

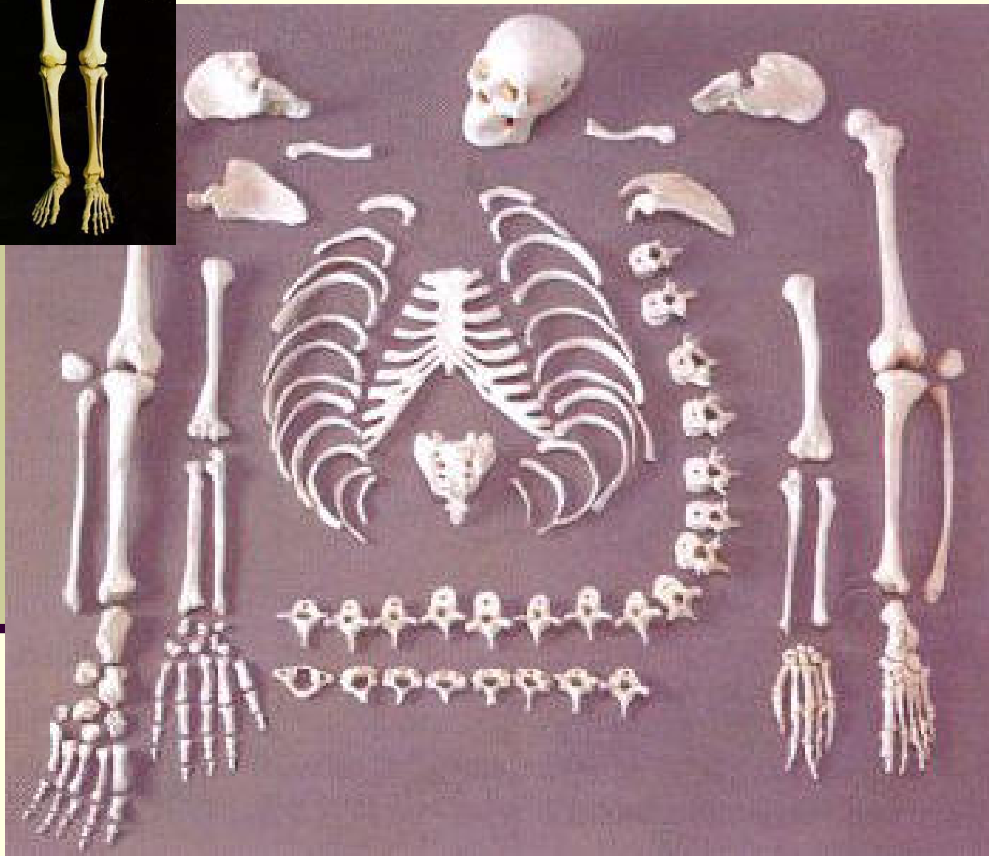
# UNDERSTANDING WORDS

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- For Chapters 6 and 7 check out pages 157 and 181. For example:
  - Ax-, axis: axial skeleton – upright portion of the skeleton that supports the head, neck, and trunk.
  - -blast, bud or offshoot, a growing organism in early stages: osteoblast – cell that will form bone tissue.
  - Fove-, pit: fovea capitis – pit in the head of a femur



# Chapter 7 – The Skeletal System



- Classification of Bones – 2 Groups
  - Axial Skeleton – forms the long axis of the body, Includes: bones of the skull, vertebral column, and rib cage
  - Appendicular Skeleton – relating to an appendage, Includes: bones of the upper and lower limbs, shoulder girdle, and hip girdle
  - A total of 206 bones in the human body. See page 196 in the textbook for breakdown.

# Parts of the skeleton often persist in decomposed remains of human bodies

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- Useful in Forensic Science especially in the resolution of cases dealing with missing persons and criminal investigations
- Useful in studies of archeology and anthropology (e.g., longevity, quality of diet)
- Useful in studies of paleontology, especially when bones are preserved by process of fossilization. Bones can assist scientist in answering questions regarding human origins

# The Biological Origins of *Homo sapiens* (wise man)

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- Charles Darwin predicted in ***The Descent of Man, and Selection in Relation to Sex*** (1871) that the earliest human ancestors probably originated in Africa.
  - Large-brained fossil humans in Europe swung scientific opinion in favor of Eurasia during the first third of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.
  - Raymond Dart and Robert Broom found fossil evidence to the contrary to the prevailing idea of the time during the 1920s and 1930s.
  - Dart's Taung Child is *Australopithecus africanus* and lived about 2.5 million years ago.
- During hominid evolution which came first, a large brain or the ability to walk upright? Fossilized skeletal remains give some insight into this question.
  - The ancestors of later hominid lineages had small brains but could walk upright. This notion when initially introduced was met with skepticism by the "experts" of the day, much to Dart's dismay. Later studies confirmed that the first "human-like" animals were bipedal, then later developed larger brains.
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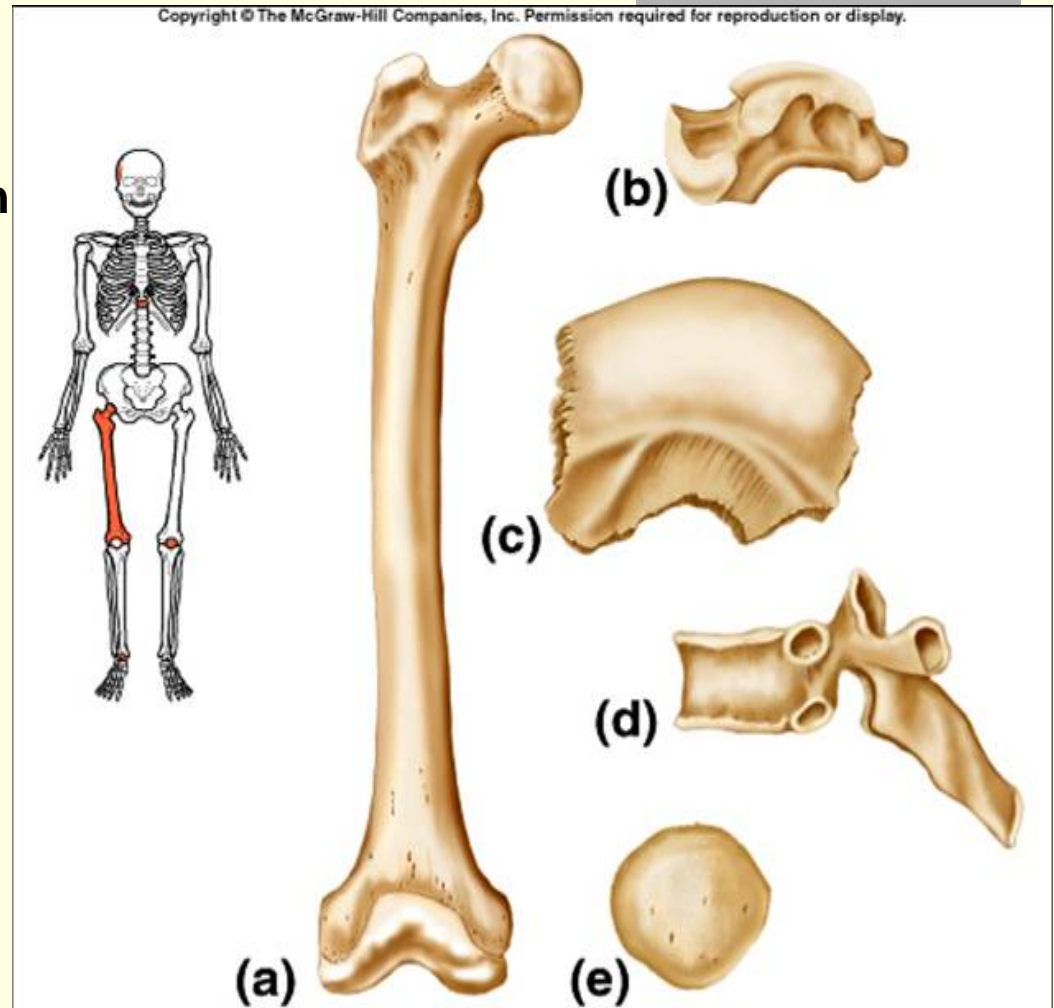
# Raymond Dart Holding Skull of Taung Child Discovered in 1924 at Taung in South Africa

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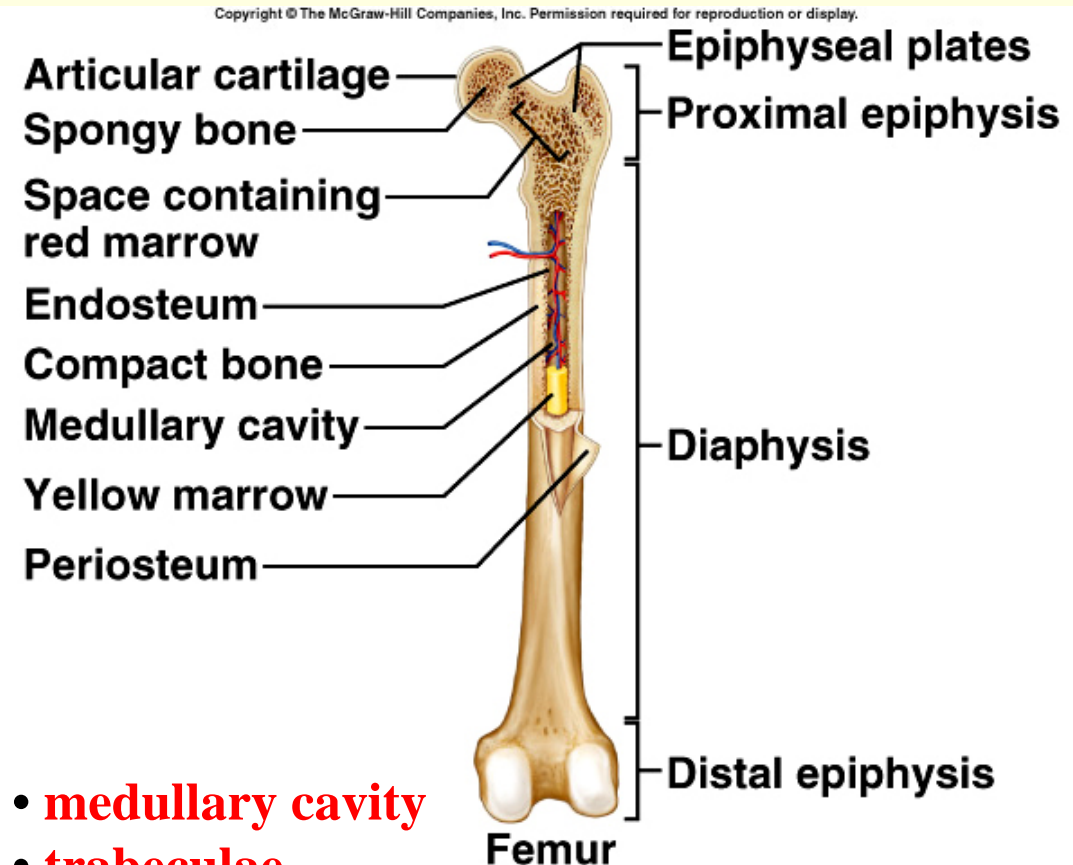
# Bone Classification

