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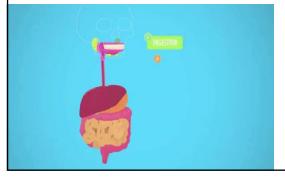
Chapter 6 The Digestive System

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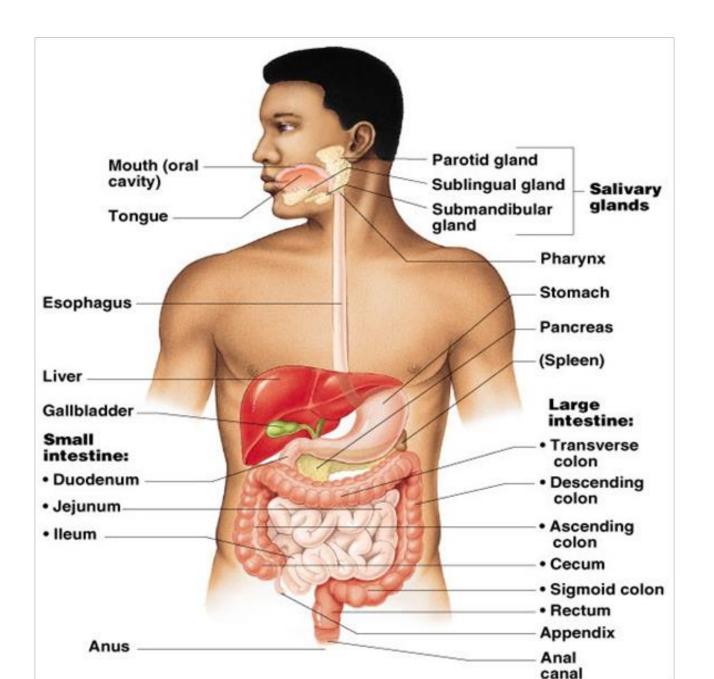
•Digestion



- Absorption
 - Passage of nutrients into the blood
- Metabolism
 - Production of cellular energy (ATP)

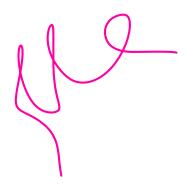
Organs of the Digestive System

- Two main groups
- Alimentary canal continuous coiled hollow tube
- Accessory digestive organs



Organs of the Alimentary Canal

- Mouth
- Pharynx
- Esophagus
- Stomach
- Small intestine
- Large intestine
- Anus



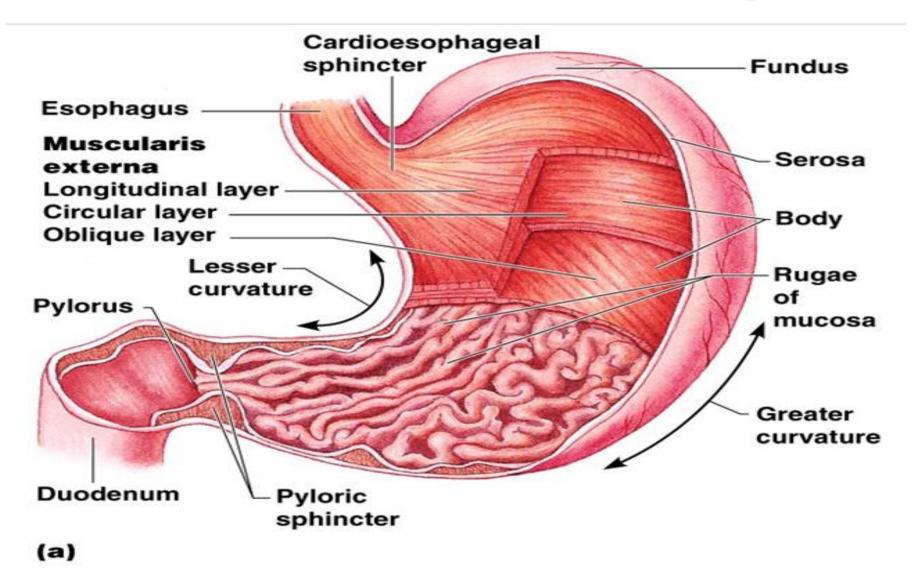
Stomach

Stomach Anatomy

Located on the left side of the abdominal cavity.

