

## Topic 4 Worksheet: Digestion

1. Indicate which of the following statements describe **mechanical or chemical transformations**.

- a) Teeth grind up ingested food **mechanical**
- b) Muscle contractions push food from esophagus to stomach **mechanical**
- c) Enzymes in the stomach change protein into amino acids **chemical**
- d) Stomach churns food and changes it into chime **mechanical**
- e) Saliva changes starch into glucose **chemical**
- f) Bile allows for the emulsion of fats **mechanical**
- g) Saliva softens food **mechanical**

2. Fill out the following table:

Part of Digestive Tract	Mechanical Transformation	Chemical secretion
Mouth	Mastication	Salivary amylase
Esophagus	<b>peristalsis</b>	none
Stomach	<b>Peristalsis and churning</b>	<b>Gastric juices, pepsin, HCl</b>
Liver	none	<b>Bile (not an enzyme)</b>
pancreas	none	<b>Pancreatic juices and insulin</b>
Small intestine	<b>Peristalsis and churning</b>	<b>Intestinal enzymes</b>
Large intestine	<b>peristalsis</b>	none

3. Name the four stages of digestion.

**Ingestion, digestion, absorption, elimination of waste**

4. Define the following terms:

- a) **Digestion: transformation of complex molecules contained in food into simpler molecules that the body can use.**
- b) **Absorption: nutrients obtained through digestion must be absorbed to be used by the blood and lymphatic system.**

5. A) What do we call the transport of nutrients from the digestive tract to the blood and lymph? **absorption**

B) Explain where this process takes place and how. **Small intestine absorbs the simplified products of carbs, proteins and fats (simple glucose, fatty acids, glycerol, simple amino acids)**

6. Why does digestion take place? **for foods to be absorbed it must be broken down into smaller nutrients**

7. A) Name the **enzymes that act on carbohydrates, lipids and proteins.**

**Carbs: salivary amylase and pancreatic and intestinal enzymes**

**Protein: gastric, pepsin, (HCl) pancreatic and intestinal enzymes**

**Fats: Bile, pancreatic and intestinal enzymes**

B) **Where** does the chemical breakdown of these nutrients take place?

**Carbs – mouth and small intestine**

**Protein- stomach and small intestine**

**Fat- small intestine**

C) What are the **simple nutrients** that are formed through digestion?

**Simple glucose, simple amino acids and fatty acids and glycerol**

8. When food passes through the digestive system, it undergoes two types of transformations. Name the two types. Explain what happens to the food during these two types of digestion.

**Mechanical: breaks food down physically into smaller pieces or simply moves food through the digestive tract**

**Chemical: the molecular breakdown of food molecules into their simplest form to make absorption possible**

10. Identify the glands and organs described below:

a) produces bile **liver**

b) runs along the vertebral column and is connected to the stomach **esophagus**

c) produce saliva **salivary glands**

d) entrance to the digestive tract **mouth**

e) last section of the digestive tract ending at the anus **rectum**

f) J-shaped pocket located on the left side of the abdomen **stomach**

g) Glands dispersed throughout the inner surface of the stomach **gastric glands**

h) Organ common to the digestive and respiratory tract **pharynx**

i) Leaf shaped, located beneath the stomach **pancreas**

- j) A long tube that is folded several times and is located in the abdomen **small intestine**
- k) Digestive glands located in the small intestine **intestinal glands**

11. What happens during absorption of nutrients? **The nutrients pass through the intestines and enter the blood and lymphatic systems to be transported to areas of the body where they are needed and provide energy.**

12. Complete the following table:

<b>Food</b>	<b>Digestive enzymes that break this food down</b>	<b>Nutrient obtained</b>
Bread contains: <b>carbs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- salivary enzymes</li> <li>- <b>pancreatic</b></li> <li>- <b>intestinal</b></li> </ul>	Glucose
Steak contains <b>protein</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- pancreatic enzymes (insulin)</li> <li>- intestinal enzymes</li> <li>- <b>gastric enzymes and pepsin</b></li> </ul>	<b>Amino acids</b>
Mayonnaise contains <b>fats</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- intestinal enzymes</li> <li>- <b>bile</b></li> </ul>	Glycerol and <b>fatty acids</b>

