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The Skeletal System: Bones and Joints

FOCUS: The extracellular matrix of bone contains collagen, which lends flexible strength, and minerals, which give bone weight-bearing strength. The two major types of bone are compact bone and cancellous bone. Bone ossification, growth, remodeling and repair are dynamic processes carried out by osteoblasts and osteoclasts. The skeletal system consists of the axial skeleton (skull, vertebral column, and rib cage) and the appendicular skeleton (limbs

and their girdles). The skull surrounds and protects the brain; the vertebral column supports the head and trunk and protects the spinal cord; and the rib cage protects the heart and lungs. The pectoral girdle attaches the upper limbs to the trunk and allows a wide range of movement of the upper limbs. The pelvic girdle attaches the lower limbs to the trunk and is specialized to support the weight of the body.

CONTENT LEARNING ACTIVITY

Connective Tissue

Connective tissue consists of cells separated from each other by an extracellular matrix.

Match these terms with the correct statement or definition:		Bone Cartilage	Ligaments Tendons
	1.	Extracellular matrix is made up	primarily of collagen.
	2.	Extracellular matrix is made up	o of collagen and proteoglycans
	3.	Extracellular matrix is made up	of collagen and minerals.
	4.	Attach muscles to bones.	



Most of the mineral in bone is in the form of calcium phosphate crystals called hydroxyapatite.

General Features of Bone

There are four types of bone, described by their shape as long, short, flat, and irregular.

A. Match these terms with the correct statement or definit		Long bones Short bones
	1. Bones longer than they	are wide, e.g., limb bones.
	2. Bones as broad as they	are long, e.g., ankle and wrist bones.
	3. Bones such as the ribs,	scapula, and sternum.
	4. Bones such as the verte	-
n III.	11	
B. Using the terms provided, co	omplete these statements:	1
Blood-forming	Fat	2.
Diaphysis	Marrow	
Endosteum	Medullary cavity	3
Epiphysis	Osteoblasts	
Epiphyseal line	Periosteum	4
Epiphyseal plate		
Each long hone consists of a sh	off called the (1) and	5
Each long bone consists of a sh $a(n)$ (2) at each end of the bon		
		6
growing has a(n) (3), composed of cartilage, between each epiphysis and the diaphysis. When bone growth stops, the epiphyseal plate is replaced by bone, and is called the (4).		
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The large cavity in the diaphys		
space, and other spaces are filled with soft tissue called <u>(6)</u> . Yellow marrow consists mostly of <u>(7)</u> , whereas red marrow consists of <u>(8)</u> cells. Most of the outer surface of the bone is		8
		9
covered by a connective tissue		
contains blood vessels and ner	10	
lined with a thinner connective		11
	n contain (11), which function	11
in the formation, repair, and re	inodeling of bone.	
C. Using the terms provided, co.	mplata thasa statamantsi	1
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Canaliculi	Lamellae	2
Lacunae	Osteocytes	2.
	,	3.
Bone is formed in thin sheets o	f extracellular matrix called	J
<u>(1)</u> , with bone cells, called <u>(2</u>		4
	paces called <u>(3)</u> . Cell processes	
	oss the extracellular matrix of the	
lamellae within tiny canals call	ed <u>(4)</u> .	

Compact Bone and Cancellous bone

The two major types of bone are compact bone, which is mostly solid matrix and cells, and cancellous bone, which consists of a lacy network of bone with many small, marrow-filled spaces.

