## THE HUMAN HEART

- (1) aorta
- 2 arteries
- 3 atrium
- (4) atriums
- (5) blood
- 6 brain
- (7) capillaries
- (8) carbon dioxide
- 9 circulating
- (10) clotting
- (11) fat
- (12) flow
- (13) heart
- (14) heartbeat
- (15) hemoglobin
- (16) inferior
- (17) left
- (18) left
- (19) lungs
- (20) lungs
- (21) murmur
- (22) oxygen
- 23 oxygen
- (24) pump
- (25) red
- (26) stay the same
- (27) superior
- (28) thickest
- (29) valves
- (30) veins
- (31) ventricle
- (32) white

- 1. The human heart acts as a <u>pump</u> to keep the blood <u>circulating</u>.
- 2. The upper chambers of the heart that receive blood are called the **atriums**.
- First, blood enters the heart from the head and the <u>upper</u> part of the body and flows into the right <u>atrium</u> through a vein called the <u>superior</u> vena cava.
- 4. Blood also enters the heart from the rest of the body and flows into the right atrium through a vein called the inferior vena cava.
- 5. The right atrium then contracts, and blood flows into the right **ventricle**.
- 6. The right ventricle contracts and the blood is pumped to the <u>lungs</u> through the pulmonary <u>arteries</u>.
- 7. In the lungs the blood eliminates carbon dioxide and absorbs oxygen.
- The oxygen rich blood leaves the lungs. Then the blood flows through the pulmonary <u>veins</u> back to the heart, where the blood enters the <u>left</u> atrium.
- 9. The left atrium contracts and forces the blood into the **left** ventricle.
- 10. As the left ventricle contracts, it forces the oxygen rich blood into a large artery called the **aorta**.
- 11. The left ventricle is the chamber with the <u>thickest</u> walls. The left ventricle is responsible for pumping the oxygen rich <u>blood</u> through the aorta to the entire body.
- 12. The aorta carries blood to the *entire* body **except** the **lungs**.

- 13. From the aorta, blood flows into a system of blood vessels called <a href="mailto:capillaries">capillaries</a> that pump a fresh supply of oxygen rich blood throughout the body.
- 14. The valves of the heart control the **flow** of blood.
- 15. When the ventricles contract, <a href="valves">valves</a> prevent the blood from flowing backward.
- 16. A valve that doesn't close properly causes a heart **murmur**.
- 17. Sometimes <u>fat</u> builds up inside the arteries, preventing blood from flowing through them.
- 18. When this happens, different parts of the body are cut off from their supply of nutrients and oxygen.
- 19. A stroke occurs when the blood is blocked from reaching the **brain**.
- 20. A heart attack occurs when blood fails to reach the **heart** muscles.
- 21. White blood cells fight infection, and red blood cells carry oxygen.
- 22. The substance in red blood cells that carries oxygen is called **hemoglobin**.
- 23. A doctor would install a pacemaker in a heart to regulate the **heartbeat**.
- 24. If you gave water by IV, the blood would not change. It would **stay** the same.
- 25. Leeches in medicine keep the blood from **clotting**.