

Max the Monkey's Digestive System Puzzle

Learning objective: To identify and describe the functions of the basic parts of the human digestive system in humans.

Max the Monkey loves to solve puzzles! He has been studying how humans digest food. Help Max complete the diagram by matching the correct function to the part of the digestive system. Write the letter of the correct description next to the name of the organ.

Word bank: Mouth · Oesophagus · Stomach · Small Intestine · Large Intestine

1. A) This is where food is chewed and mixed with saliva to start the digestion process. (1 mark)

2. B) A tube that carries food from the mouth to the stomach. (1 mark)

3. C) An organ where food is churned and mixed with strong acid to break it down further. (1 mark)

4. D) This organ absorbs nutrients from the food into the blood. (1 mark)

5. E) This part absorbs water from the remaining food and turns it into waste. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a simple outline of a human body and label where you think these five parts of the digestive system are located. Think about where the food travels from the moment you take a bite of an apple!



Extension challenge: Max wonders what happens to the energy we get from our food. Write three sentences explaining why humans need a balanced diet to keep their bodies healthy and active.