. Using the terms provided, complete these statements:		1
Blood vessels Canaliculi Central canal	Osteon Periosteum and endosteum	2. 3.
Most of the lamellae of compact bone of concentric rings with each set surrethe central canal are (2) that run parthe bone. Each central canal with the osteocytes surrounding it, is called a are connected to each other by cell posteod vessels in the (5) supply blook canal.	rounding a <u>(1)</u> . Within rallel to the long axis of e lamellae and (n) <u>(3)</u> . The osteocytes rocesses located in <u>(4)</u> .	4. 5.
B. Using the terms provided, complete	these statements:	1
Blood vessels Canaliculi	Osteocytes Trabeculae	2
Marrow	Trabeculae	3
Cancellous (spongy) bone consists of delicate interconnecting rods or plates of bone called <u>(1)</u> . The spaces between the trabeculae are filled with <u>(2)</u> . Each trabecula consists of several lamellae, with <u>(3)</u> between the lamellae. Usually no <u>(4)</u> penetrate the trabeculae, and the trabeculae have no central canals. Nutrients pass by diffusion through the <u>(5)</u> to the osteocytes of the trabeculae.		45
66	Bone Ossification	
Ossific	cation is the formation of bone by	osteoblasts.
A. Match these terms with the correct statement or definition:	Endochondral ossificati Intramembranous ossifi	
	Bone formation that occ membranes.	curs within connective tissue
	2. Ossification process that the skull.	at occurs primarily in the flat bones of
	3. Ossification process tha	at produces most of the skeletal system.

B. Using the terms provided, complete these statements:		1	
Calcified Cartilage model Connective tissue	Primary ossification center Secondary	2	
Osteoclasts Osteoclasts	ossification centers	4	
Intramembranous ossification occurs when osteoblasts begin to produce bone in ossification centers of (1) membranes.		5	
Endochondral ossification begins with general shape of the mature bone. The	e chondrocytes of the	6	
cartilage model increase in number, hypertrophy, and die and the cartilage matrix becomes (3), forming an ossification center. When chondrocytes die, (4) invade spaces in the center of the bone and produce bone matrix; (5) remove bone and calcified cartilage to form the medullary cavity. The center part of the diaphysis where bone first begins to appear is called the (6). Later, (7) form in the epiphyses.		7	
Bone Growth, Remodeling, and Repair 66 Bone growth, remodeling, and repair all involve deposition of new bone matrix by osteoblasts. 99 A Using the terms provided, complete these statements:			
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B.	Using the terms provided, complete these	e statements:	l
	Calcium Callus Cancellous Clot	Increase	2 3
Bone remodeling involves the removal of old bone by (1), and the deposition of new bone by (2). Bone is the major storage site for (3) in the body. Calcium is removed from bones when blood calcium levels (4), and it is deposited when dietary calcium is adequate. When a bone is broken, the bone bleeds, and a (5) is formed in the damaged area. Cells from surrounding tissue invade and form a fibrous network with islets of cartilage, which holds the bone fragments together. The zone of tissue repair between the two bone fragments is called a (6). Osteoblasts enter the		is old bone by (1), Bone is the major is removed from d it is deposited a bone is broken, he damaged area. I form a fibrous lds the bone pair between the	4.
		siderations of Bone terms are used to describe featur Canal or meatus	~
cor	rect statement or definition: 1.	Condyle Foramen Hole in a bone.	Process Tubercle or tuberosity
		Tunnel-like passage through Depression in a bone.	a bone.
		Lump on a bone. Projection from a bone.	
	6.	Smooth, rounded end of a be another bone.	one, where it forms a joint with



The axial skeleton is divided into the skull, vertebral column, and thoracic cage.

Skull



66 The bones of the skull are divided into two portions, the cranial vault and the face. 99

A. Match these terms with the correct statement or definition:	Cranial vault (braincase) Facial bones Hyoid bone Nasal septum Orbit Paranasal sinuses Sella turcica
	1. Subdivision of the skull that protects the brain.
	2. Bones that form the structure of the face, but do not contribut to the cranial vault.
	3. Bone that "floats" in the neck and is the attachment site for throat and tongue muscles.
	4. Structure in the skull that surrounds and protects the eye.
	5. Three bony shelves of the nasal cavity that help to warm and moisten the air.
	6. Air-filled cavities that open into the nasal cavity.
	7. Structure resembling a saddle that is occupied by the pituitar gland.
	8. Perpendicular bone and cartilage that divide the nasal cavity into right and left halves.
B. Match these openings or depressions with the correct description:	External auditory meatus Orbit Foramen magnum Orbital fissures Mandibular fossa Optic foramen Nasolacrimal canal
	1. Large openings through which nerves or blood vessels communicate with the eye.
	2. Opening through which the optic nerve passes into the skull.
	3. Opening through which the spinal cord connects to the brain
	4. Depression where mandible articulates with temporal bone.
	5. Cone-shaped fossa that surrounds the eye.
	6. Opening that passes from the orbit into the nasal cavity.
	7. Temporal bone canal; allows sound to reach the eardrum.

