

Gastrointestinal System- Anatomy

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Topics

- Introduction
- GI Tract
- Gross anatomy of each part
- Congenital Anomalies

GI system/Digestive system

- Process by which food break down into simple chemical substances that can be absorbed and used as a nutrients in the body.
- Activities
 - Ingestion
 - Propulsion
 - Digestion
 - Absorption
 - Elimination

Digestive system/GI system

- The digestive system is a continuous tube that begins at the mouth and ends at the anus
- Measuring about 30 feet long in the average adult, it is known as the alimentary canal or gastrointestinal tract.

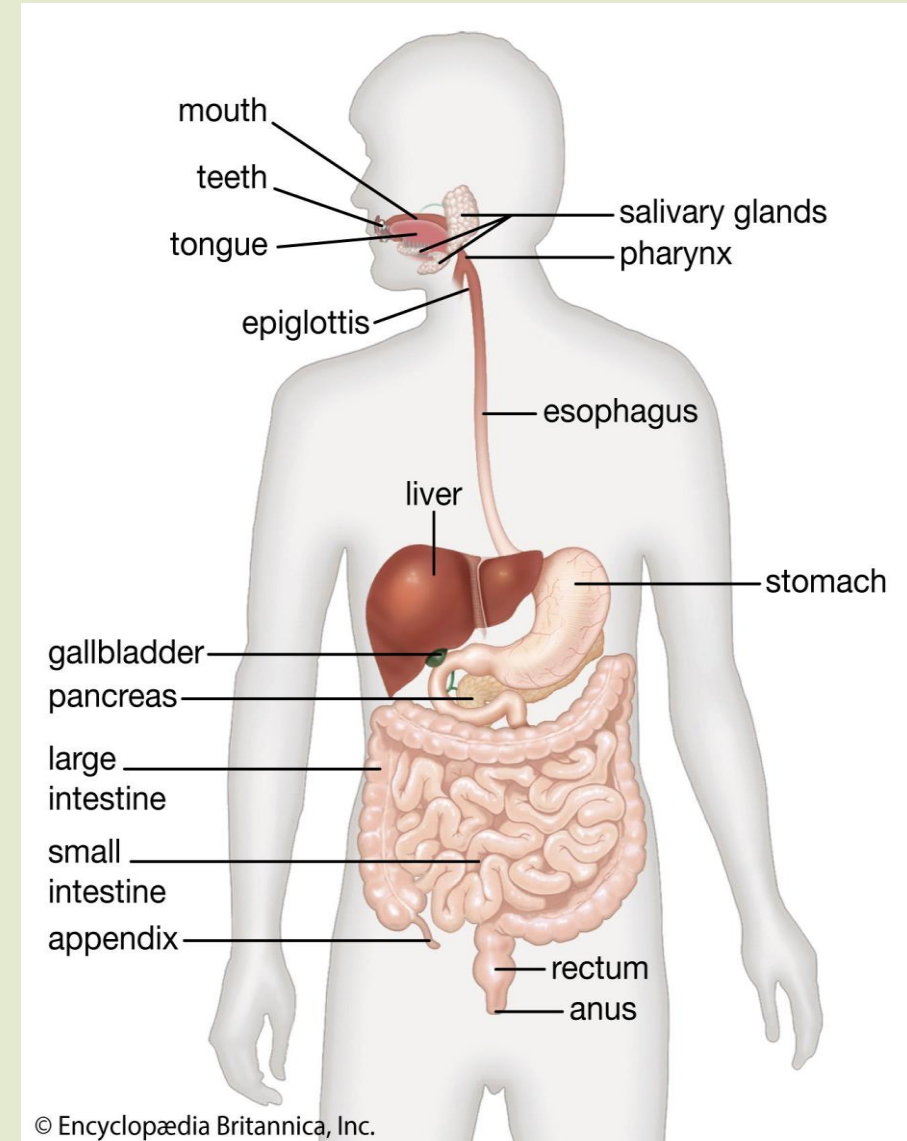
It has 3 functions:

- the digestion of food into nutrients,
- the absorption of nutrients into the bloodstream,
- and the elimination of solid wastes

Gastrointestinal system

► Alimentary canal;

- Long tube ; from mouth to anus; around 8-10 meters in length
- Mouth
- Pharynx
- Esophagus
- Stomach
- Small Intestine
- Large Intestine
- Rectum and anal canal



➤ **Accessory organs;**

-Salivary glands

-Pancreas

-Liver and biliary tract

Teeth, tongue

Gall bladder

Gut

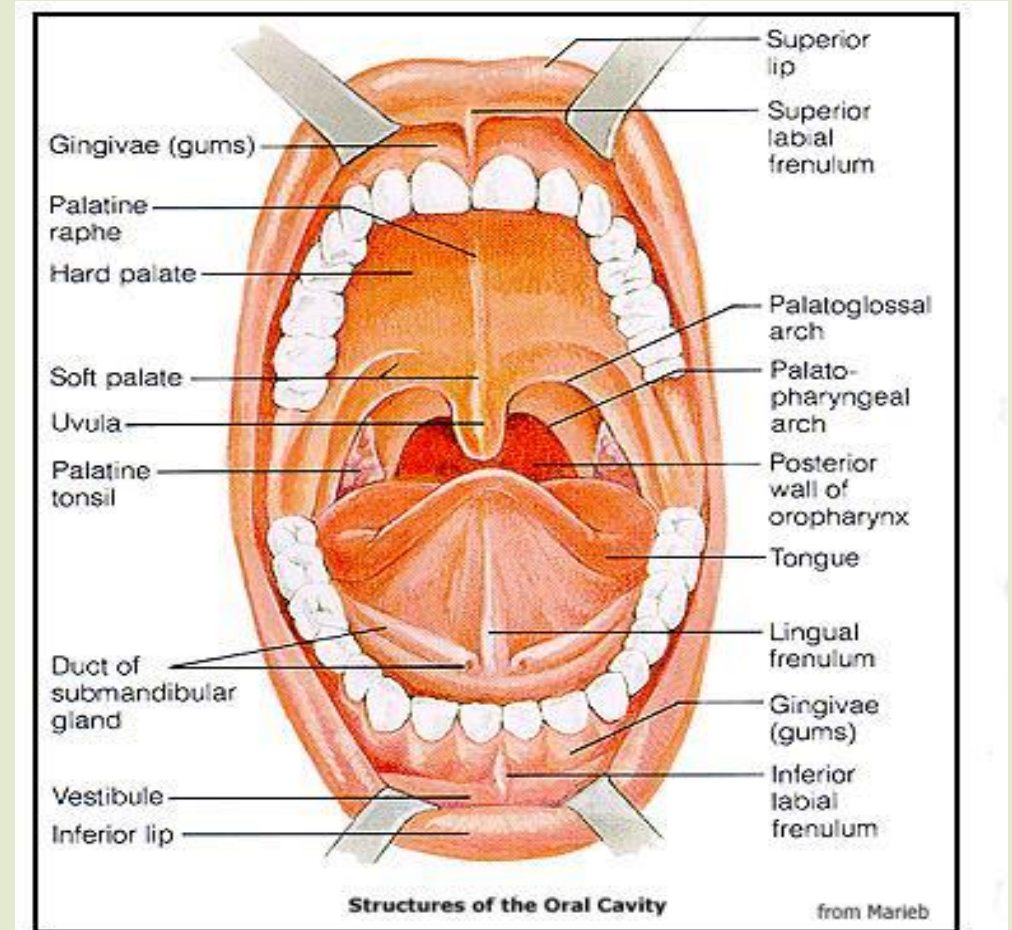
- ➡ Fore gut- extend from mouth to upper half of the second part of the duodenum
- ➡ Mid gut- lower half the second part of duodenum to right $2/3^{\text{rd}}$ of the transverse colon
- ➡ Hind gut- left $1/3^{\text{rd}}$ of the transverse colon to anal canal


Mouth

➡ Constituents; Oral cavity, Tongue, Teeth

Oral Cavity

- Formed by muscles and bones
- Lined with mucous membranes
- Boundaries;
 - Anteriorly - Lips
 - Posteriorly- oropharynx
 - Laterally-muscles of cheeks
 - Superiorly- Bony hard palate and muscular soft palate
 - Inferiorly- Muscular tongue, soft tissue of floor of mouth



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- Vestibule; Space between Gums and cheeks
 - Hard palate; Maxilla and palatine bones
 - Soft palate- muscular part of the roof of the mouth
 - Uvula; Curve fold of muscle, part of soft palate;

