

Bea's Digestive Journey: The Great Food Adventure

Learning objective: To understand the simple functions of the basic parts of the human digestive system in humans.

Bea the Honeybee is flying through the digestive system! Follow the journey of an apple slice from the moment it enters the body until the waste is removed. Use the words from the word bank to fill in the blanks in the correct order to explain how digestion works.

Word bank: stomach · mouth · small intestine · large intestine · oesophagus · rectum

1. 1. Food enters the body and is chewed into smaller pieces in the _____. (1 mark)
2. 2. The food travels down a long tube called the _____ to reach the tummy. (1 mark)
3. 3. Inside the _____, the food is mixed with strong juices to break it down into a thick liquid. (1 mark)
4. 4. The liquid moves into the _____, where the body absorbs all the nutrients it needs to grow. (1 mark)
5. 5. Anything the body cannot use moves into the _____ to have the water removed. (1 mark)
6. 6. Finally, the waste is stored in the _____ before it leaves the body. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a map of the digestive system inside a human body outline. Label the path that Bea the Honeybee would take, starting at the mouth and ending at the rectum.



Extension challenge: Max the monkey wants to know why we need teeth for digestion. Write two sentences explaining how our different types of teeth (incisors, canines, and molars) help us prepare food for its journey through the digestive system.