C. Match these terms with the correct parts labeled in figure 6.1:

Coronal suture
External auditory meatus
Frontal bone
Lambdoid suture
Mandible
Mastoid process
Maxilla
Nasal bone

Occipital bone Parietal bone Sphenoid bone Squamous suture Styloid process Temporal bone Zygomatic arch Zygomatic bone

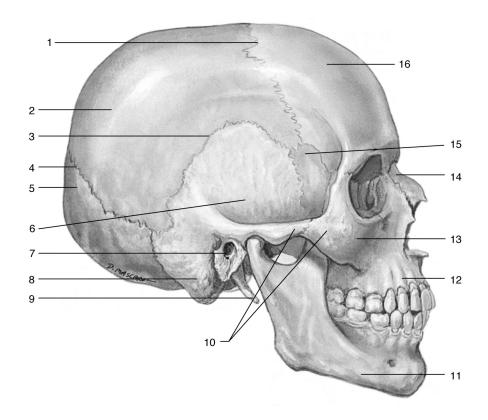


Figure 6.1

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D. Match these bone parts with structures to which they contribute:	Horizontal plate of palatine Palatine process of maxilla Perpendicular plate of ethmoid	Temporal Vomer Zygomatic
	1. Two parts that form the hard	l palate.
	2. Two parts that form the nasa	ıl septum.
	3. Two bones that form the zyg	omatic arch.
66	Vertebral Column	
The vertebral column p	ovides support, protection, a site for muscl	e attachment, and flexibility.
A. Match these terms with the correct statement or definiti	Cervical on: Lumbar	Sacral Thoracic
	1. Two sections of the vertebral	column that curve posteriorly.
	2. There are seven of these vert	ebrae in the vertebral column.
	3. There are twelve of these ver	tebrae in the vertebral column.
	4. There are five of these verteb	orae in the vertebral column.
B. Match the type of vertebra with the correct description	Atlas Axis Cervical vertebrae Coccyx	Lumbar vertebrae Sacrum Thoracic vertebrae
	1. Have transverse foramina ar	nd partly split spinous processes
	2. First cervical vertebra; allow	s a "yes" motion of the head.
	3. Articular facets for ribs prese	ent.
	 Superior articular facets of the "lock" with laterally facing invertebra above it. 	
	5. Five fused vertebrae that have	ve a median crest and a hiatus.
	6. Tailbone, usually consisting	of four fused vertebrae.

C. Match these terms with the correct statement or definition:	Articular process Body Intervertebral disk Intervertebral foramina Lamina	Pedicle Spinous process Transverse process Vertebral foramen
	1. Weight-bearing portion	of the vertebra.
	2. Two parts that form the	vertebral arch.
	Contains the spinal corc canal.	d; all of them together form the vertebral
	4. Where the spinal nerves	s exit the vertebral column.
	5. Where vertebrae articul	ate with each other.
	6. Lumps that can be seen	and felt down the midline of the back.
	7. Dense fibrous connectiv	re tissue that separates vertebrae.
D. Match these terms with	Articular facet	1
the correct parts labeled in figure 6.2:	Articular process Body	2
	Lamina Pedicle	3
	Spinous process Transverse process	4
Production	Vertebral arch Vertebral foramen	5
Posterior 9	vertebrar foralitest	
		6
2 8		7
3	- 6	8
7		9

Figure 6.2

Anterior



Spinous processes of the first four sacral vertebrae form the median sacral crest, but the fifth sacral vertebra does not form, leaving a sacral hiatus (opening) at the inferior end of the sacrum. The anterior edge of the first sacral vertebra forms the sacral promontory.