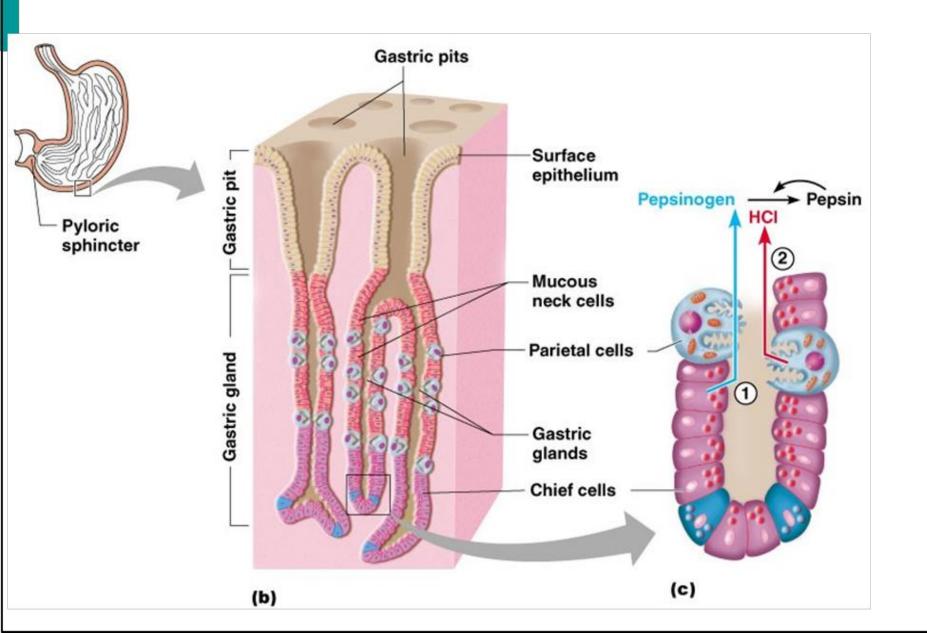
Food enters at the cardioesophageal sphincter

Stomach Anatomy



Stomach Functions

- Acts as a storage tank for food
- Site of food breakdown
- Chemical breakdown of protein begins
 - Delivers chyme (processed food) to the small intestine



Small Intestine



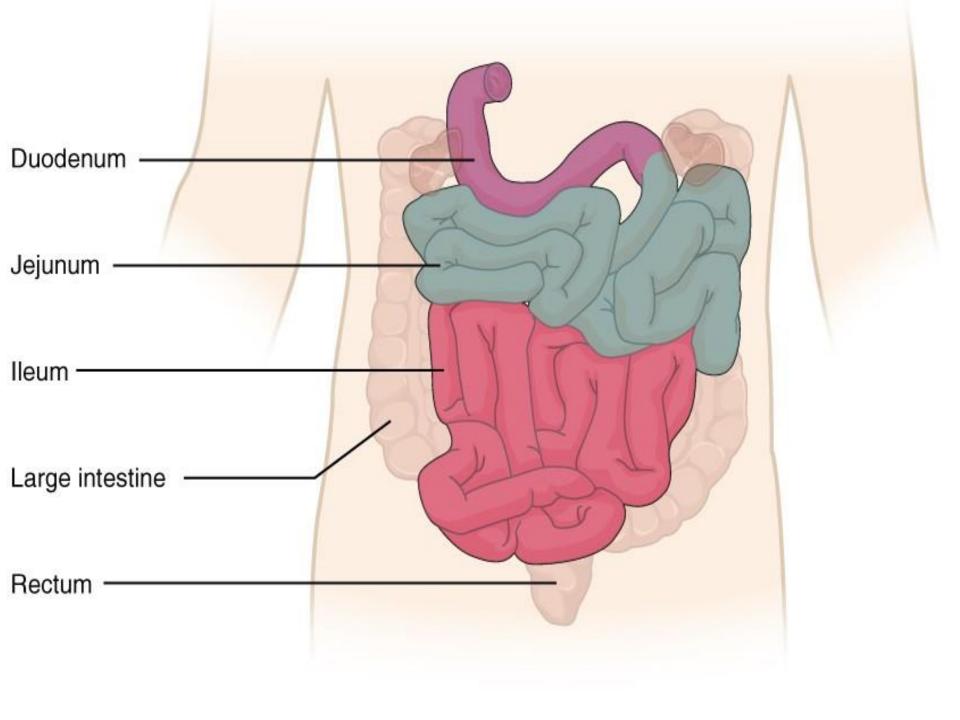
- The body's major digestive organ
- Site of nutrient absorption into the blood
- Muscular tube extending form the pyloric sphincter to the ileocecal valve
- Suspended from the posterior abdominal wall by the mesentery

