

Functions of the Human Body

The human body contains organ systems that are responsible for different functions. They all must work together to keep you alive and healthy.

Brain

The organ that forms parts of the central nervous system. The brain controls everything in our body including actions, emotions, personality, memory, language, and movement.

Liver

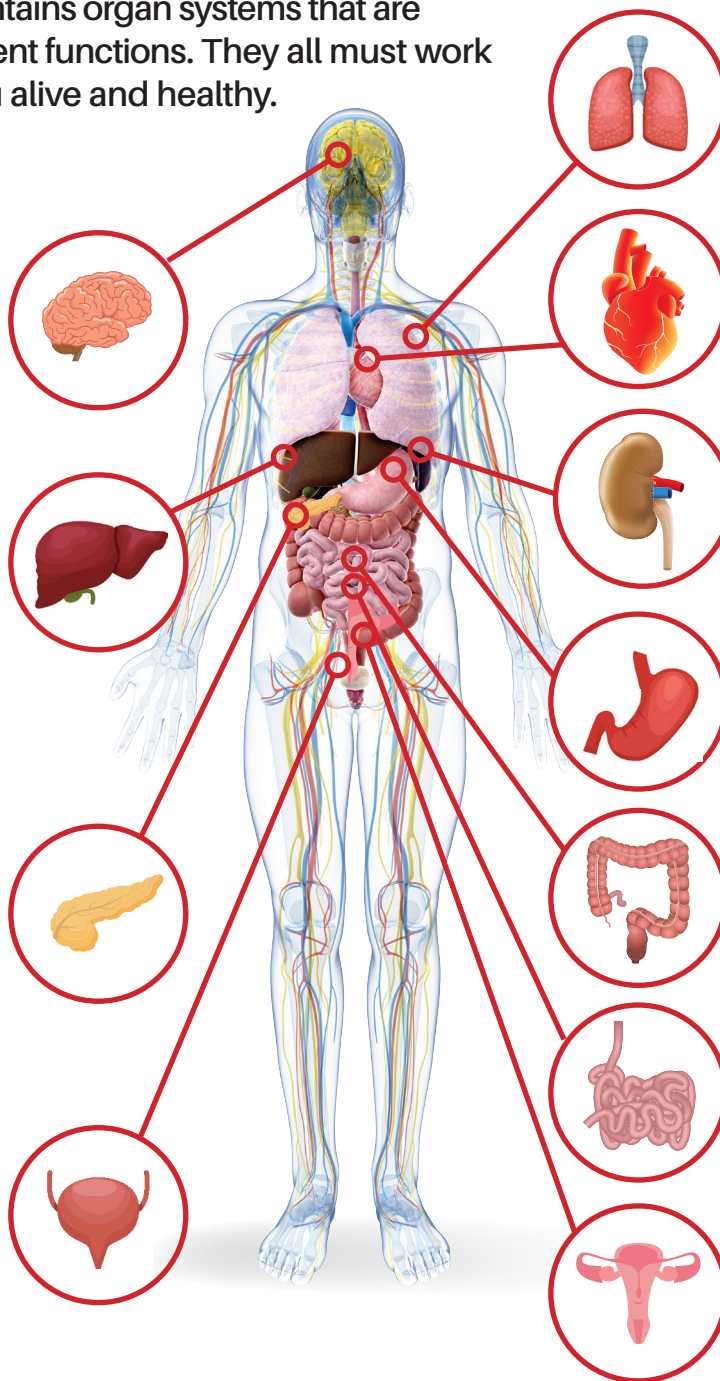
The largest glandular organ in the body. This reddish-brown organ has many functions. It filters toxins from the body, provides bile to help with digestion, stores vitamins and minerals, and helps control blood sugar levels.

Pancreas

The glandular organ that secretes hormones and digestive enzymes. It produces insulin which helps manage levels of sugar in the blood stream.

Bladder

An elastic organ which holds urine removed from the kidneys. The bladder stores urine before it is discharged from the body.



Lungs

The lungs bring oxygen into the body and remove carbon dioxide from the blood stream.

Heart

The muscular organ that pumps blood through the entire body. It delivers blood, oxygen and nourishment to muscles and organs.

Kidneys

A pair of reddish-brown bean-shaped organs. Their main function is to remove wastes (e.g. excess salts and sugars) from the body through the production of urine.

Stomach

The pear-shaped organ that plays a major role in food digestion.

Large Intestine

The main job of this organ is to absorb water and salts from your food after the small intestine has absorbed most of the other nutrients.

Small Intestine

The major organ for chemical food breakdown and nutrient absorption.

Ovaries

The female reproductive organ comprised of two oval-shaped glands which produce eggs and hormones.