Thoracic Cage

The thoracic cage or rib cage protects the vital organs within the thorax and prevents the collapse of the thorax during respiration.

$A. \begin{tabular}{ll} M atch these terms with the \\ correct statement or definition: \end{tabular}$	Body False ribs Floating ribs Jugular notch	Manubrium Sternal angle True ribs Xiphoid process
	_ 1. First seven pairs of ribs	that attach directly to the sternum.
	_ 2. Eleventh and twelfth risternum.	bs, which have no attachment to the
	_ 3. Middle part of the stern	num.
	_ 4. Most superior part of th	ne sternum.
	_ 5. Depression at the super	rior end of the sternum.
		unction of the manubrium and body of for locating the second rib.
B. Match these terms with the correct parts labeled in figure 6.3:	Body Costal cartilage False ribs Floating ribs	Manubrium Sternum True ribs Xiphoid process
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2.	1-2	8 7 6

Figure 6.3

Pectoral Girdle

The pectoral, or shoulder girdle consists of two pairs of bones that attach the upper limb to the 99 body: the scapulae, or shoulder blades, and the clavicles, or collar bones. Match these terms with the Acromion process Glenoid fossa Coracoid process correct statement or definition: Spine 1. Ridge that runs across the posterior surface of the scapula. 2. Projection from the scapular spine that forms the point of the shoulder; point of attachment of the clavicle. 3. Projection from the scapula that curves below the clavicle and provides attachment for arm and chest muscles. 4. Depression where the head of the humerus articulates with the scapula. **Upper Limb** The upper limb consists of the bones of the arm, forearm, wrist, and hand. A. Match the bone parts that Distal end of humerus Head of radius articulate with each other: Head of humerus Head of ulna 1. Glenoid fossa 2. Semilunar notch 3. Humerus and ulna 4. Carpals The portion of the ulna proximal to the semilunar notch is the olecranon process, or point of the elbow. Just distal to the semilunar notch is the coronoid process. B. Match the bony part with **Epicondyles** Radial tuberosity its function: Greater and lesser tubercles Styloid processes 1. Location for shoulder muscles to attach to the humerus.

B

The wrist is composed of eight carpal bones, the hand is composed of five metacarpals, and each finger, called a digit, is composed of three phalanges. The thumb has two phalanges.

4. Attachments for the ligaments of the wrists.

2. Location where forearm muscles attach to the humerus.

3. Location of attachment of the biceps brachii to the radius.

Pelvic Girdle

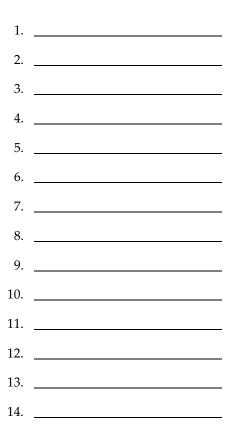
66 The pelvic girdle is a ring of bones formed by the sacrum and two coxae.

Using the terms provided, complete the	nese statements:	1	
Acetabulum Coxa Female Anterior superior iliac spine	Iliac crest Male Obturator foramen	2. 3.	
Each (1) is formed by the fusion of the ilium, ischium, and pubis. The superior margin of the ilium is called the (2), and a(n) (3) is located at each ilium's anterior end. The (4) is the socket of the hip joint, and the (5) is the large hole in the coxa. The pelvic inlet and outlet are larger and the pelvic inlet is more oval in the pelvis of the (6).		4. 5. 6.	
66	Lower Limb	••	
The lower lin	ub consists of the bones of the thigh	h, leg, ankle, and foot.	
A. Match the bone parts that articulate with each other:	Acetabulum Condyles of femur	Talus Tibia	
	_ 1. Head of the femur.		
	_ 2. Proximal end of tibia.		
	_ 3. Head of fibula.		
	_ 4. Distal end of tibia and	fibula.	
B. M atch the bony part with its function:	Calcaneus Condyles Epicondyles Malleolus	Patella Tibial tuberosity Trochanters	
	_ 1. Projections lateral to th	. Projections lateral to the condyles on the distal end of femur.	
	_ 2. Points of muscle attach	2. Points of muscle attachment near the head of the femur.	
		Located within the major tendon of the thigh muscles; enables the tendon to turn the corner over the knee.	
	_ 4. Location on the tibia w	. Location on the tibia where anterior thigh muscles attach.	
	_ 5. Prominence on each side for the talus bone.	de of the ankle that forms a partial socket	
	6. Inferior to the talus; pr	otrudes posteriorly to form the heel.	