Subdivisions of the Small Intestine

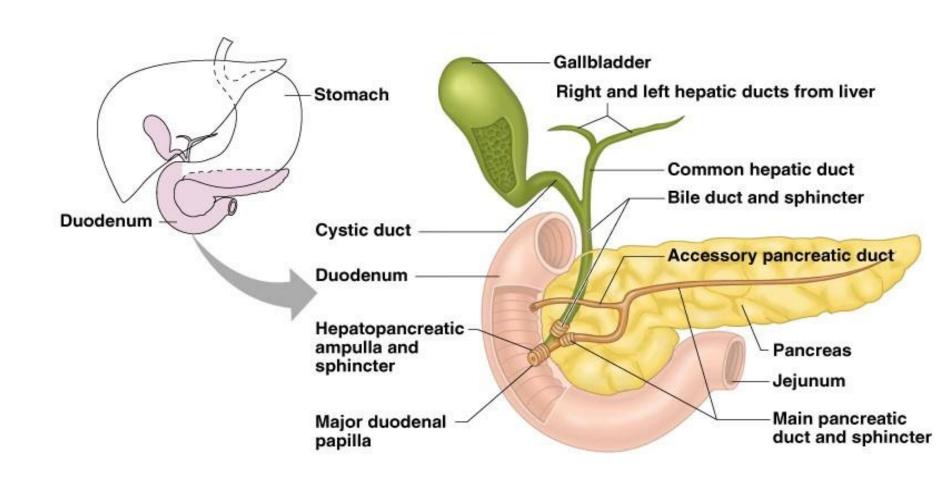
Duodenum



- Attached to the stomach
- Curves around the head of the pancreas
- Jejunum
 - Attaches anteriorly to the duodenum
- Ileum
 - Extends from jejunum to large intestine



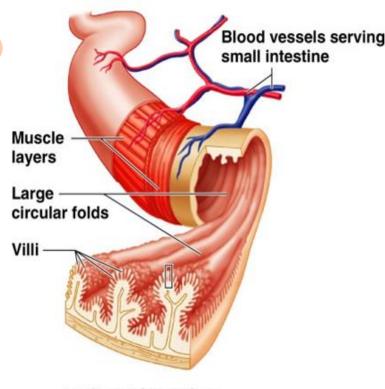
Chemical Digestion in the Small Intestine



Villi of the Small Intestine



- Fingerlike structures formed by the mucosa
- Give the small intestine more surface area



(a) Small intestine



Digestion in the Small Intestine

Enzymes from the brush border

- *break double sugars into simple sugars
- *complete some protein digestion

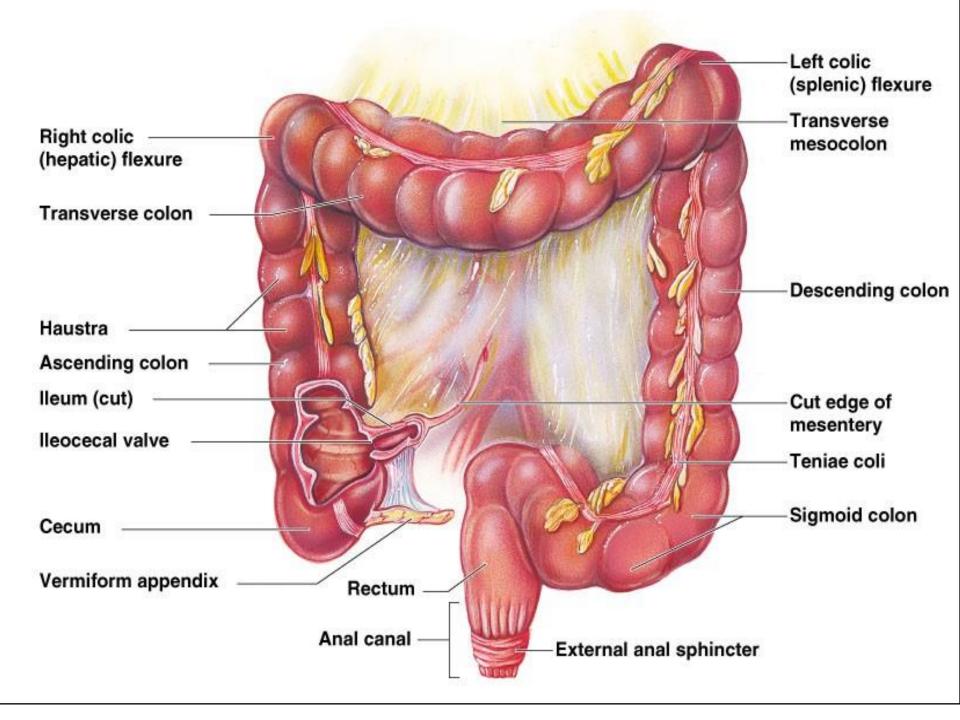
Pancreatic enzymes play the major digestive function

- *Help complete digestion of starch (pancreatic amylase(
- *Carry out about half of all protein digestion (trypsin, etc(.
- *Responsible for fat digestion (lipase(

Large Intestine



- Larger in diameter, but shorter than the small intestine
- Frames the internal abdomen



Functions of the Large Intestine

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- Absorption of water
- Eliminates indigestible food from the body as feces
- Does not participate in digestion of food
- Goblet cells produce mucus to act as a lubricant