- **Long** Bones – long longitudinal axes and expanded ends (examples include the forearm and thigh bones)
- **Short** Bones – somewhat cube-like (examples include the wrist and ankle bones)
- **Flat** Bones – plate-like (examples include some bones in the skull, rib bones)
- **Irregular** Bones (many facial bones and vertebrate)
- **Sesamoid** Bones – bones embedded in the tendons next to joints (e.g., patella)



# Parts of Long Bone

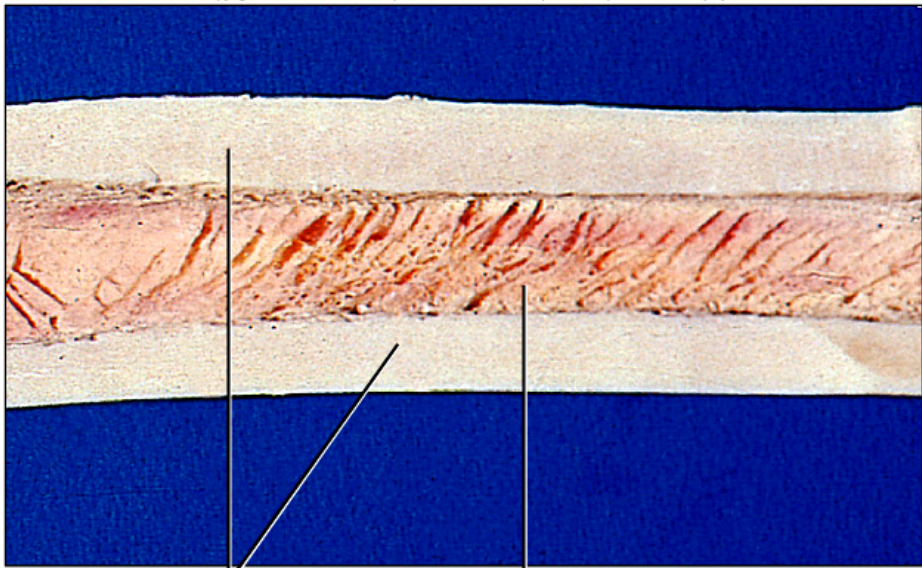
- **epiphysis (expanded portions)**
  - distal
  - proximal
- **diaphysis (bone shaft)**
- **compact** bone
- **spongy** bone
- **articular** cartilage
  - (hyaline cartilage)
- **periosteum**
  - (fibrous tissue attached to bone surface)
- **endosteum** (membrane of bone-forming cells)



- **medullary cavity**
- **trabeculae**
- **marrow**
  - red
  - yellow

# Compact and Spongy Bone

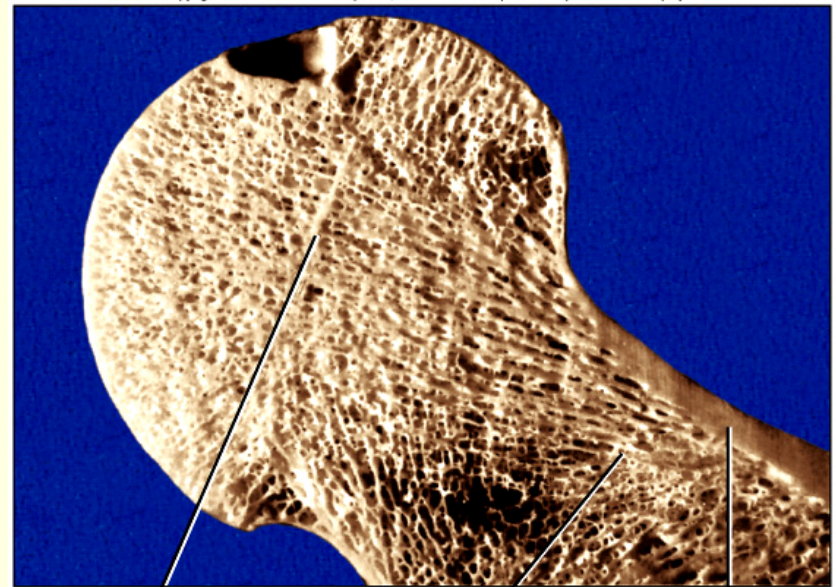
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Compact bone

Yellow marrow in medullary cavity

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Remnant of epiphyseal plate

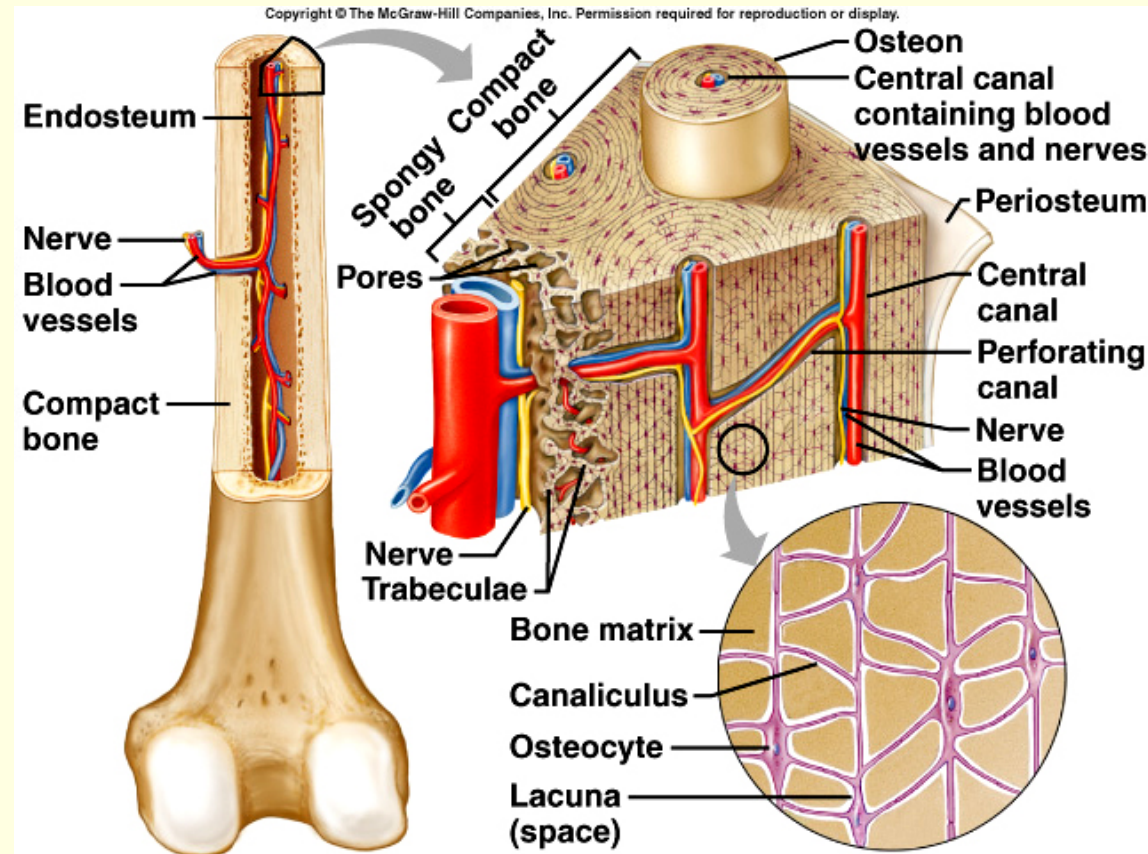
Spongy bone

Compact bone



# Microscopic Structure of Compact Bone

- **osteon** (Haversian System)
- **central canal**
- **perforating canal**
- **osteocytes** (originate from osteoblasts)
- **lacuna**
- **bone matrix**
- **canaliculus** (canals that allow transport of nutrients and wastes between osteocytes)



# Bone Development

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**Intramembranous Ossification** (process of replacing connective tissue to form bone)

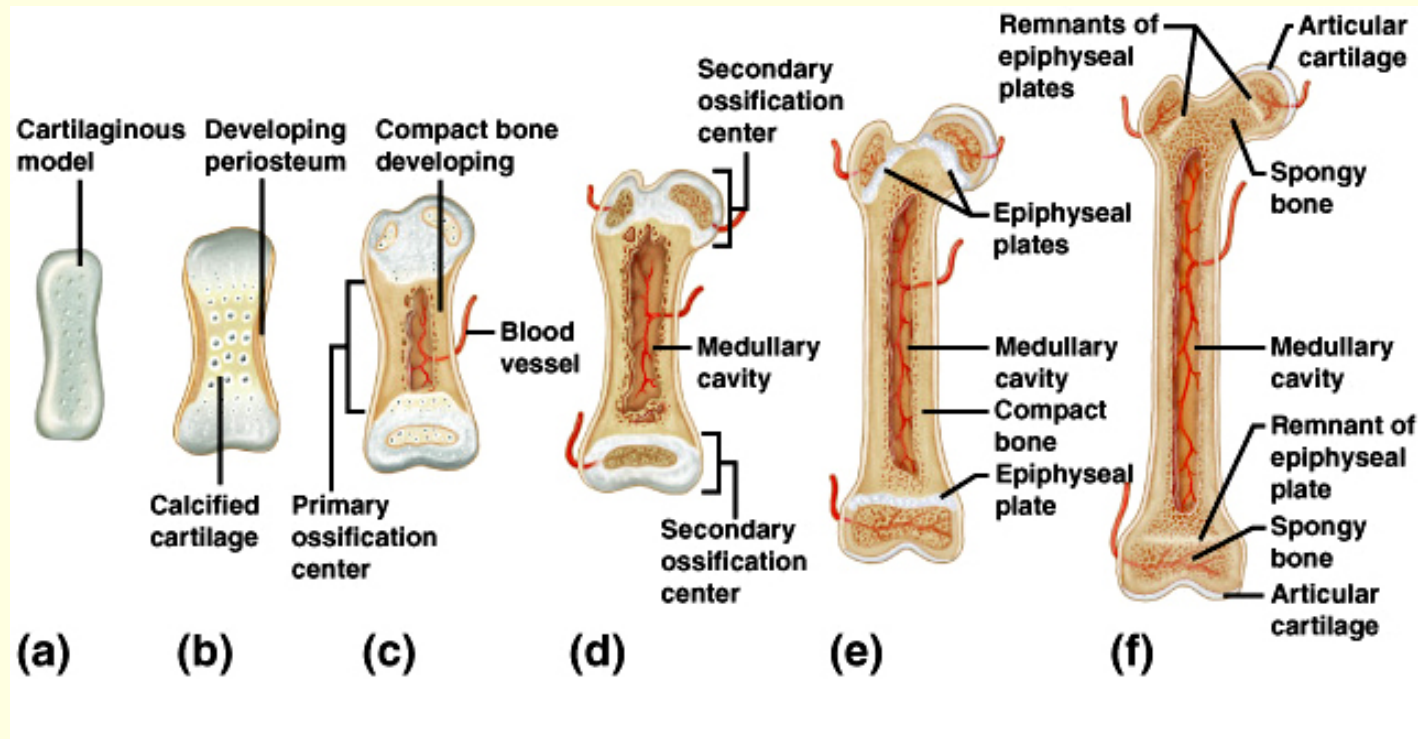
- bones originate within sheetlike layers of connective tissues
- broad, flat bones
- skull bones (except mandible)
- intramembranous bones

**Endochondral Ossification** (process of replacing cartilage to form bone)

- bones begin as hyaline cartilage
- most bones of the skeleton
- endochondral bones