Location of Major Bones of Skeletal System

Match these bones with the correct parts labeled in figure 6.4:

Carpals
Clavicle
Coxa
Femur
Fibula
Humerus
Metacarpals
Metatarsals
Patella
Phalanges
Radius
Scapula
Tarsals
Tibia
Ulna



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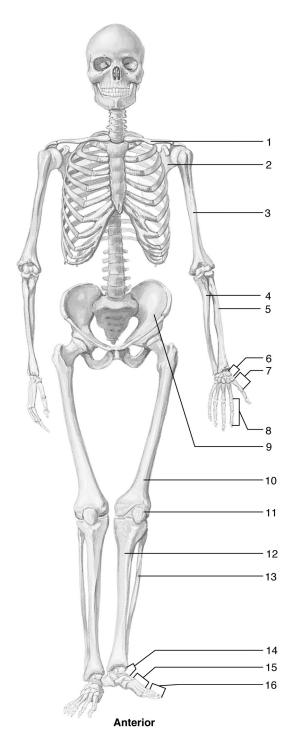


Figure 6.4

Articulations



An articulation, or joint, is a place where two bones come together. 99

A. Match the class of joint with the correct definition:	Cartilaginous Fibrous	Synovial	
	_ 1. Two bones united by fibre movement.	rous tissue; exhibit little or no	
	 Two bones united by car at these joints. 	tilage; only slight movement can occur	
	 Freely moving joints that the ends of bones. 	t contain fluid in a cavity surrounding	
B. Match these terms with the correct statement or definition:	Fontanels Gomphoses	Sutures Syndesmoses	
	_ 1. Fibrous joints between th	ne bones of the skull.	
	_ 2. Wide sutures (soft spots)	2. Wide sutures (soft spots) present in newborns.	
	 Fibrous joints where bon are held together by ligar 	nes are separated by some distance and ments.	
	_ 4. Fibrous joints consisting	of pegs fitted into sockets.	
C. Match these terms with the correct statement or definition:	Articular cartilage Bursa Joint capsule	Joint cavity Synovial membrane	
	_ 1. Cartilage that provides a	1. Cartilage that provides a smooth surface where bones meet.	
	_ 2. The space surrounding the	2. The space surrounding the ends of articulating bones.	
	_ 3. Surrounds the joint cavit ligaments.	ry; portions may be thickened to form	
	_ 4. Tissue that lines the joint cartilage; produces synov	4. Tissue that lines the joint capsule except over the articular cartilage; produces synovial fluid.	
		l membrane that forms a pocket or sac; ructures would rub together.	

 D. Match these terms with the correct part labeled in figure 6.5:
 Articular cartilage Bursa Joint capsule Joint cavity

Synovial membrane

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3. _____

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5. _____

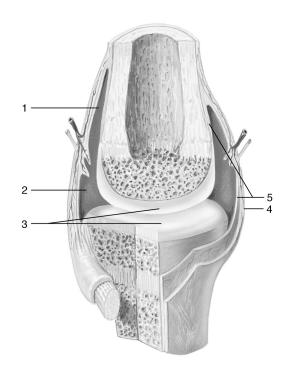


Figure 6.5

Types of Synovial Joints

Synovial joints are classified according to the shape of the adjoining articular surfaces.