Structures of the Large Intestine

- Cecum saclike first part of the large intestine
- Appendix
- Accumulation of lymphatic tissue that sometimes becomes inflamed (appendicitis)
- Hangs from the cecum

Structures of the Large Intestine



- Ascending
- Transverse
- Descending
- S-shaped sigmoidal

Rectum



external body opening

Food Breakdown and Absorption in the Large Intestine

- No digestive enzymes are produced
 - Resident bacteria digest remaining nutrients
 - Produce some vitamin K and B
 - Release gases
- Water and vitamins K and B are absorbed
 - Remaining materials are eliminated via feces

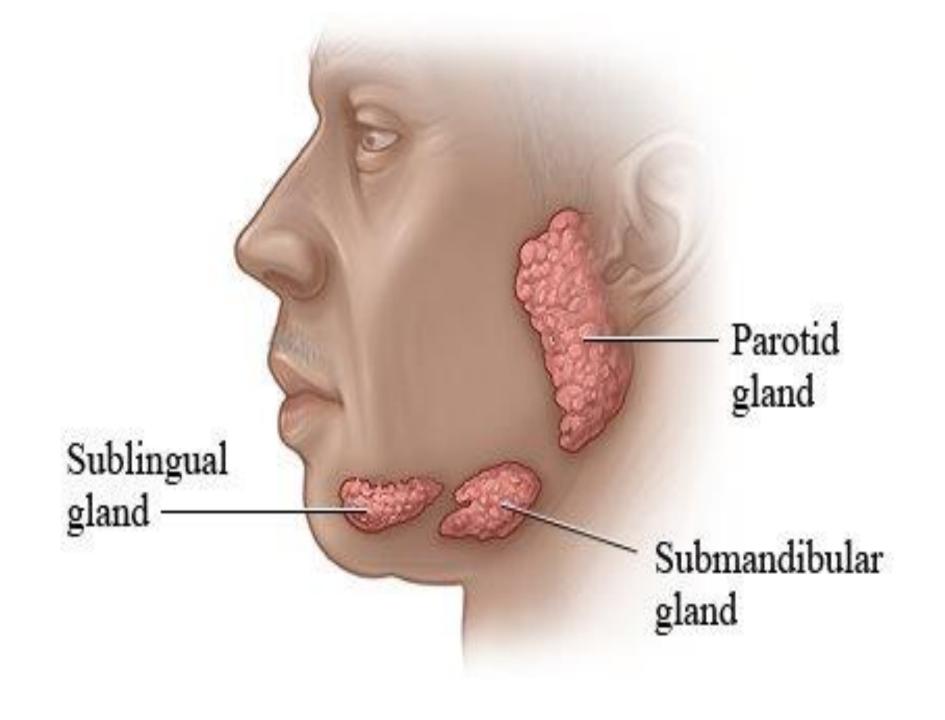
Accessory Digestive Organs

- Salivary glands
- Teeth
- Pancreas
- Liver
- Gall bladder



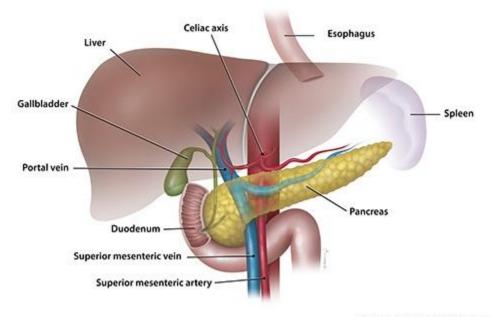
Salivary Glands

- Saliva-producing glands
- Parotid glands located anterior to ears
- Submandibular glands
- Sublingual glands

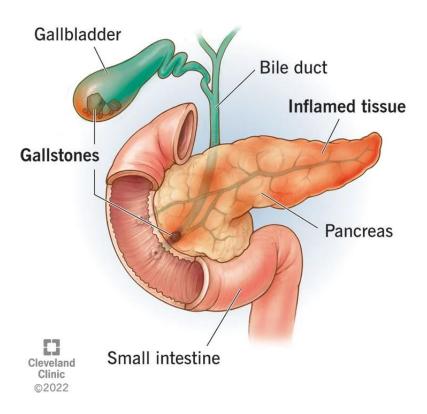


Pancreas

- Produces a wide spectrum of digestive enzymes that break down all categories of food
- Enzymes are secreted into the duodenum
- Alkaline fluid introduced with enzymes neutralizes acidic chyme
- Endocrine products of pancreas
 - Insulin
 - Glucagon



Pancreatitis





- Largest gland in the body
 - Located on the right side of the body under the diaphragm
 - Consists of four lobes suspended from the diaphragm and abdominal wall by the falciform ligament
 - Connected to the gallbladder via the common hepatic duct