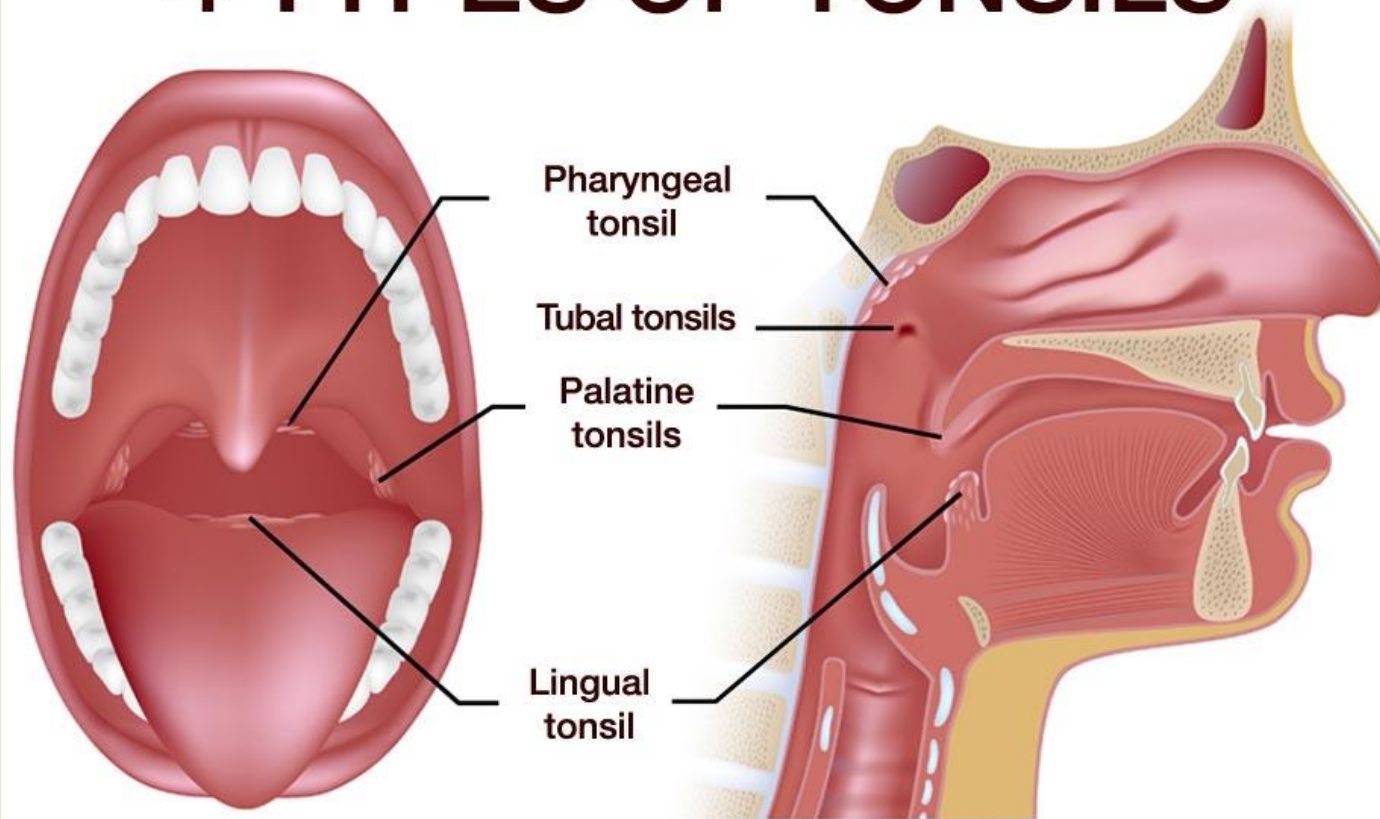
Tonsils

- small mass of lymphatic tissue located in the wall of the pharynx
- play a key role in our immune system.
- They act as a front-line defense forming the initial immunological response to inhaled or ingested pathogens
- filter out bacteria and viruses
- also produce white blood cells and antibodies

Types of tonsils

- Adenoid tonsil- roof of pharynx
- Two tubal tonsils- roof of pharynx
- Two palatine tonsils-sides of oropharynx between palatoglossal and palatopharyngeal arches
- Lingual tonsil- behind the tongue

4 TYPES OF TONSILS



Tongue

- **The tongue is a muscle covered with a mucous membrane. It has the root, the tip, and the central body.**
- Composed of voluntary muscle
- Parts; Tip and base attached to hyoid bone and to floor by fold of mucous membrane; Frenulum
- Surface; Superior, Inferior
- Superior surface; Numerous projections called papillae
- Contains; sensory receptors-specialized nerve endings for sense of taste

Muscle of tongue

Intrinsic muscle

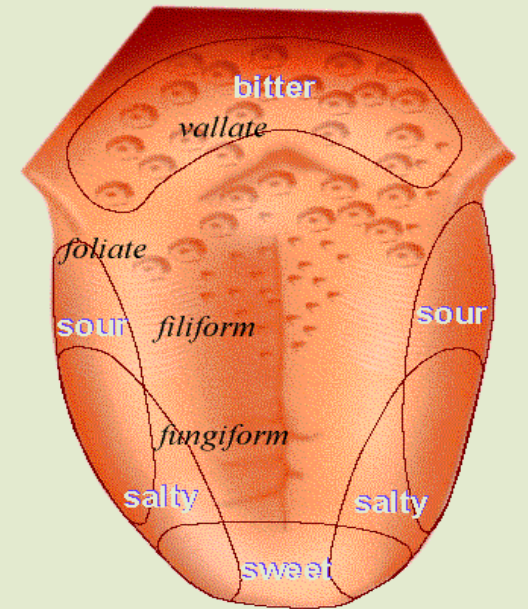
- Superior longitudinal muscle
- Inferior longitudinal muscle
- Transverse muscle
- Vertical muscle