Figure 6.6

Types of Movement

The types of movement occurring at a given joint are related to the structure of that joint. 99

Match these terms with the correct parts labeled in Figure 6.7:

Abduct Adduct Circumduct Extend

Flex Pronate Supinate

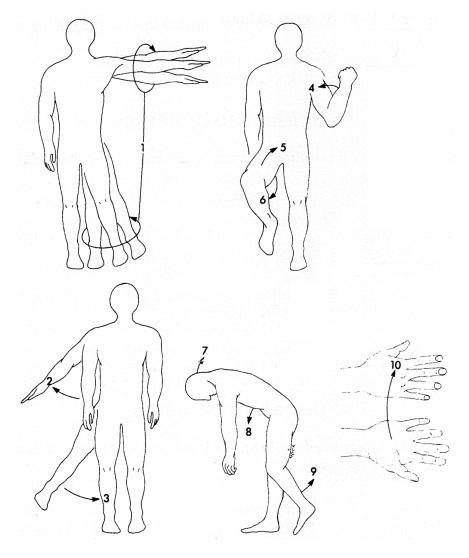


Figure 6.7

1.	 5.	8.	
2.	6.	9.	
3.	7.	10.	

QUICK RECALL

1.	List five functions of bone.
2.	List three functions of cartilage.
3.	List three types of bone cells, depending on their function.
4.	List two types of bone, depending on their internal structure.
5.	Name two types of bone ossification.
6.	Explain how a bone grows in diameter and length.
7.	Name the five types of vertebrae, and give the number of each found in the vertebral column.
8.	Name the three types of ribs according to their attachment, and give the number of each type.

- 9. Name the bones of the pectoral and pelvic girdles.
- 10. Give the number of carpals, metacarpals, and phalanges in the upper limb, and give the number of tarsals, metatarsals, and phalanges in the lower limb.
- 11. List the three major classes of joints.
- 12. Name the six types of synovial joints and give an example of each.

WORD PARTS

Give an example of a new vocabulary word that contains each word part.

WORD PART	MEANING	EXAMPLE
chondr-	cartilage	1
oste-	bone	2
cancel-	crossbar; lattice	3
lacun-	space; hollow	4
styl-	shaped like a pen	5
artic-	joint	6

MASTERY LEARNING ACTIVITY

Place the letter corresponding to the correct answer in the space provided.

1.	Which of these is a function of bone?	7.	Primary ossification centers of a long
	a. internal support and protection		bone are found in the
	b. provide attachment for muscles		a. diaphysis.
	c. mineral storage		b. epiphysis.
	d. blood cell formation		c. perichondrium.
	e. all of the above		d. periosteum.
	c. an or the above		e. articular cartilage.
2.	Bone matrix contains		e. articular cartilage.
	a. collagen.	8.	As a long hone increases in diameter
		0.	As a long bone increases in diameter,
	b. calcium and phosphate.		the medullary cavity
	c. proteoglycan.		a. increases in size.
	d. chondrocytes.		b. decreases in size.
	e. both a and b		c. does not change in size.
3.	A break in the shaft of a bone is a	9.	During bone growth at the
	break in the		epiphyseal plate, increase in
	a. epiphysis.		number, hypertrophy, and die.
	b. perichondrium.		a. osteocytes.
	c. diaphysis.		b. osteoblasts.
	d. articular cartilage.		c. osteoclasts.
	d. articular cartilage.		
4.	Which of these connective tissue		d. chondrocytes.
4.	structures cover the surface of	10.	The prime function of estandants is
		10.	The prime function of osteoclasts is
	mature bones?		to
	a. perichondrium		a. prevent osteoblasts from forming.
	b. periosteum		b. break down bone.
	c. hyaline cartilage		c. produce calcium salts and
	d. b and c		collagen fibers.
_			d. change spongy bone to cartilage.
5.	In compact bone, the osteocytes are		- 1 1
	connected to each other by tiny cell	11.	In the healing of bone fractures
	processes extending through tiny		a. a blood clot forms around the
	canals called		break.
	a. lamellae.		b. a callus is formed.
	b. lacunae.		c. cancellous bone is formed in the
	c. central canals.		callus.
	d. canaliculi.		d. the callus may eventually
			disappear.
6.	Intramembranous ossification		e. all of the above
	a. occurs at the epiphyseal plate.		
	b. gives rise to the flat bones of the	12.	Which of these is a tunnel-like
	skull.	1	passage through a bone?
	c. is responsible for increased		a. canal or meatus
	diameter of bone.		b. condyle
	d. develops from a cartilage model.		c. foramen
	a. acverops from a carmage model.		d. fossa
			e. process