# Endochondral Ossification

- hyaline cartilage model
- primary ossification center
- secondary ossification centers
- epiphyseal plate
- osteoblasts (cells that become osteocytes) vs. osteoclasts (cells that erode bone)



**TABLE 7.1** Major Steps in Bone Development

<b>Intramembranous Ossification</b>	<b>Endochondral Ossification</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Sheets of primitive connective tissue appear at sites of future bones.</li><li>2. Primitive connective tissue cells collect around blood vessels in these layers.</li><li>3. Connective tissue cells differentiate into osteoblasts, which deposit spongy bone.</li><li>4. Osteoblasts become osteocytes when bony matrix completely surrounds them.</li><li>5. Connective tissue on the surface of each developing structure forms a periosteum.</li><li>6. Osteoblasts on the inside of the periosteum deposit compact bone over the spongy bone.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Masses of hyaline cartilage form models of future bones.</li><li>2. Cartilage tissue breaks down. Periosteum develops.</li><li>3. Blood vessels and differentiating osteoblasts from the periosteum invade the disintegrating tissue.</li><li>4. Osteoblasts form spongy bone in the space occupied by cartilage.</li><li>5. Osteoblasts become osteocytes when bony matrix completely surrounds them.</li><li>6. Osteoblasts beneath the periosteum deposit compact bone around spongy bone.</li></ol>



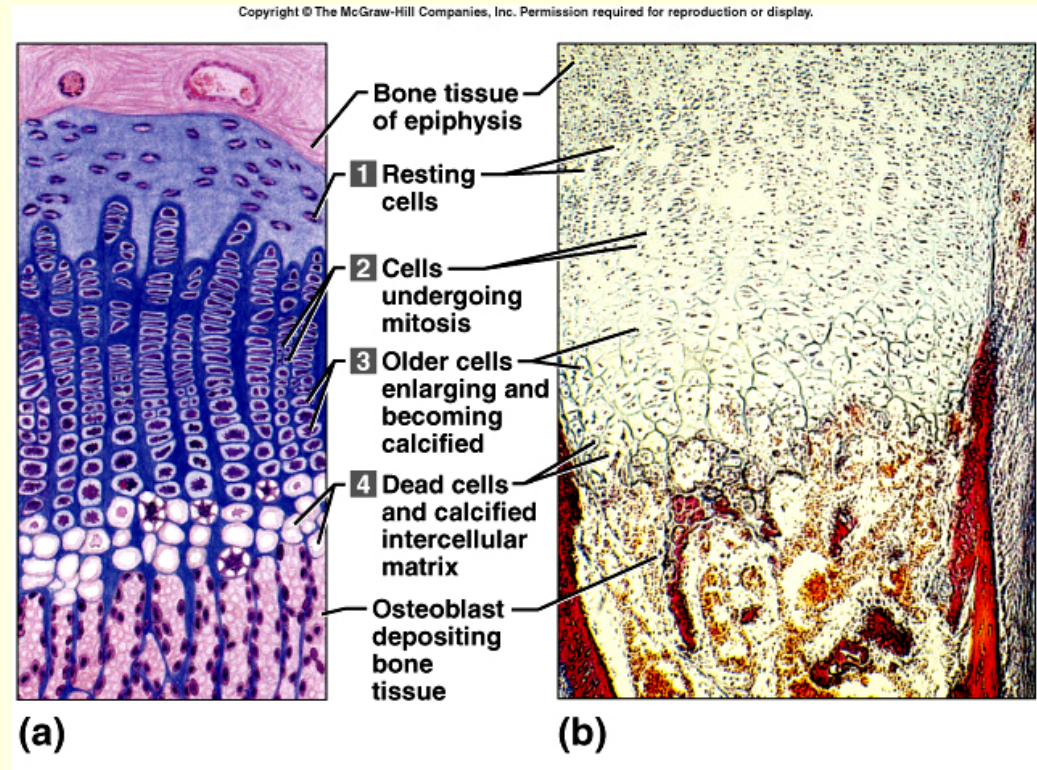
# Growth at the Epiphyseal Plate

## First layer of cells

- closest to the end of epiphysis
- resting cells
- anchors epiphyseal plate to epiphysis

## Second layer of cells

- many rows of young cells
- undergoing mitosis



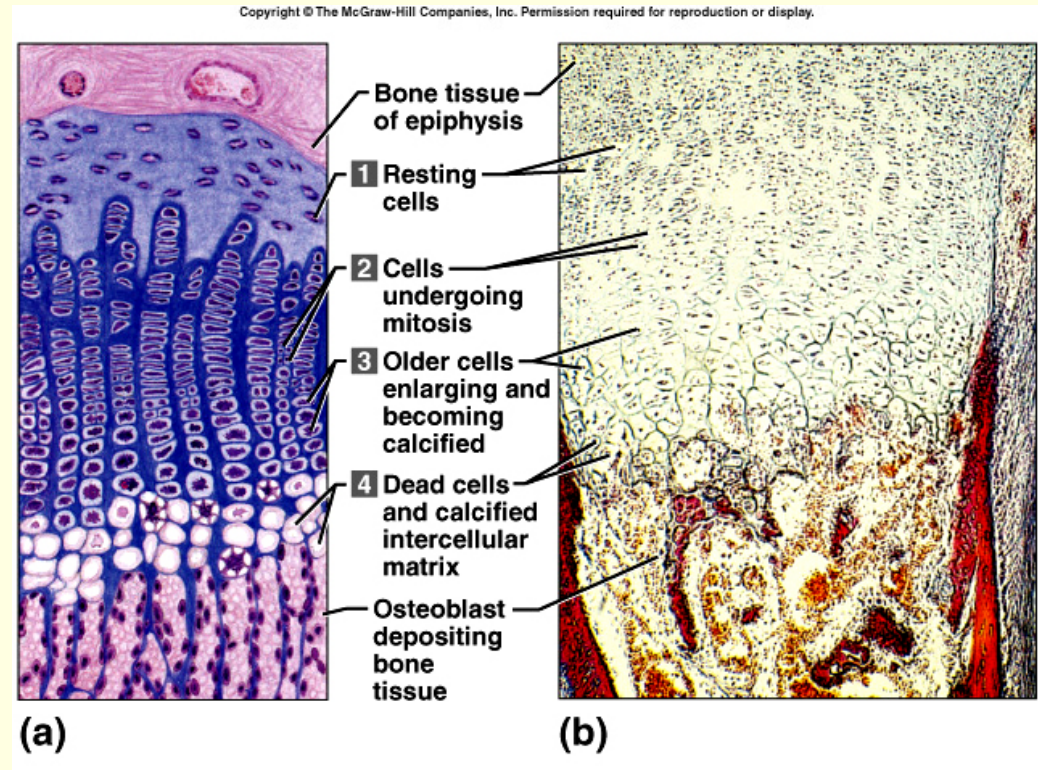
# Growth at the Epiphyseal Plate

## Third layer of cells

- older cells
- left behind when new cells appear
- cells enlarging and becoming calcified

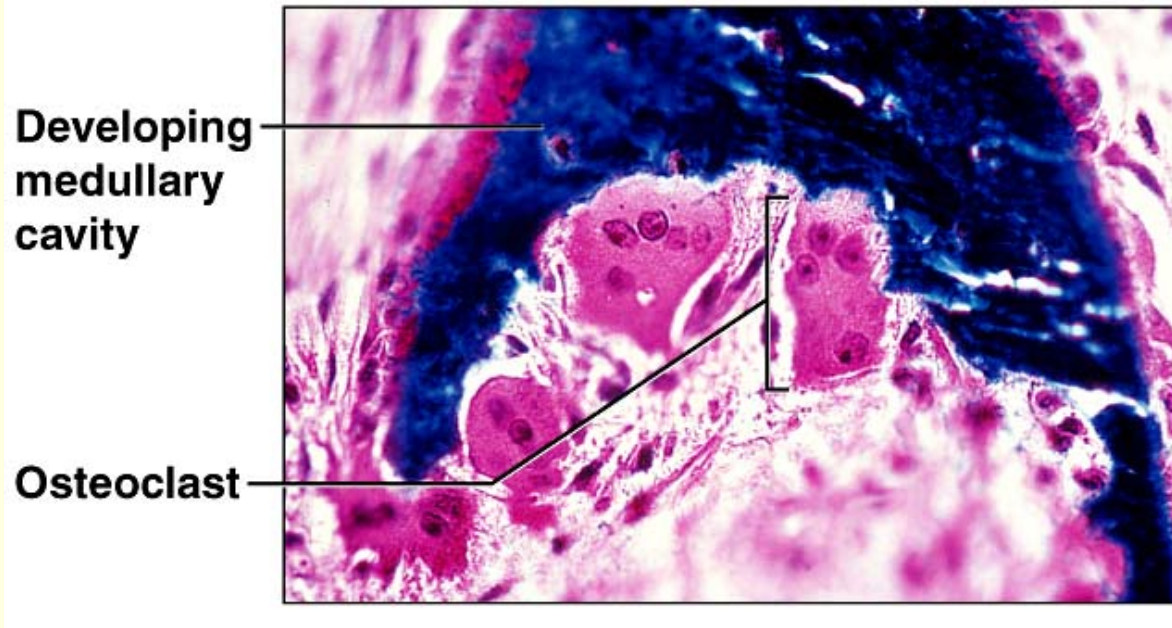
## Fourth layer of cells

- thin
- dead cells
- calcified intercellular substance



# Homeostasis of Bone Tissue

- **Bone Resorption** – action of osteoclasts and parathyroid hormone
- **Bone Deposition** – action of osteoblasts and calcitonin
  - Resorption and Deposition are Opposing Processes
  - Total mass of bone tissue in and adult skeleton remains nearly constant, even though 3-5% of bone calcium is exchanged each year.





**TABLE 7.2** Ossification Timetable

Age	Occurrence	Age	Occurrence
Third month of prenatal development	Ossification in long bones begins.	15 to 18 years (females) 17 to 20 years (males)	Bones of the upper limbs and scapulae completely ossify.
Fourth month of prenatal development	Most primary ossification centers have appeared in the diaphyses of bones.	16 to 21 years (females) 18 to 23 years (males)	Bones of the lower limbs and coxal bones completely ossify.
Birth to 5 years	Secondary ossification centers appear in the epiphyses.	21 to 23 years (females) 23 to 25 years (males)	Bones of the sternum, clavicles, and vertebrae completely ossify.
5 to 12 years in females, or 5 to 14 years in males	Ossification rapidly spreads from the ossification centers, and certain bones are ossifying.	By 23 years (females) By 25 years (males)	Nearly all bones completely ossify.

Radiograph showing the presence of epiphyseal plates in a child's bones indicates the the bones are still lengthening.

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# **Factors Affecting Bone Development, Growth, and Repair**

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- **Deficiency of Vitamin A – retards bone development**
- **Deficiency of Vitamin C – results in fragile bones**
- **Deficiency of Vitamin D – rickets (children), osteomalacia (adults)**
- **Insufficient Growth Hormone – dwarfism**
- **Excessive Growth Hormone – gigantism, acromegaly**
- **Insufficient Thyroid Hormone – delays bone growth**
- **Sex Hormones – promote bone formation; stimulate ossification of epiphyseal plates**
- **Physical Stress – stimulates bone growth**

# Homeostatic Imbalances

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## ■ Osteomalacia

- Bones are inadequately mineralized causing softened, weakened bones
- Main symptom is pain when weight is put on the affected bone
- Caused by insufficient calcium in the diet, or by vitamin D deficiency, etc.

