# Max and Bea's Digestive System Dash

*Learning objective: To identify and explain the functions of the organs in the human digestive system.*

Help Max the monkey and Bea the honeybee navigate the human body! Read each question carefully and write your answers clearly.

Answer Key: 1. B, 2. True, 3. Oesophagus, 4. B, 5. False, 6. Small intestine, 7. C, 8. True, 9. Saliva, 10. True. Explanations: The stomach uses acid to break down food, and the small intestine is where the body absorbs nutrients into the bloodstream.

*Word bank: Oesophagus · Stomach · Small intestine · Large intestine · Nutrients · Saliva · Rectum · Digestion*

**1. 1. Where does the process of digestion begin? A) The stomach B) The mouth* C) The small intestine D) The large intestine (1 mark)**

**2. 2. True or False: The oesophagus is a muscular tube that carries food from the mouth to the stomach. (1 mark)**

**3. 3. What is the name of the tube that connects the throat to the stomach? (1 mark)**

**4. 4. What is the main job of the stomach? A) To breathe oxygen B) To churn food with acid* C) To pump blood D) To store water (1 mark)**

**5. 5. True or False: Digestion happens entirely in the large intestine. (1 mark)**

**6. 6. Which part of the digestive system absorbs the nutrients from our food into the blood? (1 mark)**

**7. 7. What does the large intestine primarily absorb from the remains of our food? A) Protein B) Sugar C) Water* D) Vitamins (1 mark)**

**8. 8. True or False: The liver produces bile to help break down fats. (1 mark)**

**9. 9. What liquid in the mouth helps to soften food and begins the chemical breakdown process? (1 mark)**

**10. 10. True or False: After the large intestine, waste material is stored in the rectum before leaving the body. (1 mark)**

**Draw: Draw a diagram of the human digestive system and label the mouth, oesophagus, stomach, small intestine, and large intestine.**

*Extension challenge: Max the monkey wonders what happens if we eat too fast. Write a short paragraph explaining why chewing our food thoroughly is a helpful first step for our digestive system.*