Extrinsic muscle

- Genioglossus
- Hyoglossus
- Styloglossus
- Palatoglossus

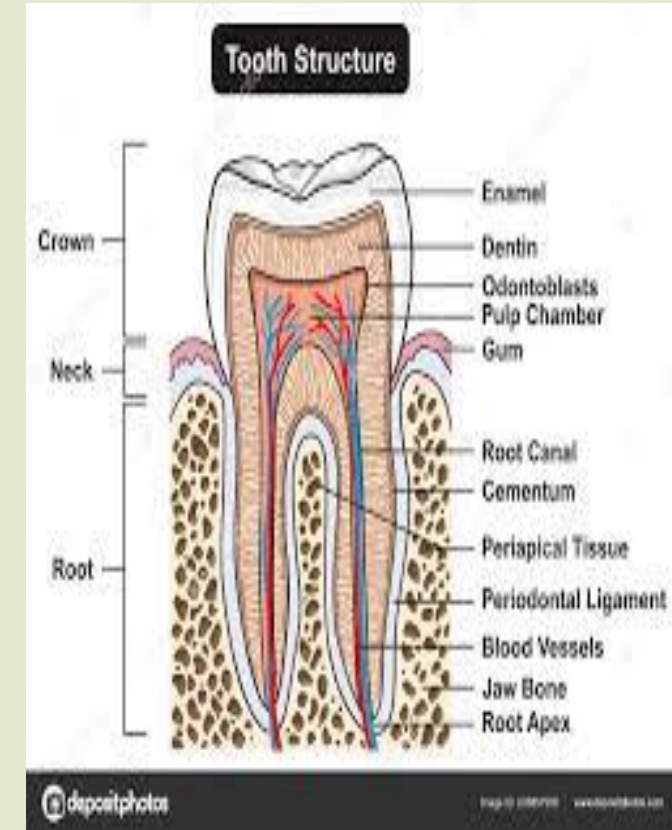
Tongue

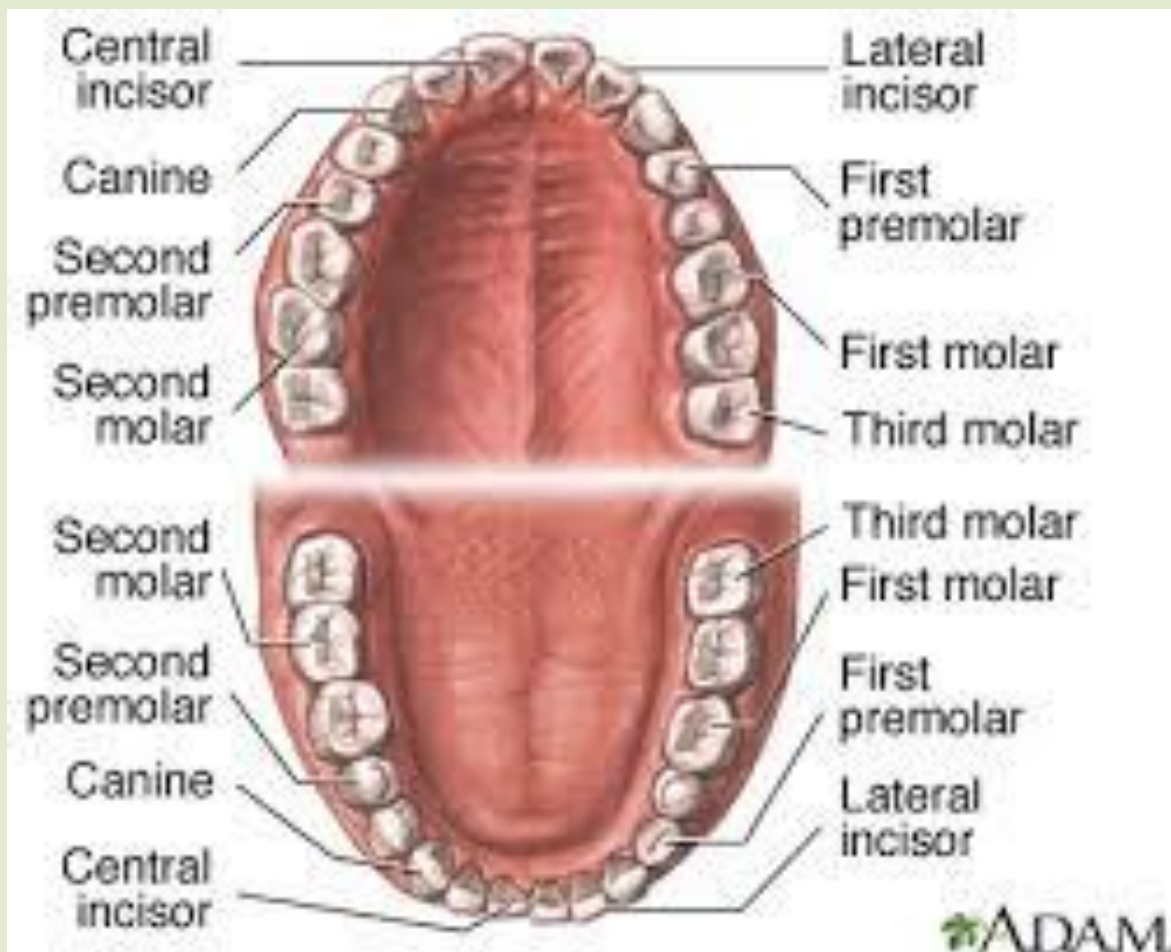
- Blood supply-Lingual artery- branch of external carotid artery
- Venous drainage; Lingual vein-Internal Juglar vein
- Nerve supply; Hypoglossal nerve, Lingual branch of mandibular nerve, Facial and glossopharyngeal nerve
- It is covered with taste buds and raised elevations called papillae
- **The taste buds taste sweet, sour, salt, bitter**



Teeth

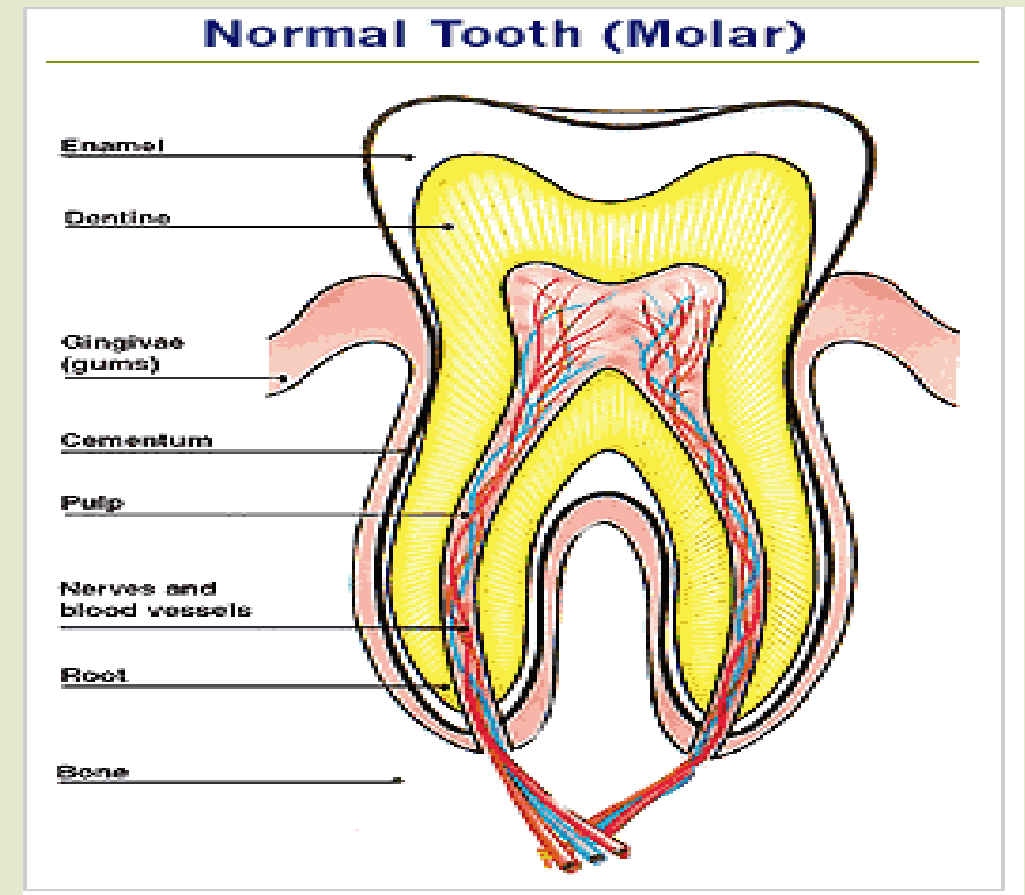
- **The teeth are used for chewing the food .**
- Embedded in the sockets of the alveolar ridges of mandible and maxilla
- 20 temporary teeth, 10 in each jaw-usually begin to erupt at about 6 mths and should present by 24 mths
- Permanent replace deciduous teeth between age 6-13 years; 32 teeth; last to erupt- third molar (wisdom teeth)
- Parts; crown, root and neck
- Pulp cavity; blood vessel, lymph vessel and nerve, surrounded by dentine-then enamel
- Cementum- Secures the root of the tooth in its socket.





- ▶ Blood supply; Branches of maxillary artery and venous drainage in the Internal Jugular vein

- ▶ Nerve supply; Branches of trigeminal nerve



Salivary gland

- Submandibular gland;