# Homeostatic Imbalances

- Rickets
  - Bones of children are inadequately mineralized causing softened, weakened bones
  - Bowed legs and deformities of the pelvis, skull, and rib cage are common
  - Caused by insufficient calcium in the diet, or by vitamin D deficiency
  - Figure on right is an X-ray of a child with bowed legs due to rickets





# Homeostatic Imbalances

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## ■ Osteoporosis

- Group of diseases in which bone resorption outpaces bone deposit
- Spongy bone of the spine is most vulnerable
- Occurs most often in postmenopausal women

## ■ Treatment

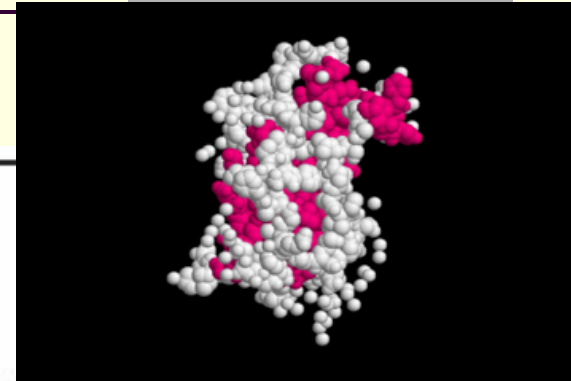
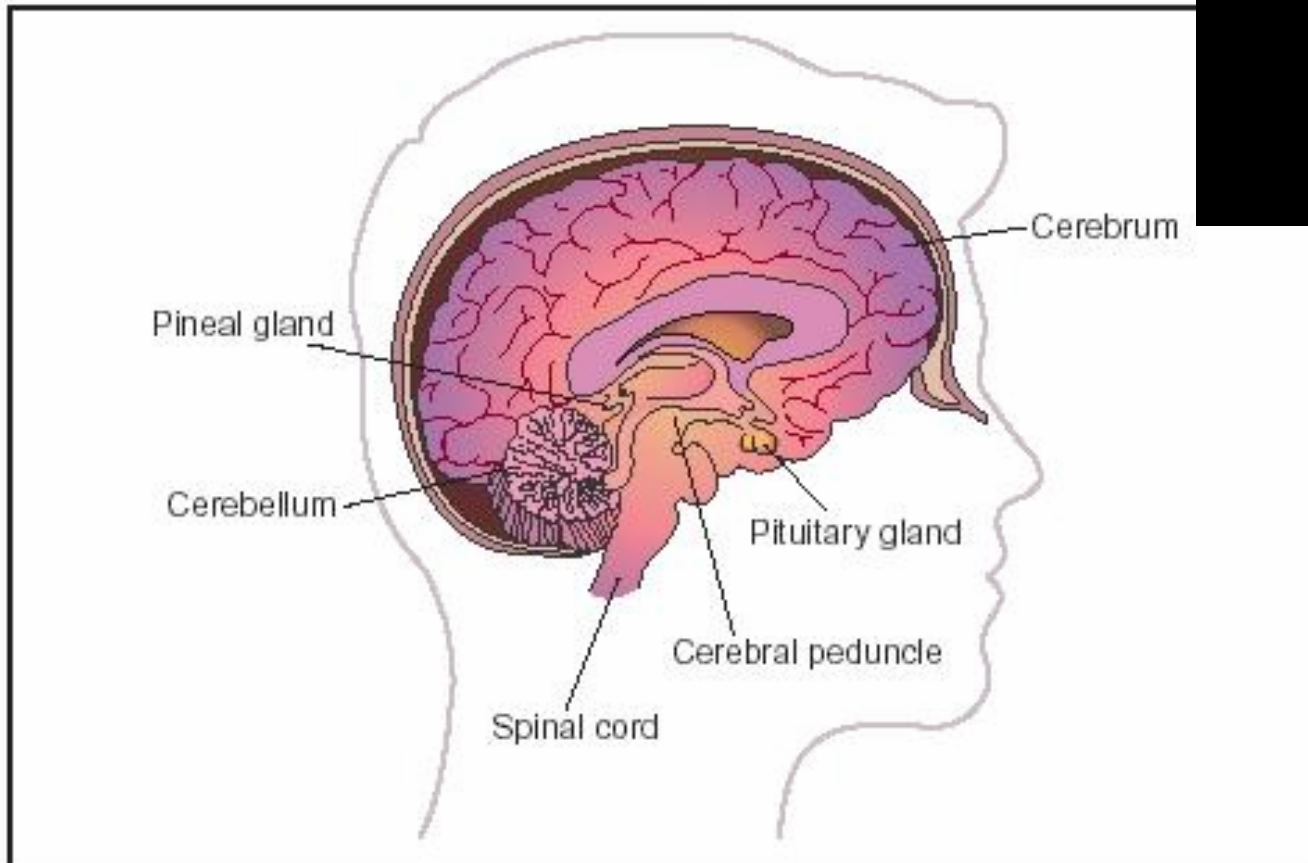
- Calcium and vitamin D supplements
- Increased weight bearing exercise
- Hormone (estrogen) replacement therapy (HRT)

- Prevented or delayed by sufficient calcium intake and weight-bearing exercise

# Paget's Disease -malfunction in the normal process of bone remodelling

- Characterized by excessive bone formation and breakdown
- Pagetic bone has a higher ratio of spongy bone to compact bone
- Pagetic bone, along with reduced mineralization, causes spotty weakening of bone
- Osteoclast activity wanes, but osteoblast activity continues and may form irregular bone thickenings or fill the marrow cavity
- Cause is unknown

# Human Growth Hormone - Polypeptide Hormone Secreted by the Anterior Pituitary Gland



# Human Growth Hormone – Too much or Too little of a good thing



- **Human Growth Hormone**
  - Polypeptide Hormone Secreted by the Anterior Pituitary Gland
- **Hormone Imbalance**
  - **Too much HGH**
    - Pituitary gigantism
    - **Acromegaly** (from Greek *akros* "high" and *megas* "large" - extremities enlargement)
  - **Too little HGH**
    - When severe GH deficiency is present from birth and never treated, adult heights can be as short as 48-58 inches (122-147 cm).
    - Also called pituitary dwarfism.
    - Other conditions can lead to dwarfism.

# Bone Function

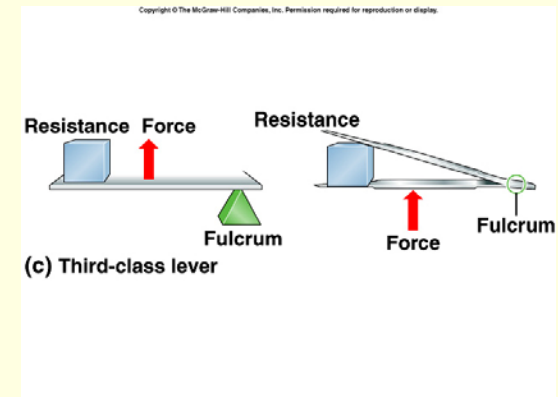
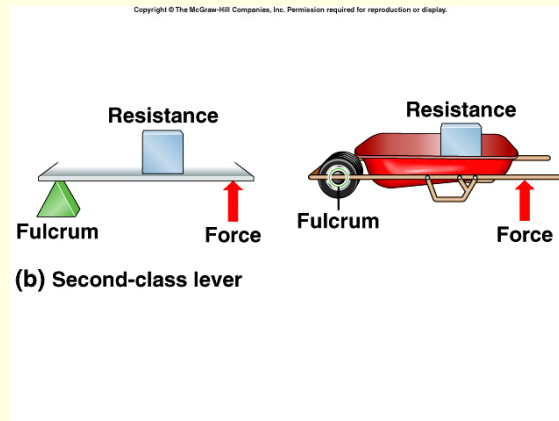
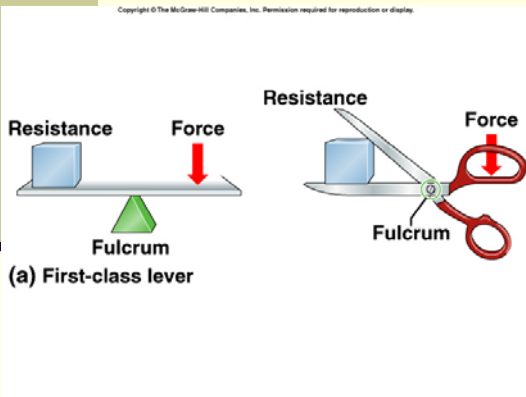
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- **Support and Protection**
  - gives shape to head, etc.
  - supports body's weight
  - protects lungs, etc.
- **Body Movement**
  - interacts with muscles
  - bones act as rigid bar of a lever
- **Blood Cell Formation**
  - **hematopoiesis**
  - red marrow (active)
  - Yellow marrow (fat storage and inactive)
- **Inorganic Salt Storage**
  - calcium
  - phosphate
  - magnesium
  - sodium
  - potassium

# Levers

## Four Basic Components

1. rigid bar – bones
2. fulcrum – point on which bar moves; joint
3. object moved against resistance
4. force – supplies energy for movement; muscles



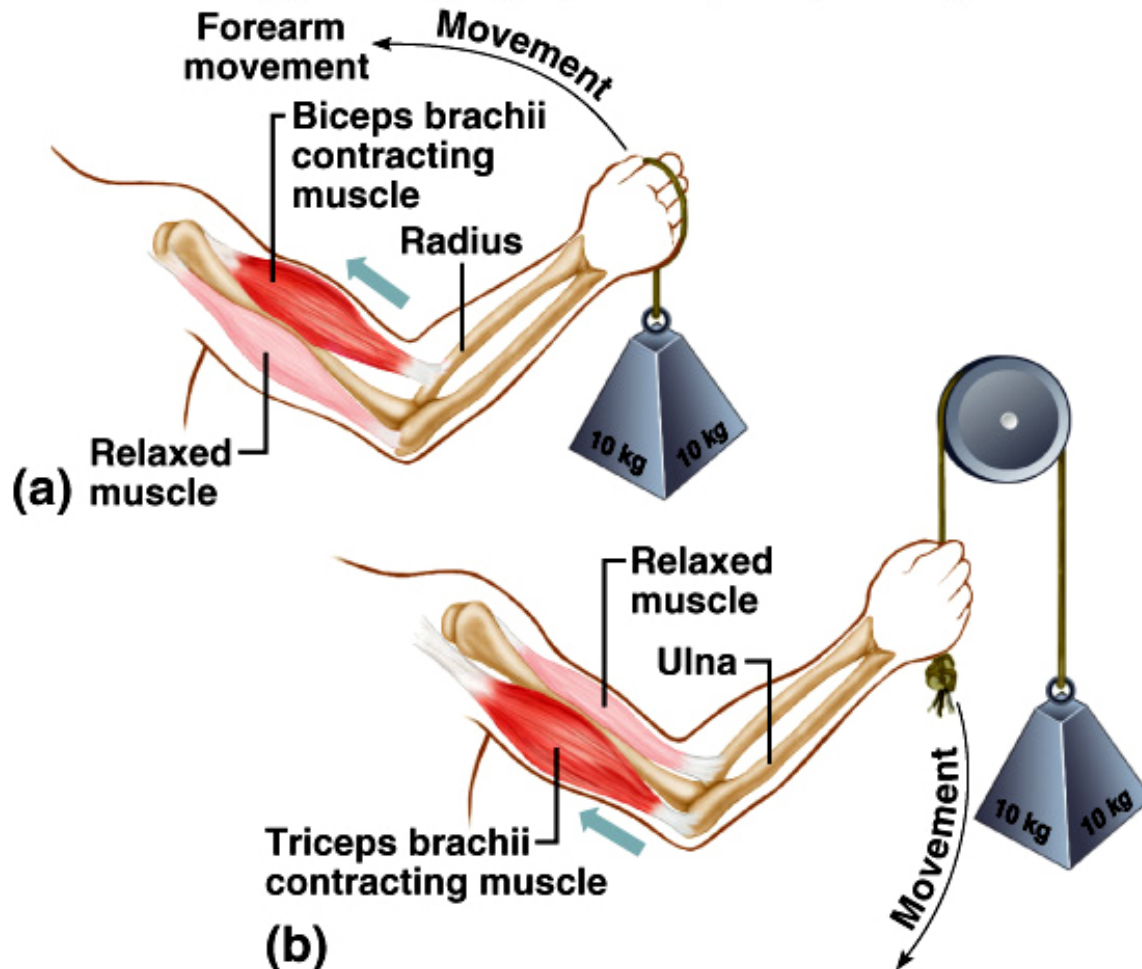
**FEMUR:**  
posterior surface  
of left femur (left);  
anterior surface  
of right femur  
(right)