13. What are the glands of the digestive system? **Liver, pancreas, gastric glands, intestinal glands, salivary glands**

14. Explain how the liver and pancreas play a role in digestion. **Liver secretes bile which is important to emulsify fats and the pancreas secretes pancreatic enzymes and insulin.**

13. What is the function of bile? **Emulsify fats**

14. What is the difference between a carbohydrate, a glucose molecule and a simple glucose molecule? **Carbohydrate is the nutrient we initially absorb, glucose is when digestion has started, simple glucose is when the nutrient is ready to be absorbed.**

15. Fill in the table by describing the physical breakdown occurring in each area.

Mouth	Esophagus	Stomach	Small intestine	Large intestine
<b>Chewing and insalivation</b>	<b>Peristalsis</b>	<b>Peristalsis and churning</b>	<b>Peristalsis and churning</b>	<b>peristalsis</b>

16. Fill in the table by stating all the chemical breakdowns that occur for each nutrient.

	Where 1 <sup>st</sup> bd begins	Gland responsible	Enzyme secreted	Nutrient becomes
Carbs.	Mouth	Salivary	Amylase	Smaller chains of glucose
Protein	Stomach	Gastric glands	Pepsin and gastric juices	Smaller chains of amino acids
Fat	Small intestine	Liver	Bile	Small bits of fat

17. Why can protein only be absorbed in the small intestine and not the stomach?

It has not completed the digestion process until it has gone into small intestine

18. What structure is common to both the respiratory and digestive system? **pharynx**

19. List, in order, the structures that food would have to pass through within the digestive tract.

Mouth, pharynx, esophagus, stomach, small intestine, large intestine, rectum and anus

**20. Answer the following questions bellow:**

1. What is the end product starch digestion?
2. What is the end product protein digestion?
3. What is the end product fat digestion?
4. Where does starch digestion begin?
5. Where is starch digestion completed?
6. Where does protein digestion begin?
7. Where is protein digestion completed?
8. Where does fat digestion begin?
9. Where is fat digestion completed?