- Lie on each side, under the angle of jaw

- 2 ducts open on each side of frenulum of tongue

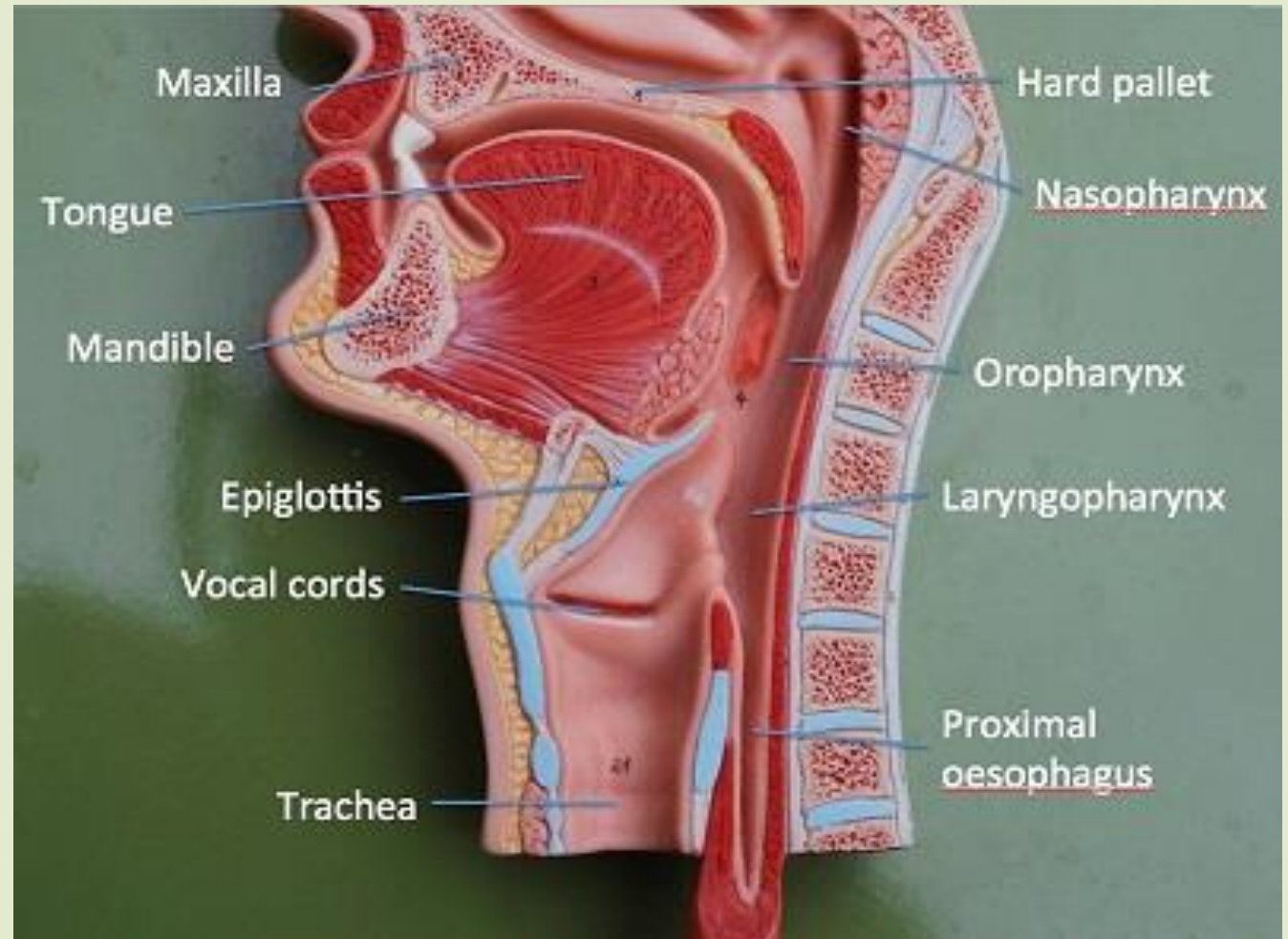
- Sublingual glands

- Under the mucous membrane of floor of mouth, Infront of submandibular glands

- Numerous small ducts open on floor of mouth

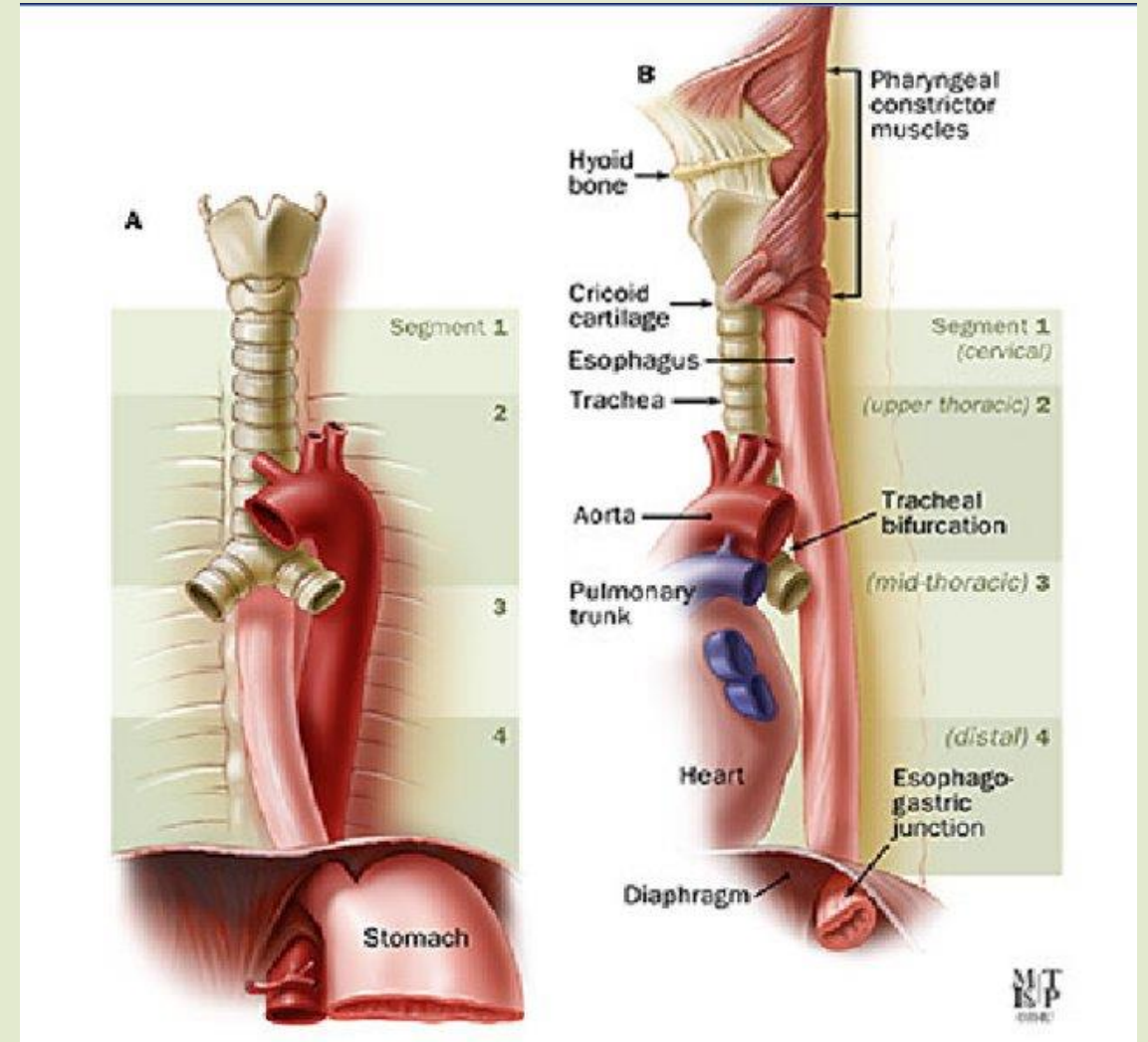
Pharynx

- Nasopharynx, oropharynx and laryngopharynx
- Continues with esophagus below

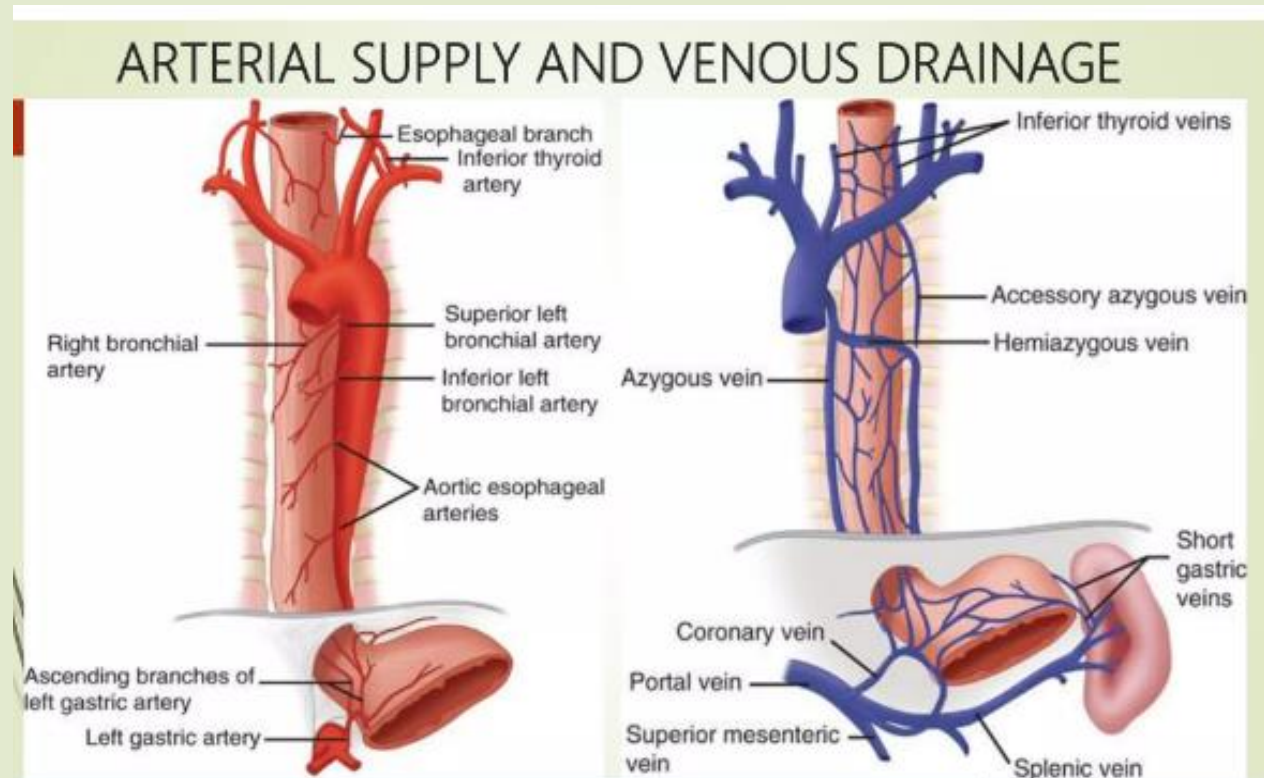


Esophagus

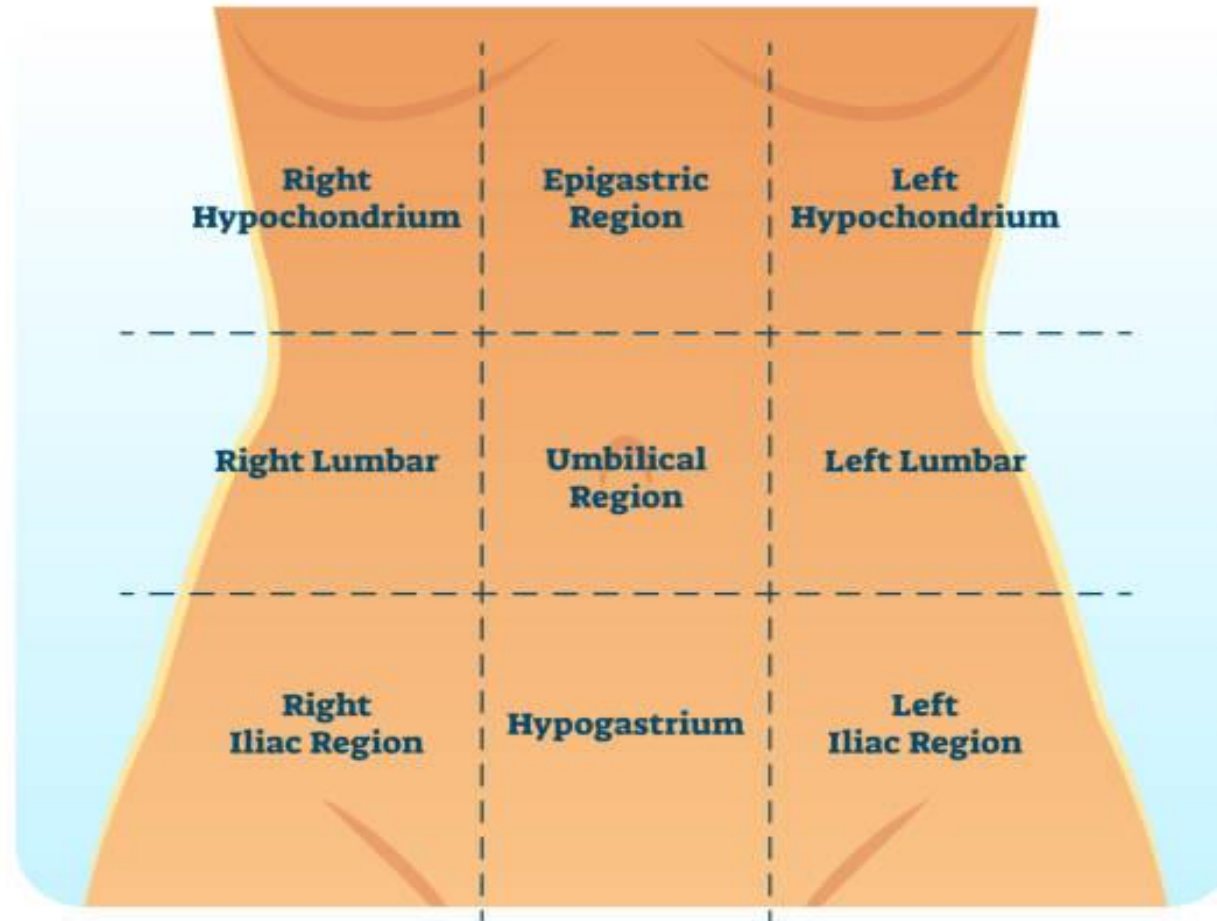
- Tube; 25 cm long, 2 cm in diameter,
- 3 parts; cervical ,thoracic and abdominal
- Continuous with pharynx above and below it stomach, beneath the diaphragm
- Pierces the diaphragm at the level of 10th thoracic vertebra

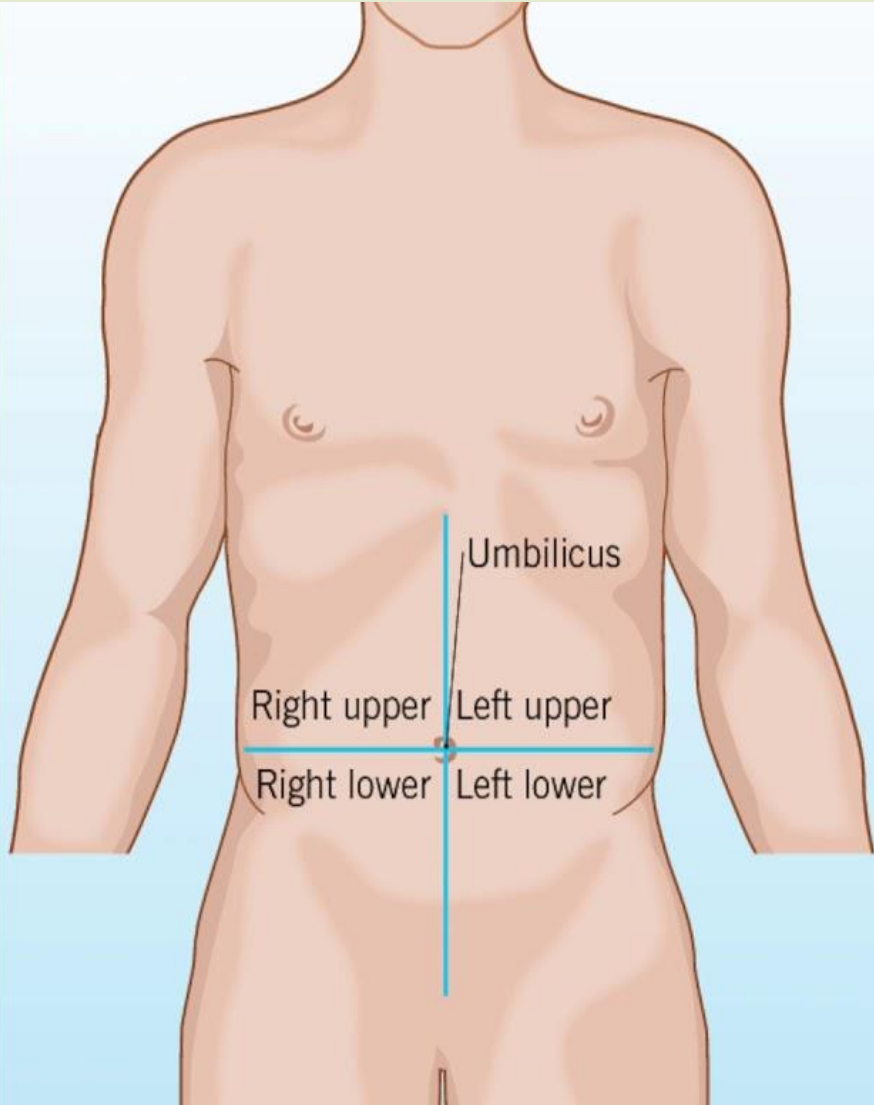