**Sites of  
muscle  
attachments**

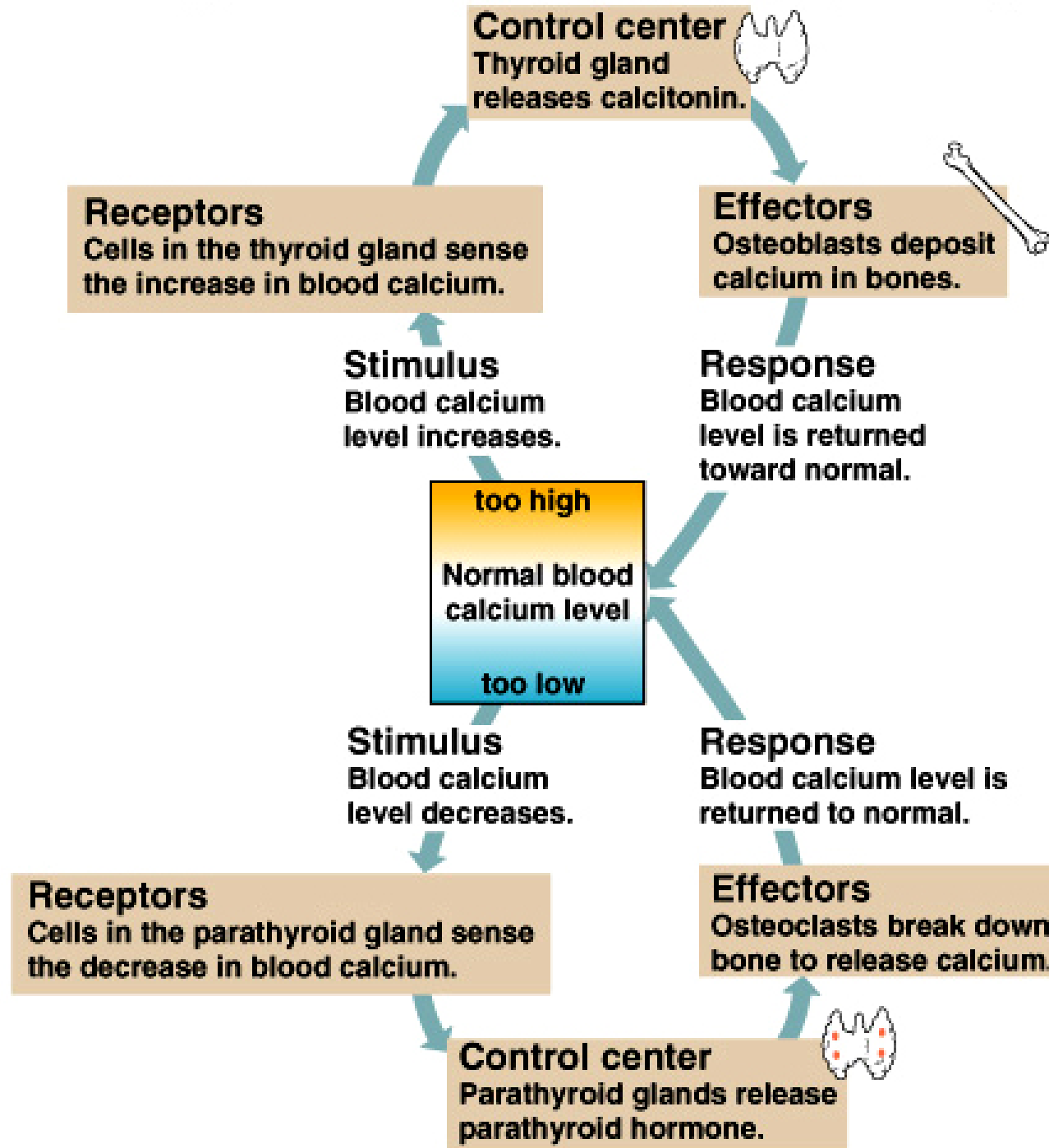


# Levers and Movement

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**TABLE 7.3**      **Bones of the Adult Skeleton**

<b>1. Axial Skeleton</b>	
<b>a. Skull</b>	22 bones
8 cranial bones	
frontal 1	
parietal 2	
occipital 1	
temporal 2	
sphenoid 1	
ethmoid 1	
14 facial bones	
maxilla 2	
palatine 2	
zygomatic 2	
lacrimal 2	
nasal 2	
vomer 1	
inferior nasal concha 2	
mandible 1	
<b>b. Middle ear bones</b>	6 bones
malleus 2	
incus 2	
stapes 2	
<b>c. Hyoid</b>	1 bone
hyoid bone 1	
<b>d. Vertebral column</b>	26 bones
cervical vertebra 7	
thoracic vertebra 12	
lumbar vertebra 5	
sacrum 1	
coccyx 1	
<b>e. Thoracic cage</b>	25 bones
rib 24	
sternum 1	

## 2. Appendicular Skeleton

<b>a. Pectoral girdle</b>	4 bones
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scapula 2

clavicle 2

<b>b. Upper limbs</b>	60 bones
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humerus 2

radius 2

ulna 2

carpal 16

metacarpal 10

phalanx 28

<b>c. Pelvic girdle</b>	2 bones
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coxa 2

<b>d. Lower limbs</b>	60 bones
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femur 2

tibia 2

fibula 2

patella 2

tarsal 14

metatarsal 10

phalanx 28

<b>Total</b>	<hr/> 206 bones
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# Bone Markings

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- Bulges, depressions, and holes that serve as:
  - Sites of attachment for muscles, ligaments, and tendons
  - Joint surfaces
  - Conduits for blood vessels and nerves

# Bone Markings:

## **Projections –**

## **Sites of Muscle and Ligament Attachment**

- Tuberosity – rounded projection
  - Crest – narrow, prominent ridge of bone
  - Trochanter – large, blunt, irregular surface
  - Line – narrow ridge of bone
- Tubercle – small rounded projection
  - Epicondyle – raised area above a condyle
  - Spine – sharp, slender projection
  - Process – any bony prominence

# Bone Markings:

## **Projections That Help Form Joints**

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- Head – bony expansion carried on a narrow neck
- Facet – smooth, nearly flat articular surface
- Condyle – rounded articular projection
- Ramus – armlike bar of bone

# Bone Markings: Depressions and Openings

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- Meatus – canal-like passageway
- Sinus – cavity within a bone
- Fossa – shallow, basinlike depression
- Groove – furrow
- Fissure – narrow, slitlike opening
- Foramen – round or oval opening through a bone

**TABLE 7.4** Terms Used to Describe Skeletal Structures

Term	Definition	Example
condyle (kon'dīl)	A rounded process that usually articulates with another bone	Occipital condyle of the occipital bone (fig. 7.22)
crest (krest)	A narrow, ridgelike projection	Iliac crest of the ilium (fig. 7.50)
epicondyle (ep'ī-kon'dīl)	A projection situated above a condyle	Medial epicondyle of the humerus (fig. 7.45)
facet (fas'et)	A small, nearly flat surface	Facet of a thoracic vertebra (fig. 7.38)
fissure (fish'ūr)	A cleft or groove	Inferior orbital fissure in the orbit of the eye (fig. 7.20)
fontanel (fon'tah-nel')	A soft spot in the skull where membranes cover the space between bones	Anterior fontanel between the frontal and parietal bones (fig. 7.33)
foramen (fo-ra'men)	An opening through a bone that usually serves as a passageway for blood vessels, nerves, or ligaments	Foramen magnum of the occipital bone (fig. 7.22)
fossa (fos'ah)	A relatively deep pit or depression	Olecranon fossa of the humerus (fig. 7.45)
fovea (fo've-ah)	A tiny pit or depression	Fovea capitis of the femur (fig. 7.53)
head (hed)	An enlargement on the end of a bone	Head of the humerus (fig. 7.45)
linea (lin'e-ah)	A narrow ridge	Linea aspera of the femur (fig. 7.53)
meatus (me-a'tus)	A tubelike passageway within a bone	External acoustic meatus of the ear (fig. 7.21)
process (pros'es)	A prominent projection on a bone	Mastoid process of the temporal bone (fig. 7.21)
ramus (ra'mus)	A branch or similar extension	Ramus of the mandible (fig. 7.31)
sinus (si'nus)	A cavity within a bone	Frontal sinus of the frontal bone (fig. 7.27)
spine (spīn)	A thornlike projection	Spine of the scapula (fig. 7.43)
suture (soo'cher)	An interlocking line of union between bones	Lambdoidal suture between the occipital and parietal bones (fig. 7.21)
trochanter (tro-kan'ter)	A relatively large process	Greater trochanter of the femur (fig. 7.53)
tubercle (tu'ber-kl)	A small, knoblike process	Tubercle of a rib (fig. 7.41)
tuberosity (tu'bē-ros'ī-te)	A knoblike process usually larger than a tubercle	Radial tuberosity of the radius (fig. 7.46)