1. Simple glucose

2. Simple amino acids

3. Fatty acids and glycerol

4. Mouth

5. Small intestine

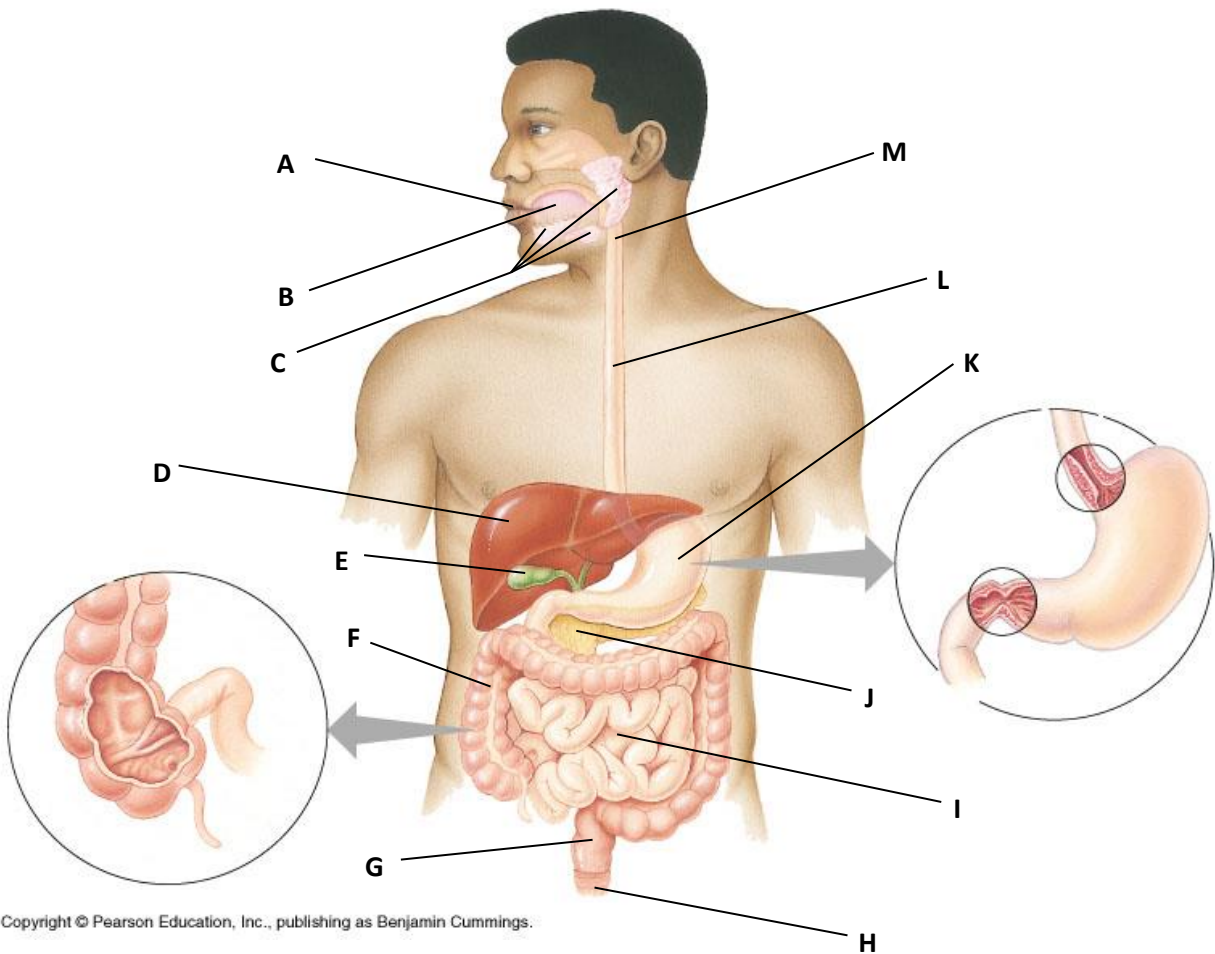
6. Stomach

7. Small intestine

8. Small intestine

9. Small intestine

21. Part 1: Match the name of each organ with the letter that represents it on the diagram below.



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| ___ 1. Stomach             | ___ 9. Esophagus        |
| ___ 2. Gall bladder        | ___ 10. Tongue          |
| ___ 3. Oral cavity (mouth) | ___ 11. Small intestine |
| ___ 4. Liver               | ___ 12. Pharynx         |
| ___ 5. Large intestine     | ___ 13. Anus            |
| ___ 6. Rectum              |                         |
| ___ 7. Salivary glands     |                         |
| ___ 8. Pancreas            |                         |

1. K 2. E 3. A 4. D 5. F 6. G 7. C 8. J 9. L 10. B 11. I 12. M 13. H

**Part 2: Using the key choices below, match the description given with the structure in the alimentary canal that it describes. Choices may be used more than once.**

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| A. Anus                     | F. Liver               | K. Salivary Glands  |
| B. Villi                    | G. Mouth (Oral cavity) | L. Small intestines |
| C. Esophagus                | H. Pancreas            | M. Stomach          |
| D. Gallbladder              | I. Pharynx             | N. Tongue           |
| E. Large Intestines (Colon) | J. Rectum              | O. Teeth            |
|                             |                        | P. Peristalsis      |

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Stores bile, which physically breaks down fat into droplets, until it is secreted.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Fingerlike extensions in intestinal wall that increase surface area and absorb nutrients
3. used to cut, tear, and grind food; adult has 32
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Organ that mixes food in the mouth.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Common passage for food and air.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Literally a food chute; it has no digestive or absorptive role.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Produces a juice that neutralizes stomach acid and contains digestive enzymes.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Organ responsible for absorption of most nutrients.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Organ primarily involved in water absorption and feces formation.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Organ in which protein digestion begins.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. Organ into which the stomach empties.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. Organ that receives pancreatic juice and bile.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. Opening through which feces are expelled from the body.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. Produces bile.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15. Produce enzymes that begin carbohydrate digestion.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 16. Stores feces until they are excreted.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 17. Digestion begins when salivary gland secretions enter this
- \_\_\_\_\_ 18. Muscular movement involving the walls of the digestive tract that serve to mix materials and move them along the tract

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