- Blood supply; paired esophageal arteries-branches from thoracic aorta, inferior phrenic and left gastric branch of coeliac artery
- Venous drainage; Azygous and hemiazygos vein, Left gastric vein



ABDOMINAL REGIONS





Right upper

- Liver.
- Gallbladder.
- Duodenum.
- Head of pancreas.
- Right kidney and adrenal gland.
- Hepatic flexure of colon.
- Part of transverse and ascending colon.

Right lower

- Caecum.
- Appendix.
- Right ovary and tube.
- Right ureter.

Left upper

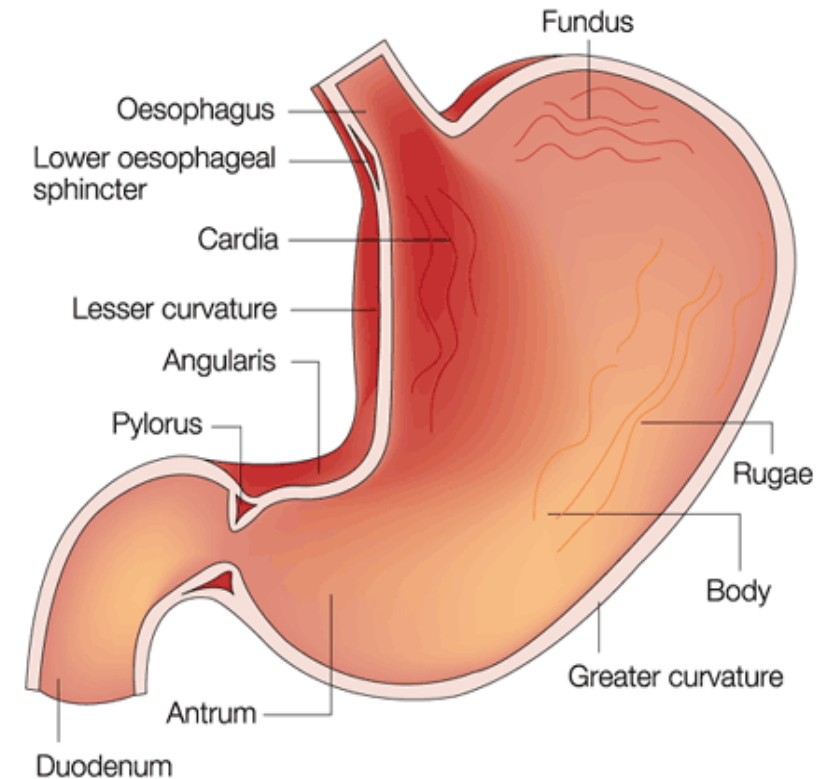
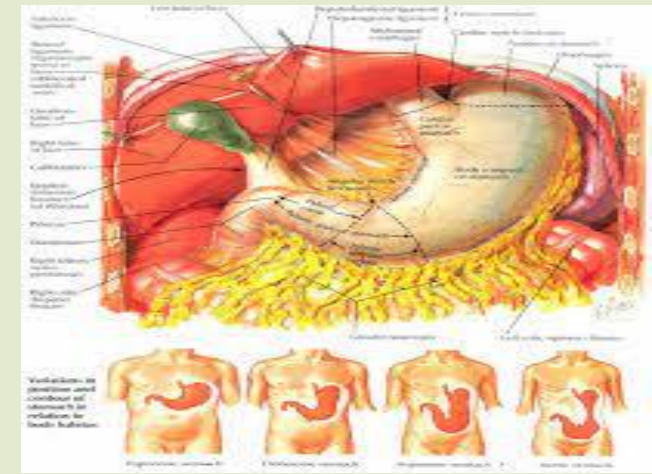
- Stomach.
- Spleen.
- Left lobe of liver.
- Body of pancreas.
- Left kidney and adrenal gland.
- Splenic flexure of colon.
- Parts of transverse and descending colon.