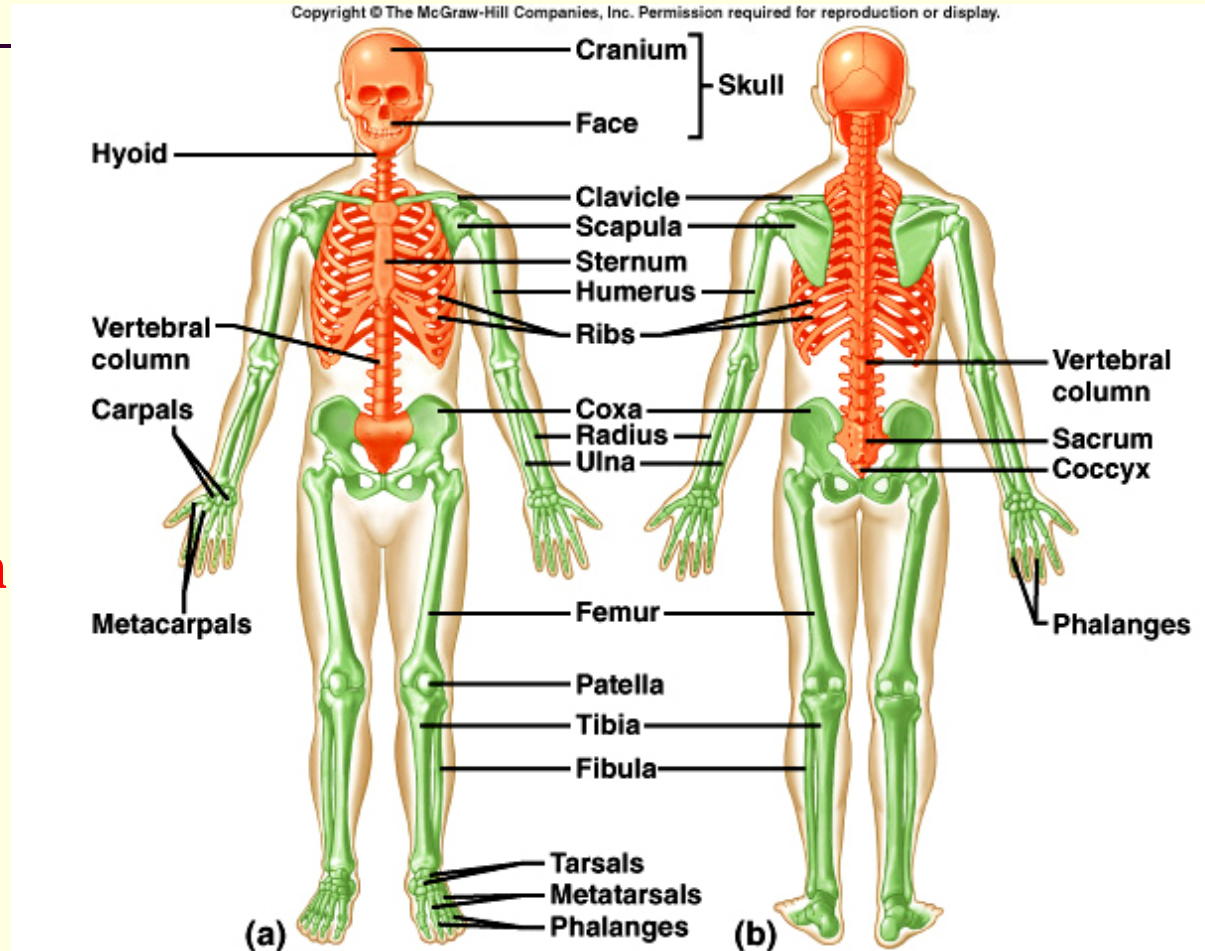
# Skeletal Organization

## Axial Skeleton

- head
- neck
- trunk

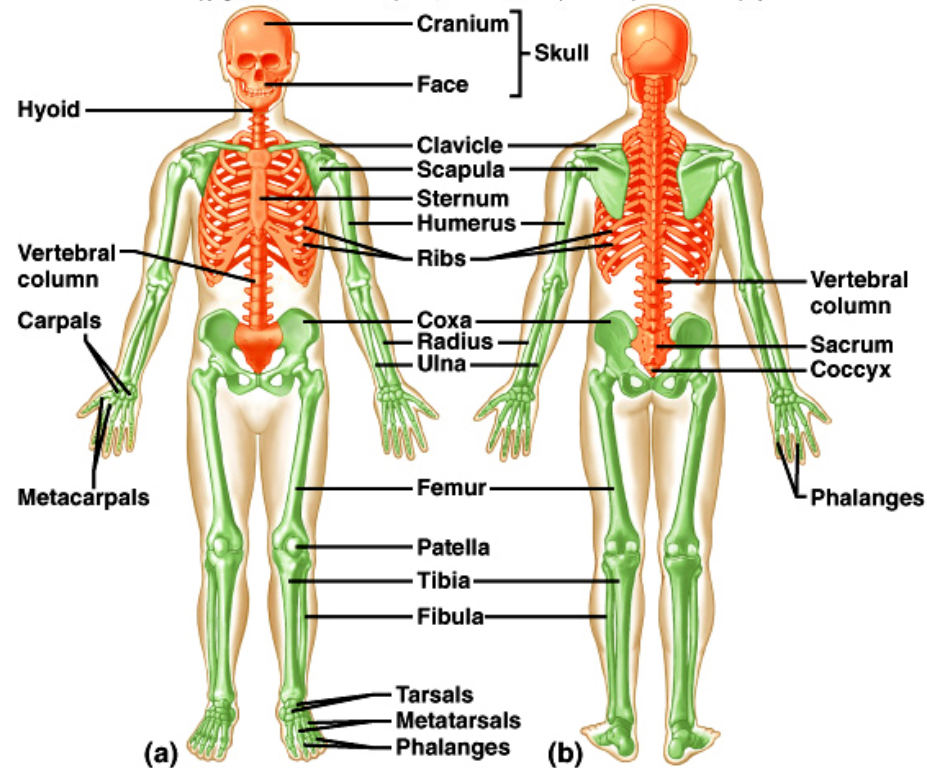
## Appendicular Skeleton

- upper limbs
- lower limbs
- pectoral girdle
- pelvic girdle

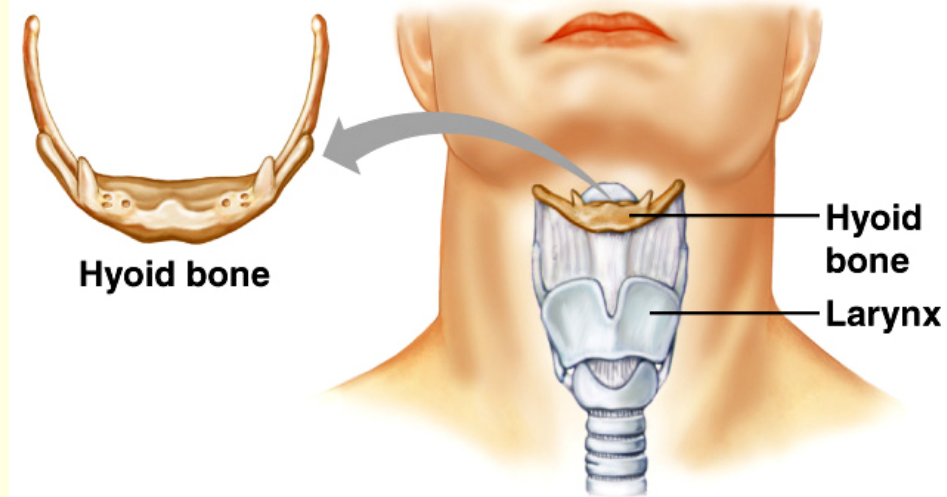


# Skeletal Organization

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**TABLE 7.5**    Cranial Bones

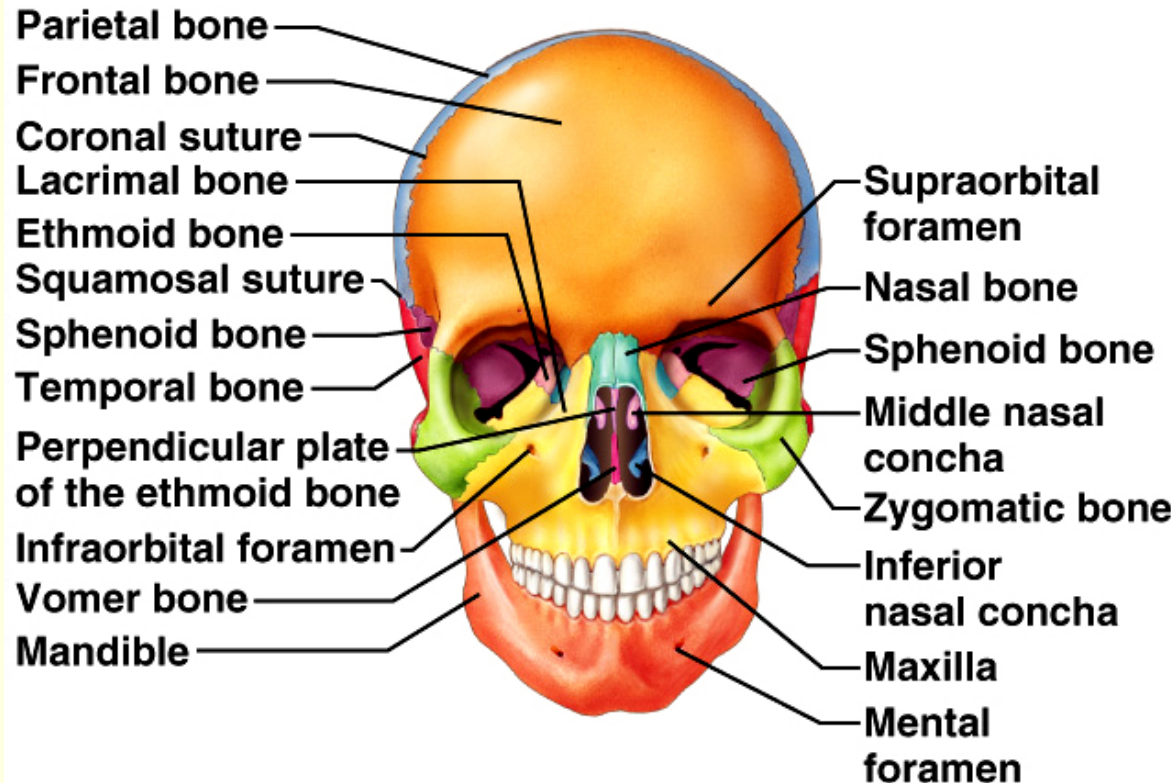
<b>Name and Number</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Special Features</b>
Frontal (1)	Forms forehead, roof of nasal cavity, and roofs of orbits	Supraorbital foramen, frontal sinuses
Parietal (2)	Form side walls and roof of cranium	Fused at midline along sagittal suture
Occipital (1)	Forms back of skull and base of cranium	Foramen magnum, occipital condyles
Temporal (2)	Form side walls and floor of cranium	External acoustic meatus, mandibular fossa, mastoid process, styloid process, zygomatic process
Sphenoid (1)	Forms parts of base of cranium, sides of skull, and floors and sides of orbits	Sella turcica, sphenoidal sinuses
Ethmoid (1)	Forms parts of roof and walls of nasal cavity, floor of cranium, and walls of orbits	Cribriform plates, perpendicular plate, superior and middle nasal conchae, ethmoidal sinuses, crista galli

