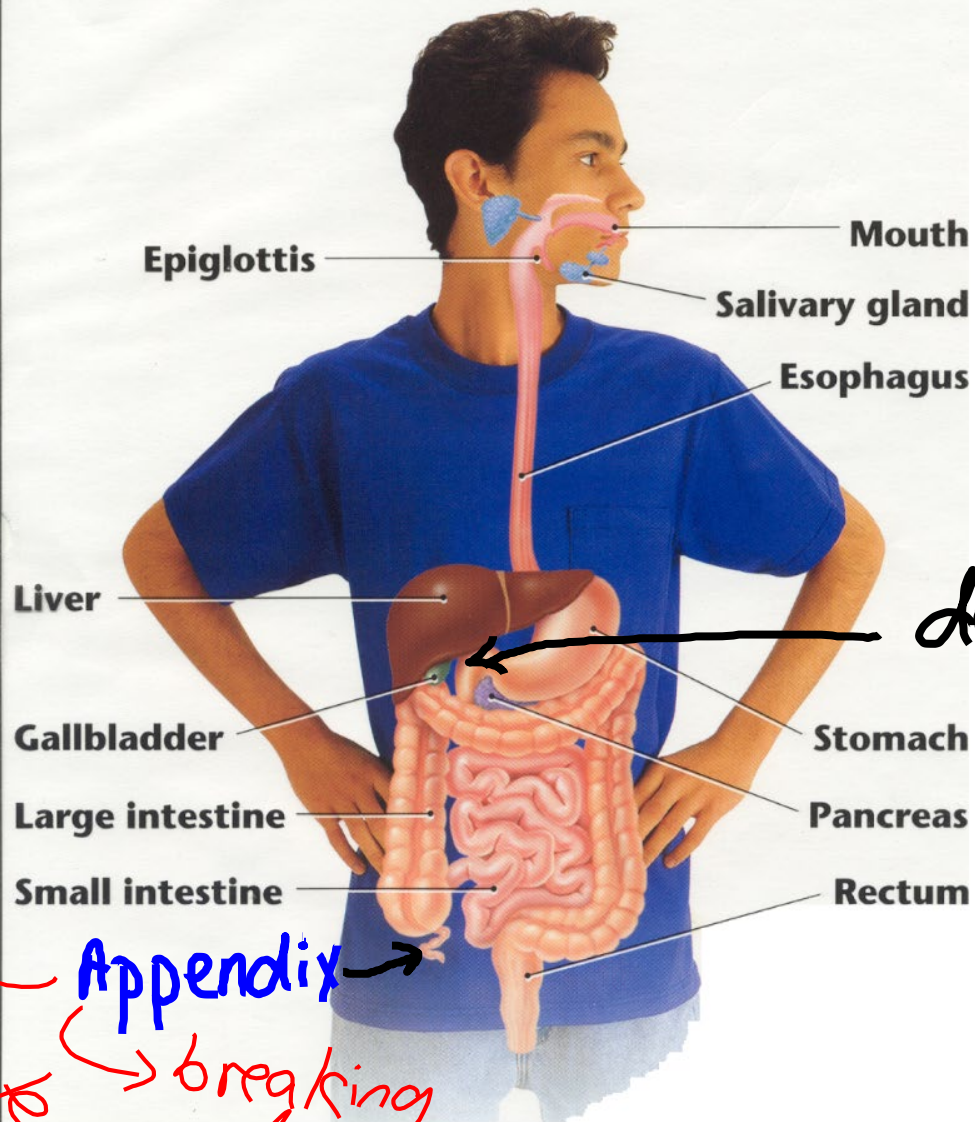
Digestive System

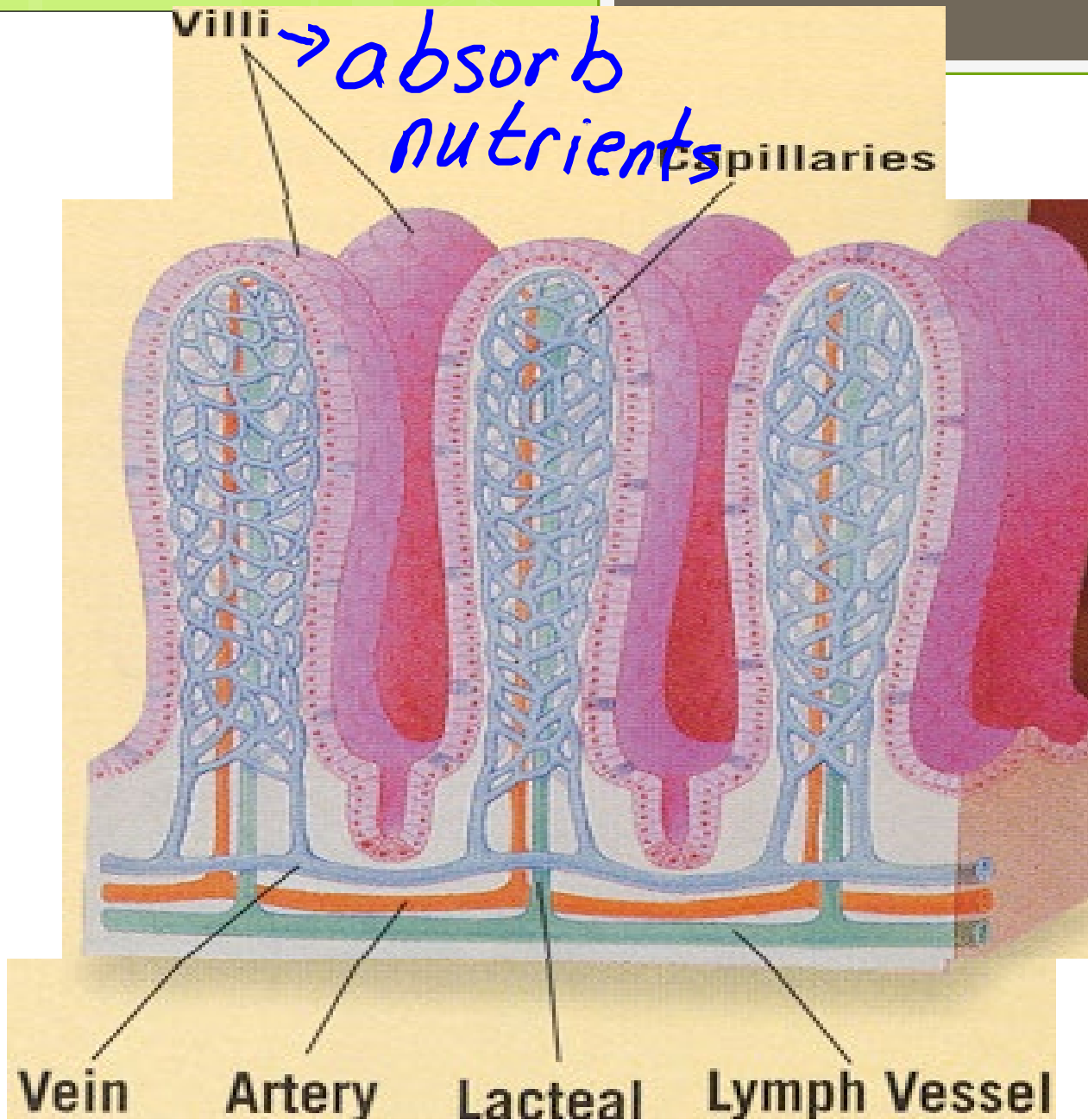


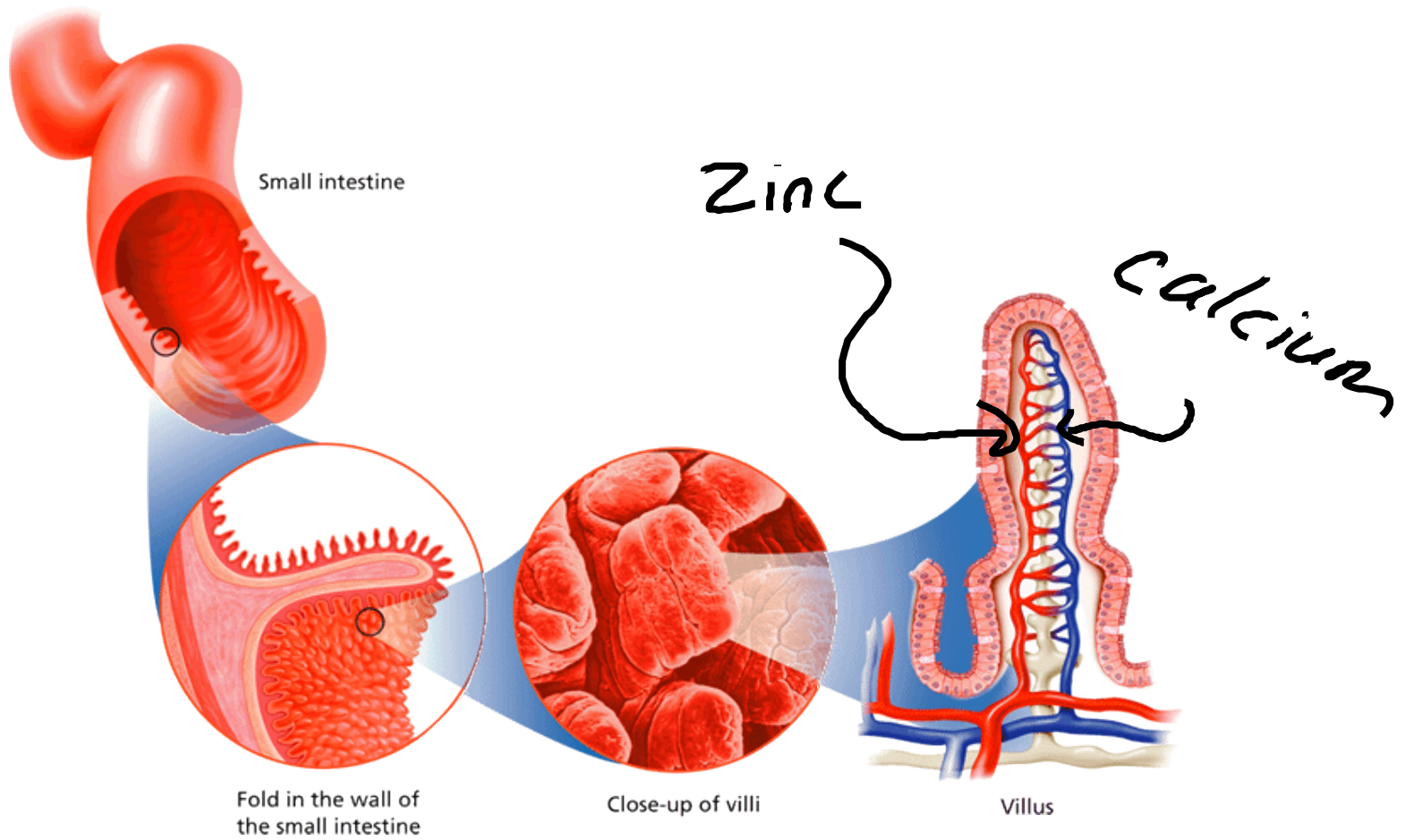
○ Digestive System Processes:

- **Ingestion:** taking in the food
- **Digestion:** break down food into nutrient molecules
- **absorption:** of nutrients into the blood stream
- **elimination:** of waste

The Digestive System







system → group of "parts" that
work together for a
specific purpose.

model → represents, looks like, mimics,
or explains something

8 Characteristics of Life

List the 8 characteristics of life explained in this video.

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- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nhAR9MTWEed8>