Left lower

- Part of descending colon.
- Sigmoid colon.
- Left ovary and tube.
- Left ureter.

Stomach

- J shaped dilated portion, situated in epigastric, umbilical and left hypochondriac region
- Region; Fundus, body and pylorus
- Lower esophageal sphincter (cardiac) and pyloric sphincter
- 2 curvature; Lesser and greater



Layer of Stomach

1. Mucosa- Inner most layer and secretes mucus (absorption)

3 lining - Epithelial propria- inner lining of mucosa

Lamina Propria- middle layer present lymphoid tissues(kills micro organism)

Muscularis Mucosa- smooth muscle layers (villi present) help in absorption

2. Sub muscularis- layer between mucosa and muscularis layer

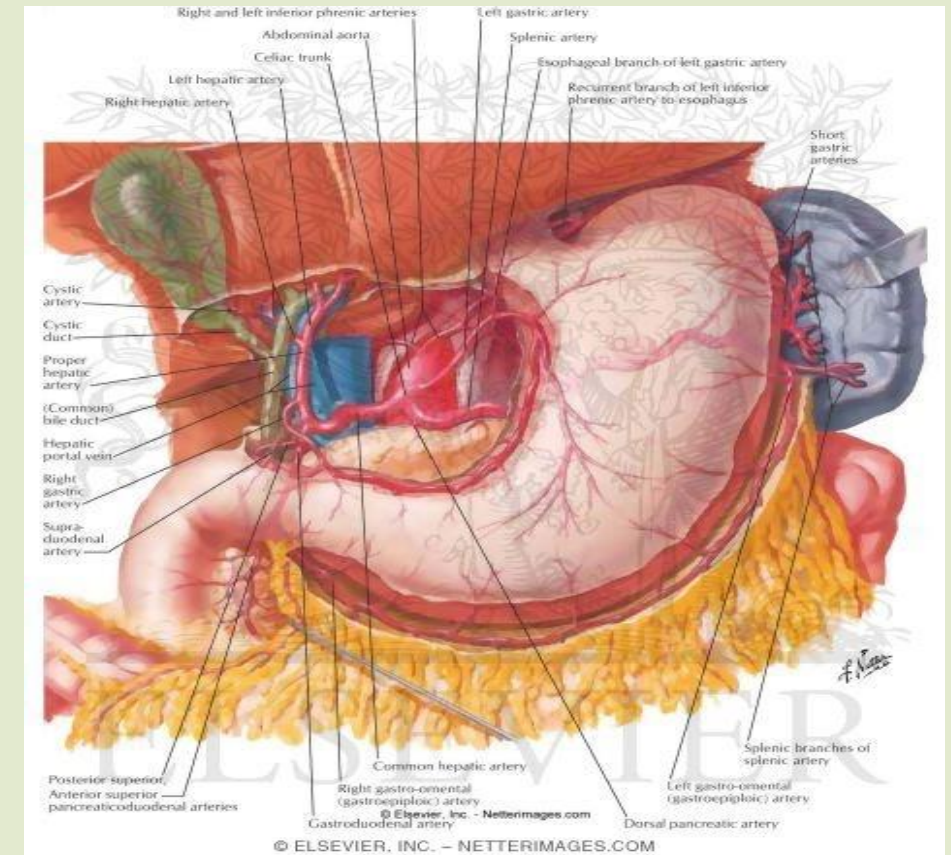
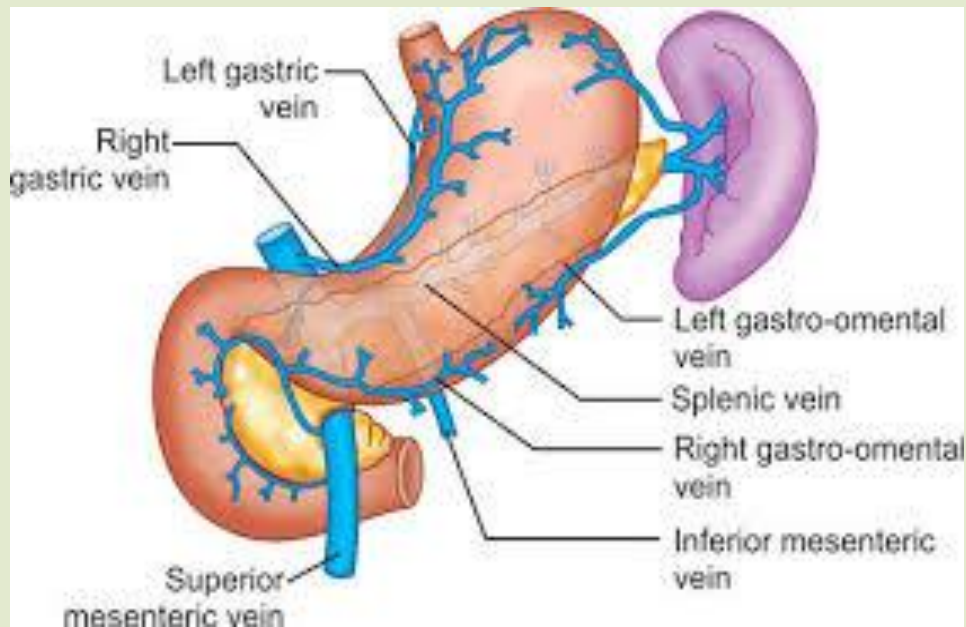
present blood vessels, lymphatic and nerves presents

3. Muscularis- 3 types of muscles(outer -longitudinal ,middle -circular, inner -oblique)

Help in peristalsis movement of food . Spincter wall

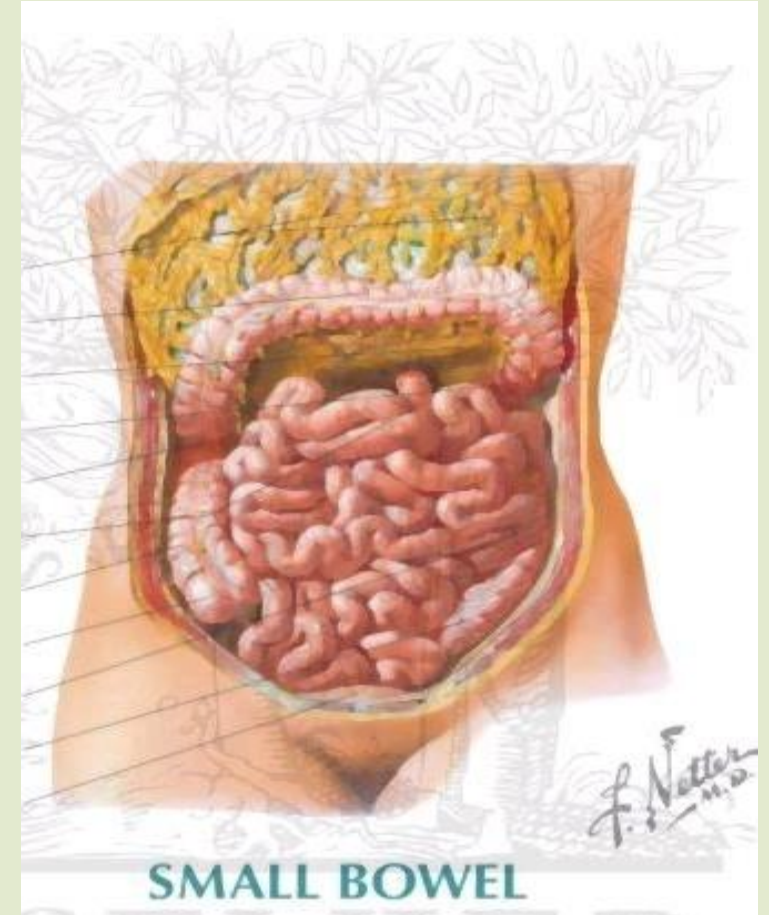
4. Serosa- outer layer ,Fibrous layer, Serosa adventitia ,protection of GI tract.