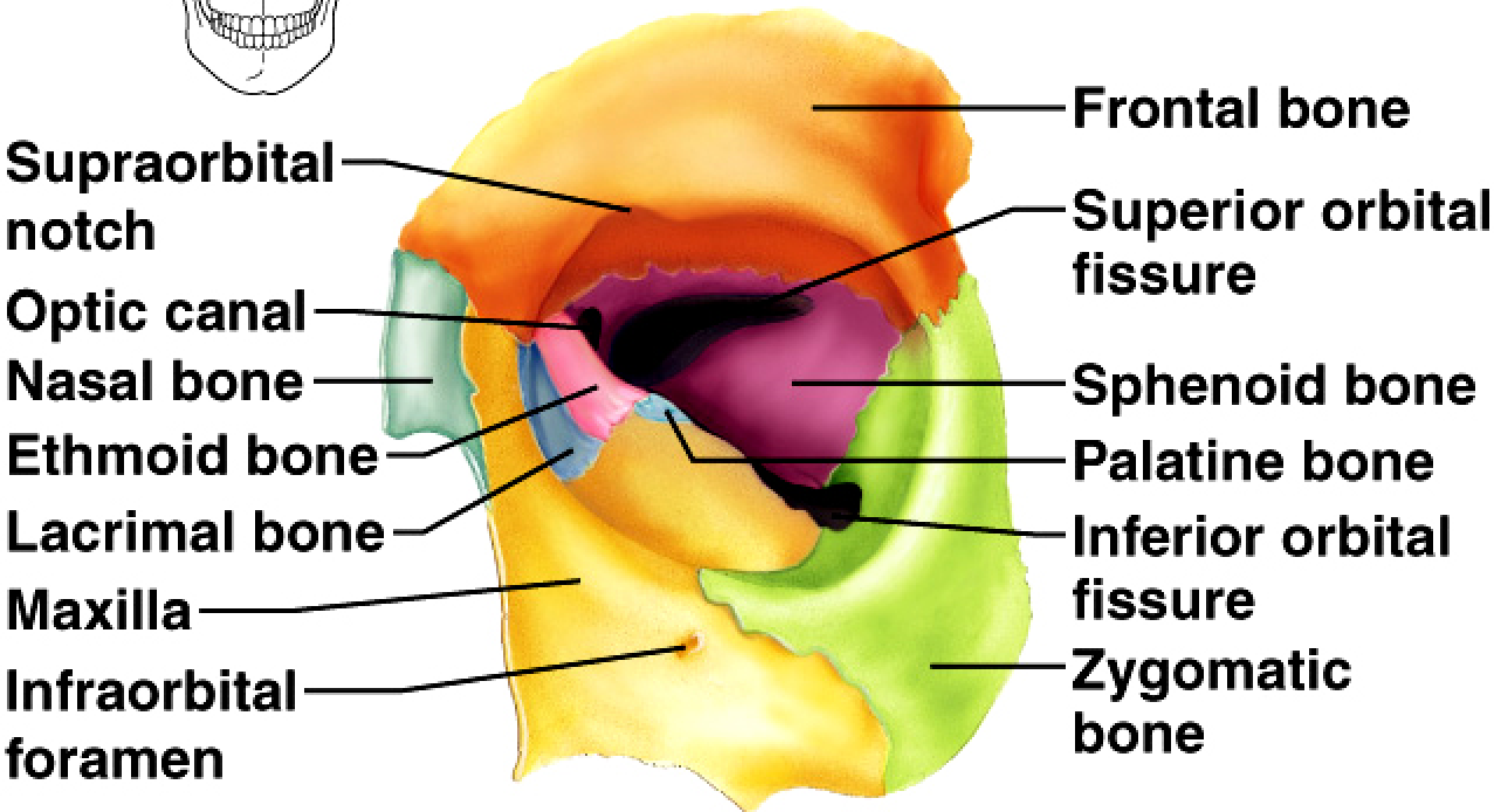
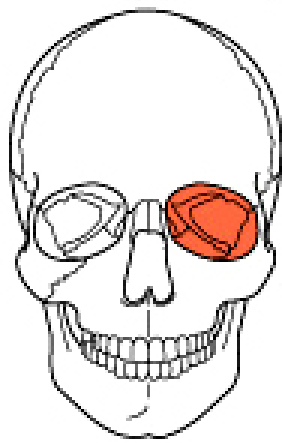
# Skull

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## Frontal (1)

- forehead
- roof of nasal cavity
- roofs of orbits
- frontal sinuses
- supraorbital foramen
- coronal suture



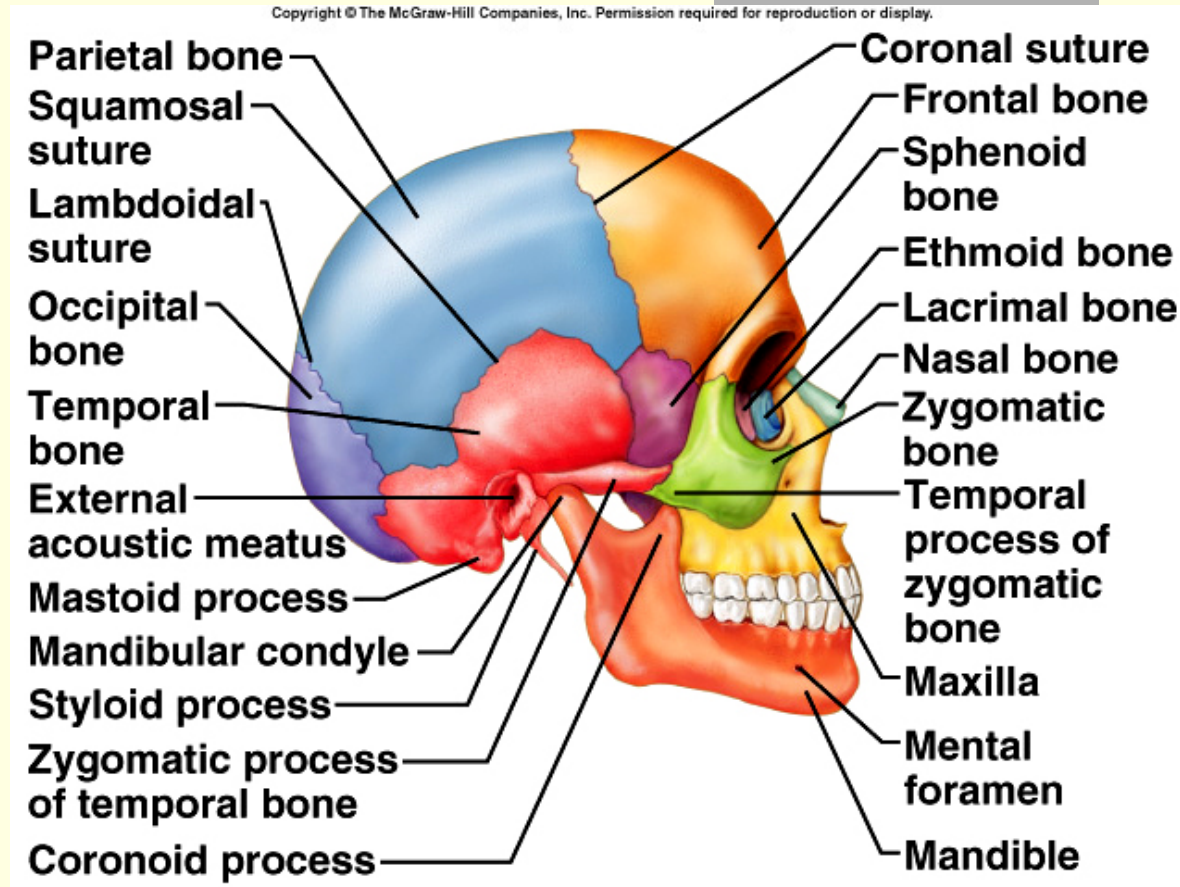




# Skull

## Temporal (2)

- wall of cranium
- floor of cranium
- floors and sides of orbits
- squamosal suture
- external acoustic meatus
- mandibular fossa
- mastoid process
- styloid process
- zygomatic process

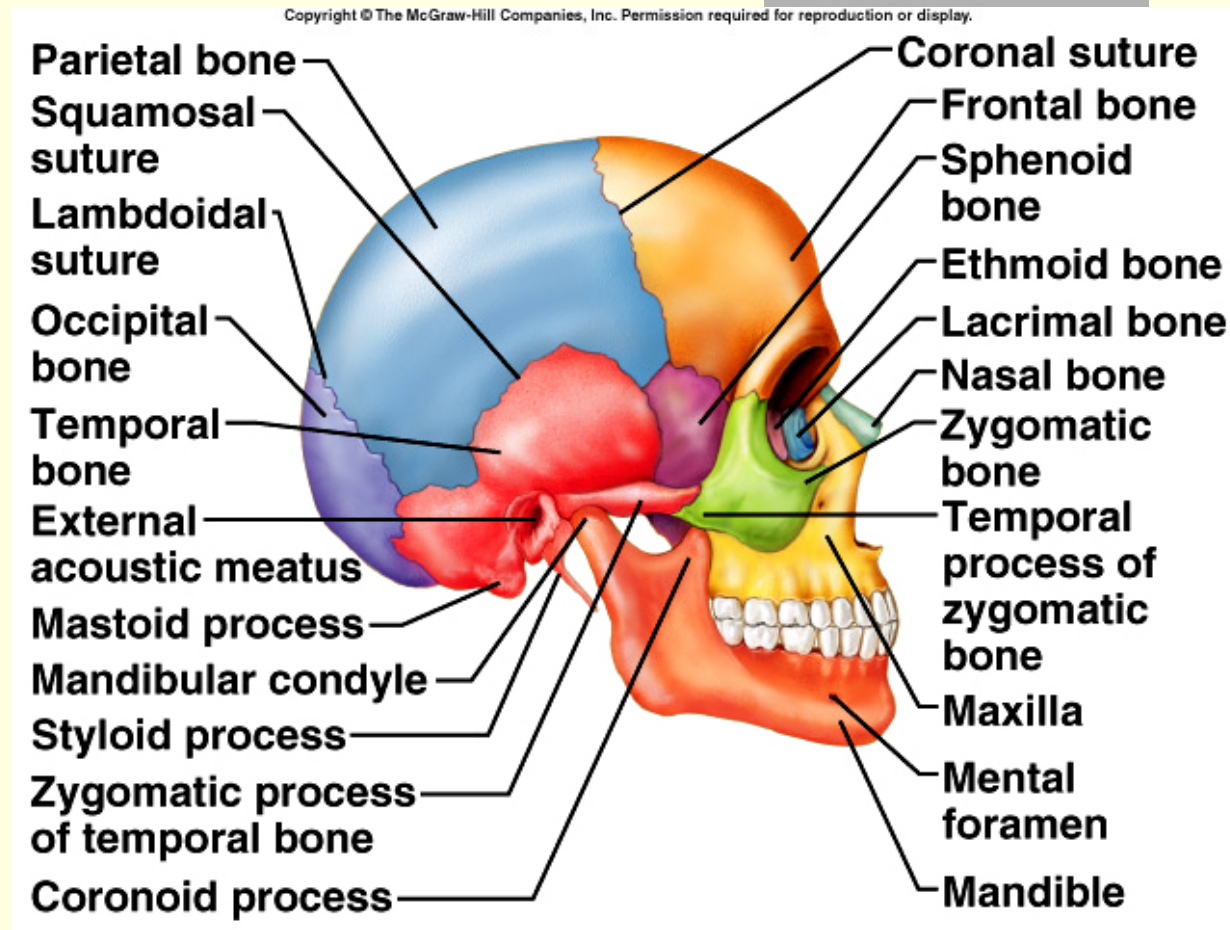




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## Parietal (2)