13.	Which of these is part of the	20.	Which of these parts of the upper
	appendicular skeleton? a. cranium		limb is NOT correctly matched with
	b. ribs		the number of bones in that part? a. arm: 1
	c. clavicle		b. forearm: 2
	d. sternum		c. wrist: 10
	e. vertebra		d. palm of hand: 5 e. fingers: 14
14.	The perpendicular plate of the		0. 1118610.11
	ethmoid and the form the	21.	Process that forms the outer ankle?
	nasal septum.		a. lateral condyle
	a. zygomatic arch		b. lateral epicondyle
	b. nasal bone		c. lateral tuberosity
	c. nasal conchae		d. lateral malleolus
	d. vomer		e. none of the above
15.	Which of these bones does NOT	22.	Which of these pairs of bones or
15.	contain a paranasal sinus?		structures do NOT articulate with
	a. ethmoid		each other?
	b. sphenoid		a. mandible - temporal bone
	c. temporal		b. maxillary bone - palatine bone
	d. frontal		c. scapula - clavicle
	e. maxilla		d. head of the ulna - humerus
1.6	The second section to the		e. acetabulum of coxa - femur
16.	The squamous suture joins the	22	TATE OF COLUMN CONTRACTOR
	a. frontal and temporal bones.	23.	Which of these types of joints contain
	b. frontal and parietal bones.		fibrous connective tissue?
	c. parietal and temporal bones.		a. syndesmosis
	d. parietal and occipital bones.		b. suture
4=	mi di .		c. gomphosis
17.	The passageway that carries tears		d. a and b
	from the eyes to the nasal cavity is		e. all of the above
	a. the nasolacrimal canal.	_,	
	b. the optic foramen.	24.	Which of these is characteristic of a
	c. the orbital fissure.		synovial joint?
	d. the foramen magnum.		a. articular surfaces covered with
			cartilage
18.	The weight-bearing portion of a		b. joint capsule
	vertebra is the		c. synovial membrane
	a. vertebral arch.		d. synovial fluid
	b. articular process.		e. all of the above
	c. body.		
	d. transverse process.	25.	Once a doorknob is grasped with the
	e. spinous process.		right hand, what movement of the
			forearm is necessary to unlatch the
19.	Transverse foramina are found only		door (turn in a clockwise direction)?
	in		a. pronation
	a. cervical vertebrae.		b. rotation
	b. thoracic vertebrae.		c. flexion
	c. lumbar vertebrae.		d. supination
	d. the sacrum.		e. extension
	e. the coccyx		



Use a separate sheet of paper to complete this section.

- 1. A doctor tells an elderly friend of yours that the cartilage in his joints is degenerating and has lost its resiliency. Your friend asks you to explain what that means and what the consequences might be. What do you say?
- 2. The length of the lower limbs of a 5-year-old were measured, and it was determined that one limb was 2 cm shorter than the other limb. Would you expect the little girl to exhibit kyphosis, scoliosis, or lordosis? Explain.
- 3. Can you suggest a possible advantage in having the coccyx attached to the sacrum by a flexible cartilage joint?
- 4. What would be the likely consequences if a fontanel in a baby's skull fused shortly after birth?