- Arterial ; Left gastric artery, right gastric artery and gastroepiploic artery
- Venous drainage- corresponding veins- portal vein



Small Intestine

- Present between stomach and large intestine.
- Around 5 meters long and 2.5 cm in diameter
- Joins with large intestine at the ileocecal valve- prevents backflow
- Lies in the abdominal cavity and is surrounded by large intestine



- 3 continuous parts;
- Duodenum -25 cm long,, curve around the head of pancreas
- Jejunum- middle section and about 2 meters long
- Ileum- 3 meters long
- Small peristalsis movement
- **Blood supply;** Superior mesenteric artery and venous drainage in to superior mesenteric vein

Function

- Absorption of nutrients and digestion of carbohydrate, protein and fat

Large intestine,

- 1.5 meters long, terminates at rectum and anal canal, 6.5 cm in diameter
- Caecum, colon, rectum and anal canal
- Caecum; Vermiform appendix- fine tube, closed at one end, about 8-9 cm long
- Colon; 4 parts; ascending, transverse, descending and sigmoid



Blood supply of large Intestine

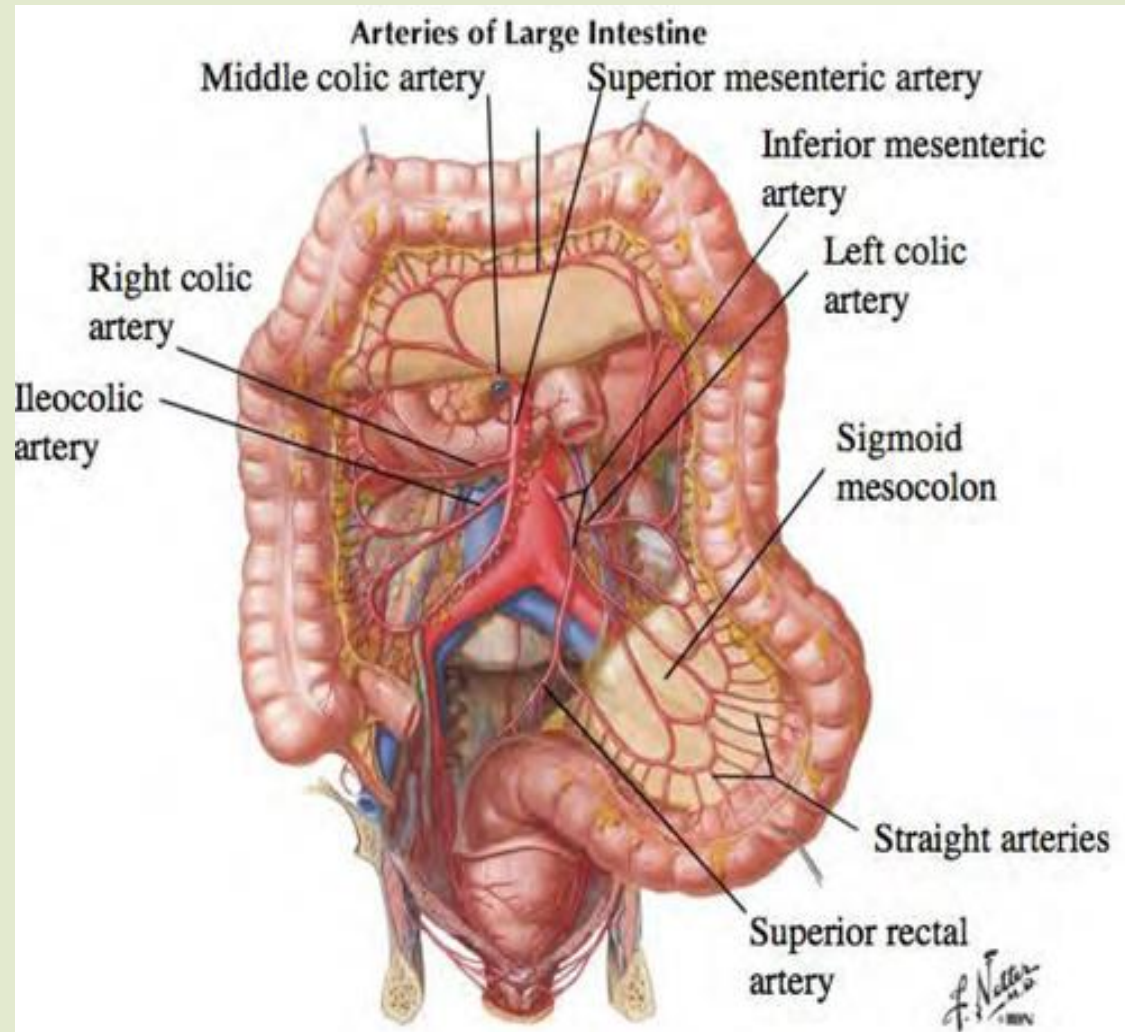
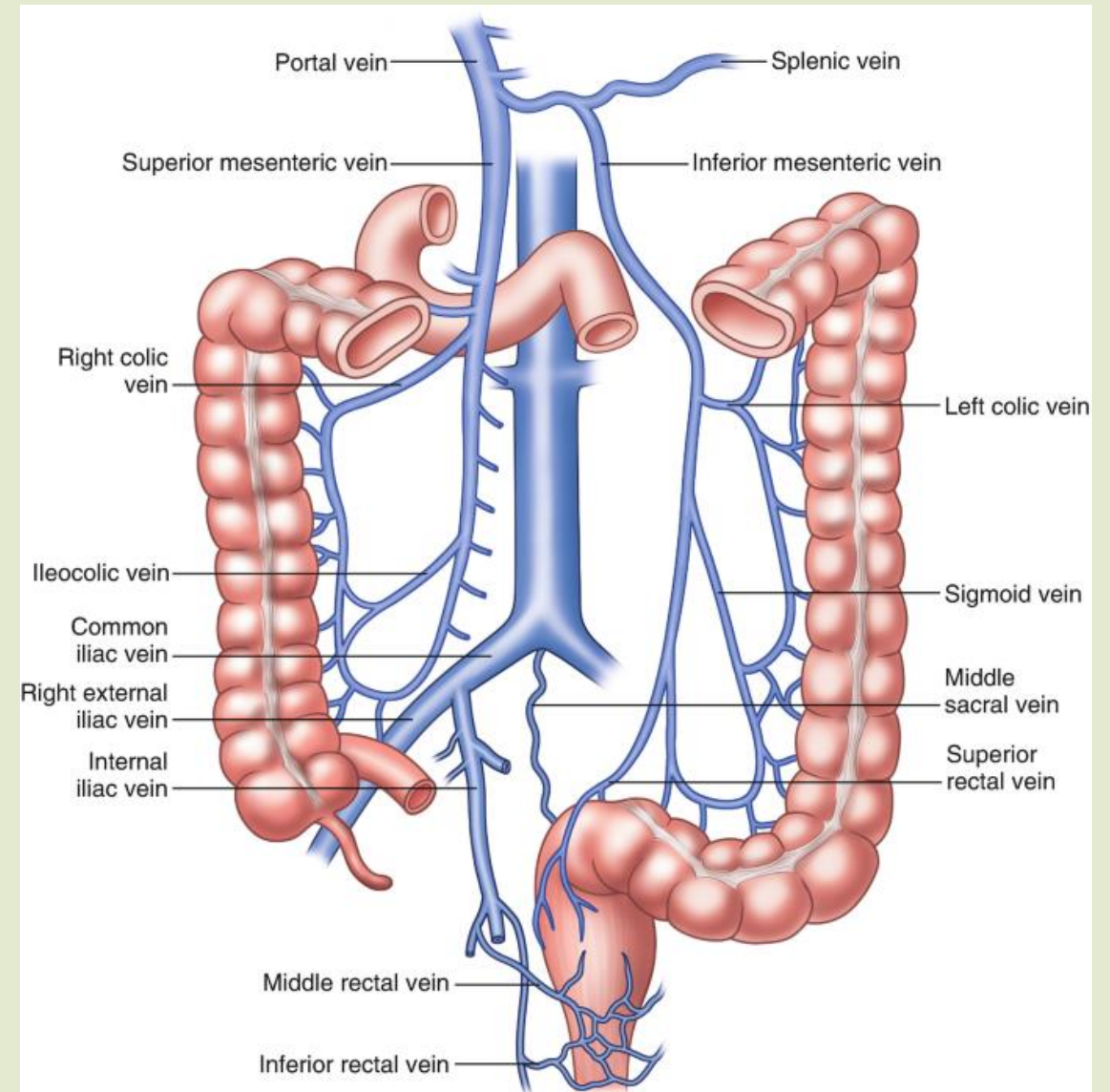
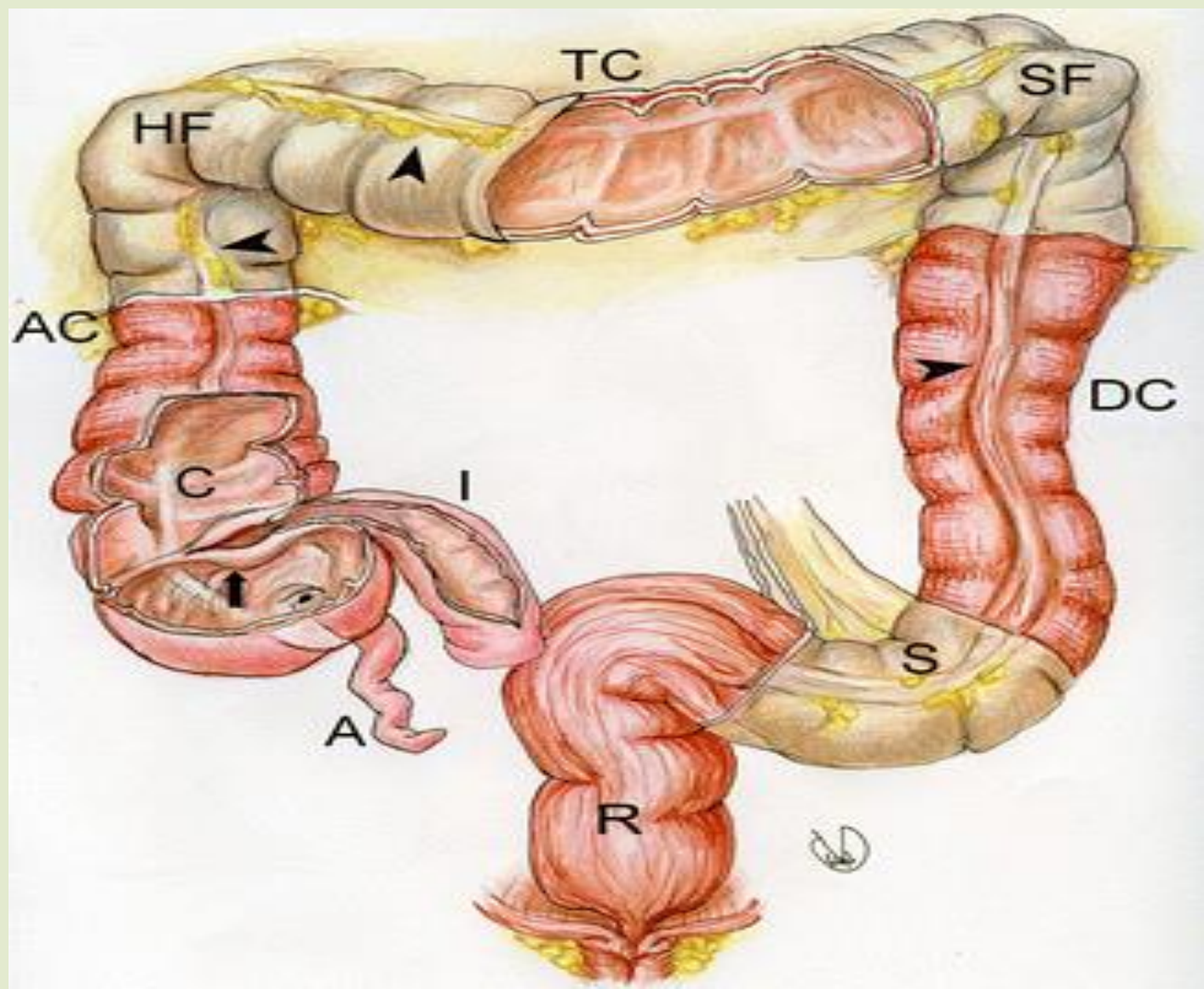


Figure 13. The superior mesenteric artery supplies the midgut viscera; the inferior mesenteric artery supplies the hindgut viscera (Netter 5th: Plate 288; 4th: Plate 307).



- Rectum; Slightly dilated portion, 13 cm long
- Anal canal; short; about 3.8 cm long ;internal and external sphincter;
Internal- smooth muscle and external- Skeletal muscle
- **Blood supply and venous drainage**; Superior and inferior mesenteric arteries, inferior rectal arteries, branches of internal iliac artery: Venous drainage in to respective named veins and that of rectum into internal iliac vein



Function

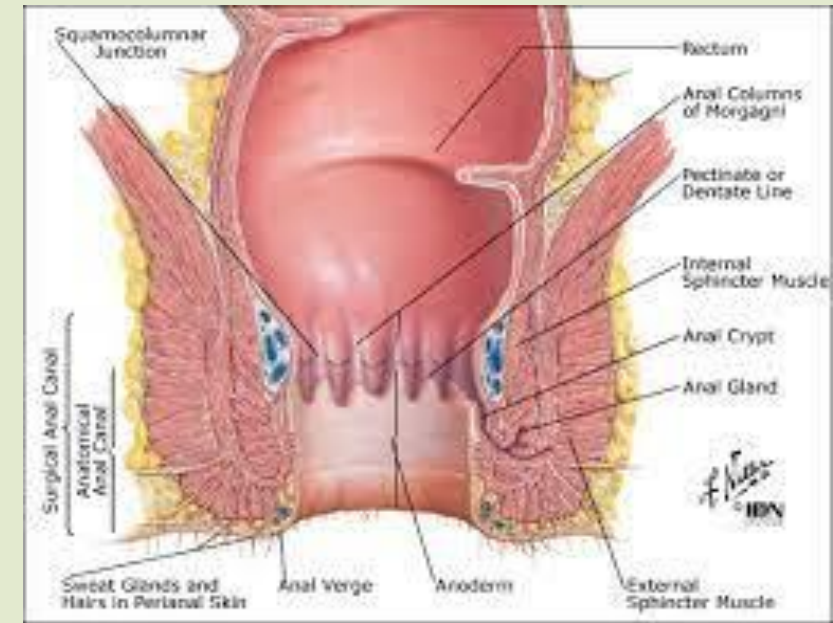
- ➡ Absorption of water and electrolytes and salt.

Structure; (inner to outer)

- ➡ Muscular layer - longitudinal muscle fiber- Ribbon like
Band like structure present – Taeniae coli- Give sac like
appearance

Helps in absorption of water

- **Submucosa**-more lymphoid tissue than other part
- **Mucosal lining**-colon and upper rectum- large number of mucus secreting goblets cells
- Mucosal lining-stratified squamous epithelium-
Merges with skin beyond external anal sphincter
- Upper third of anal canal-mucus membrane arranged in 6-10 vertical folds



Difference between small and large intestine


| Large Intestine | Small Intestine |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Has relatively larger diameter | Has relatively smaller diameter |
| 2. Greater part of it is fixed | Greater part of it is mobile |
| 3. Longitudinal muscle coat forms 3 ribbon like bands called Taenia Coli | Taenia Coli are absent |
| 4. Presence of appendix | Appendix is absent |
| 5. Intestinal Juice absent | Intestinal juice present |
| 5. Hormones absent | CCK and secretin hormones present |
| 6. Villi are absent | Villi are present |

Congenital Disorders

- ➡ Cleft palate and cleft lip
- ➡ Esophageal atresia
- ➡ Tracheoesophageal fistula
- ➡ Congenital pyloric stenosis

Cleft Lip and Cleft palate

- Normally, during embryonic development, the roof of mouth i.e. hard palate develop as two separate halves, from lips anteriorly to the uvula posteriorly
- Before birth, these two halves normally fuse along the midline
- If fusion is incomplete- cleft remains
- Cleft lip; minor notching upper lip to more extensive, where lip is completely split and nose is also involved

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- ➡ Cleft palate; Gap between two halves of the palate, thus channel is created between mouth and nasal cavity
 - ➡ Contributing factors; Genetic abnormality, certain drugs or poor nutrition in early pregnancy
 - ➡ Difficulty in drinking , eating and development of speech

Esophageal atresia

- One of the common congenital disorder of esophagus
- Here, the esophageal lumen is narrow or blocked
- Coughing, choking , neonate turns blue when trying to feed
- Unable to pass the feeding tube all the way into the child stomach through the nose or mouth

Tracheoesophageal fistula

- There is an opening between the esophagus and the trachea, through which milk or regurgitated gastric contents are aspirated
- Cause- usually unknown
- May be associated with esophageal atresia

Congenital Pyloric Stenosis/Infantile hypertrophy Pyloric Stenosis

- Rare condition in infant that blocks food entering from stomach to small intestine
- Most common in male child
- Age – 0 to 6 month
- Projectile vomiting of non bilious , partially digested food , soon after eating
- H/o frequent pain in the upper abdomen (which is temporarily relieved after vomiting)

A wide-angle photograph of a golf course. In the foreground, a lush green fairway leads towards a green. The green is surrounded by two sand traps. Several large, mature trees with dense foliage are scattered across the landscape, particularly on the left and right sides. The sky is a clear, bright blue. The overall scene is peaceful and well-maintained.

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