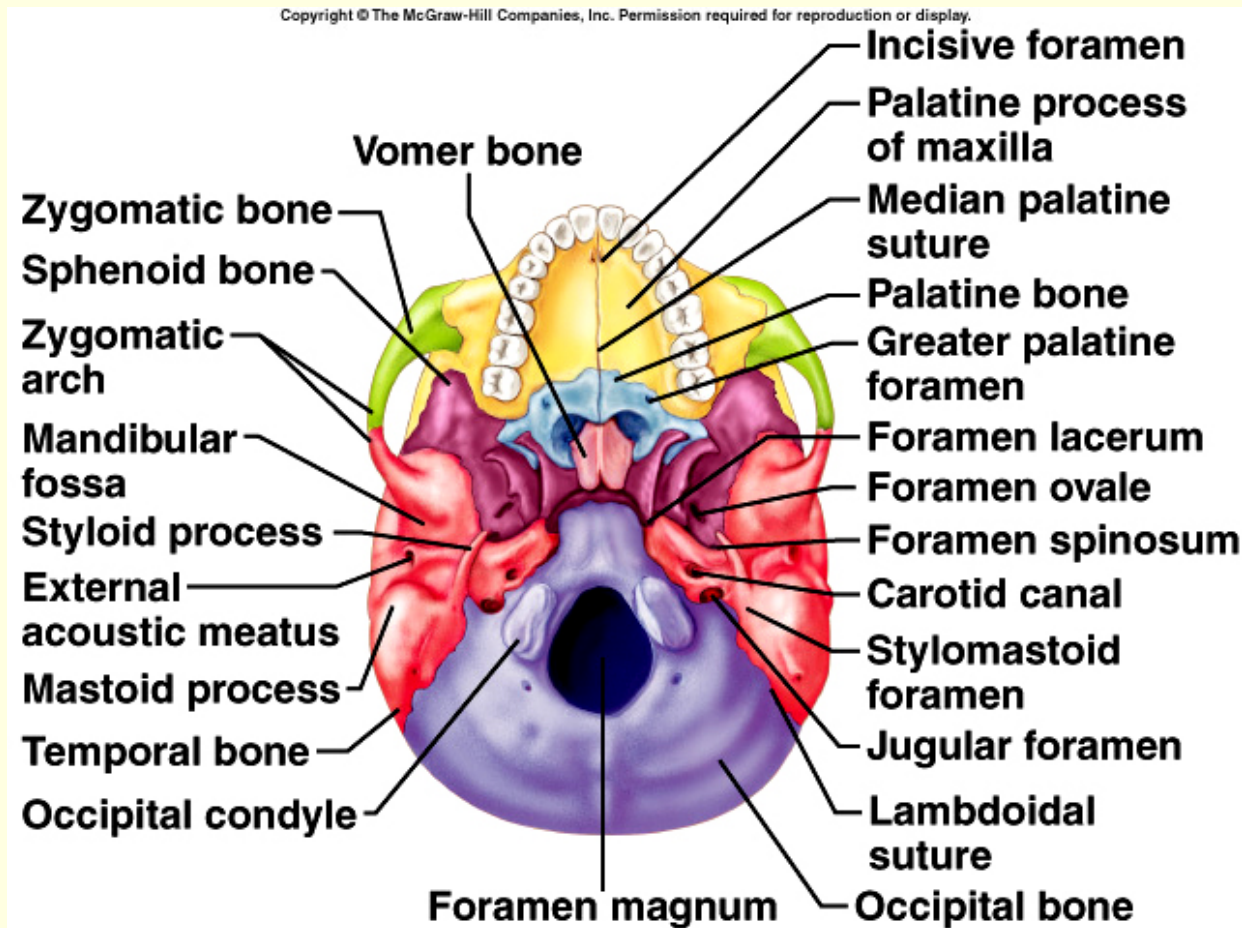
- side walls of cranium
- roof of cranium
- sagittal suture

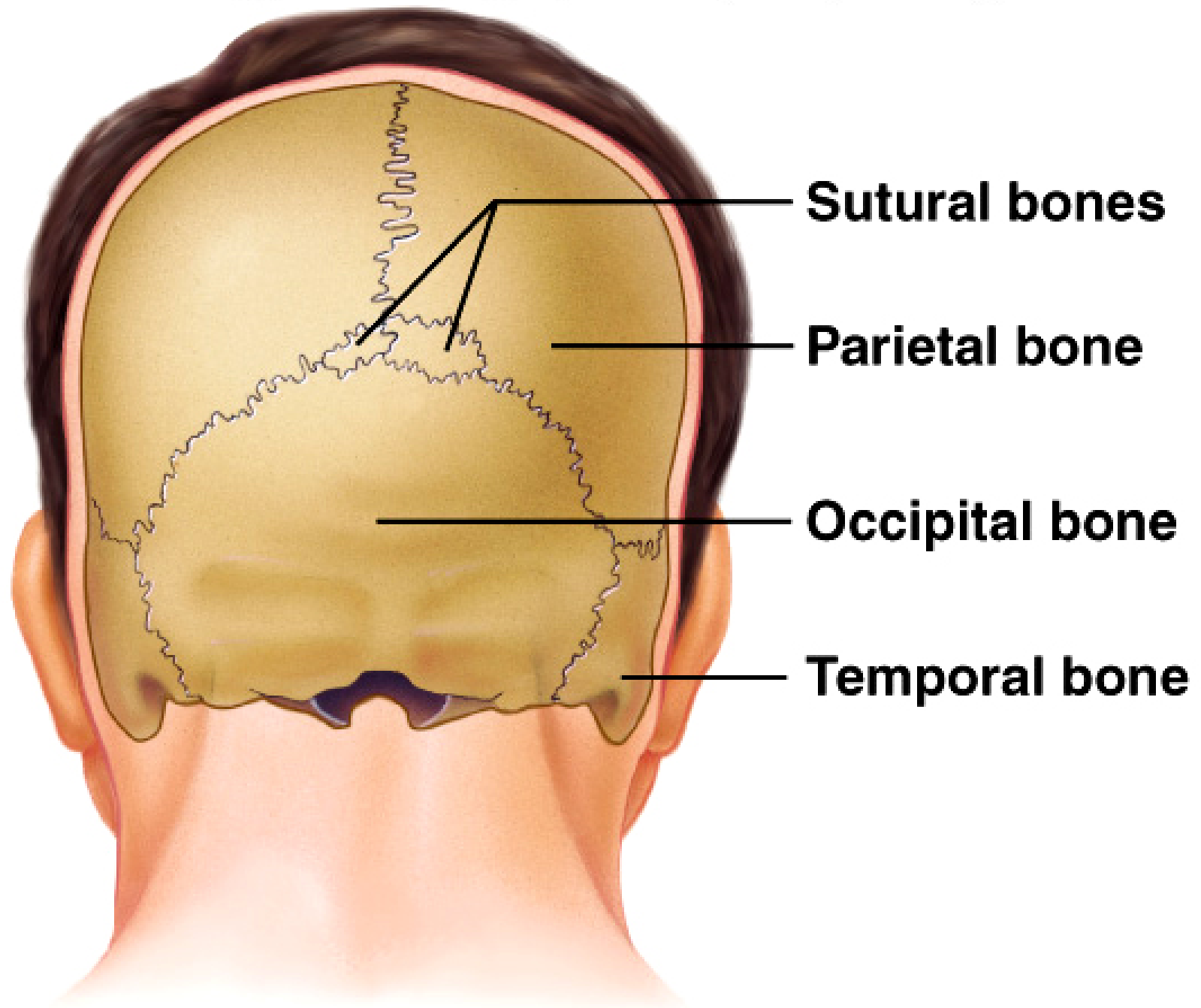


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## Occipital (1)

- back of skull
- base of cranium
- foramen magnum
- occipital condyles
- lambdoidal suture



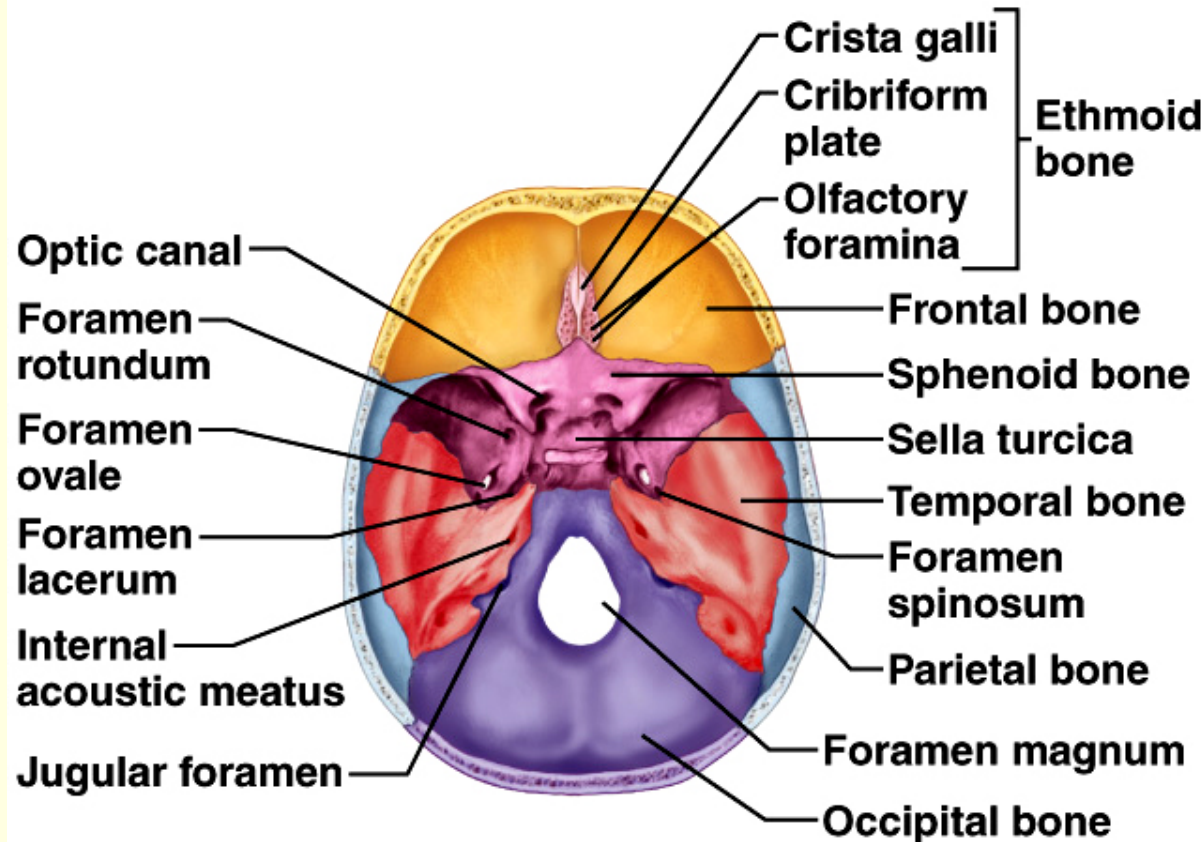


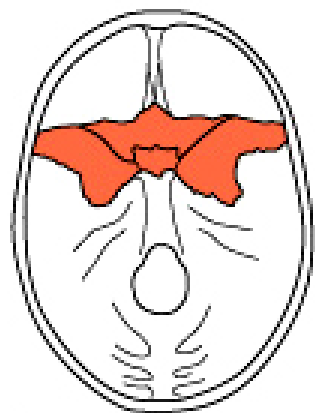
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## Sphenoid (1)

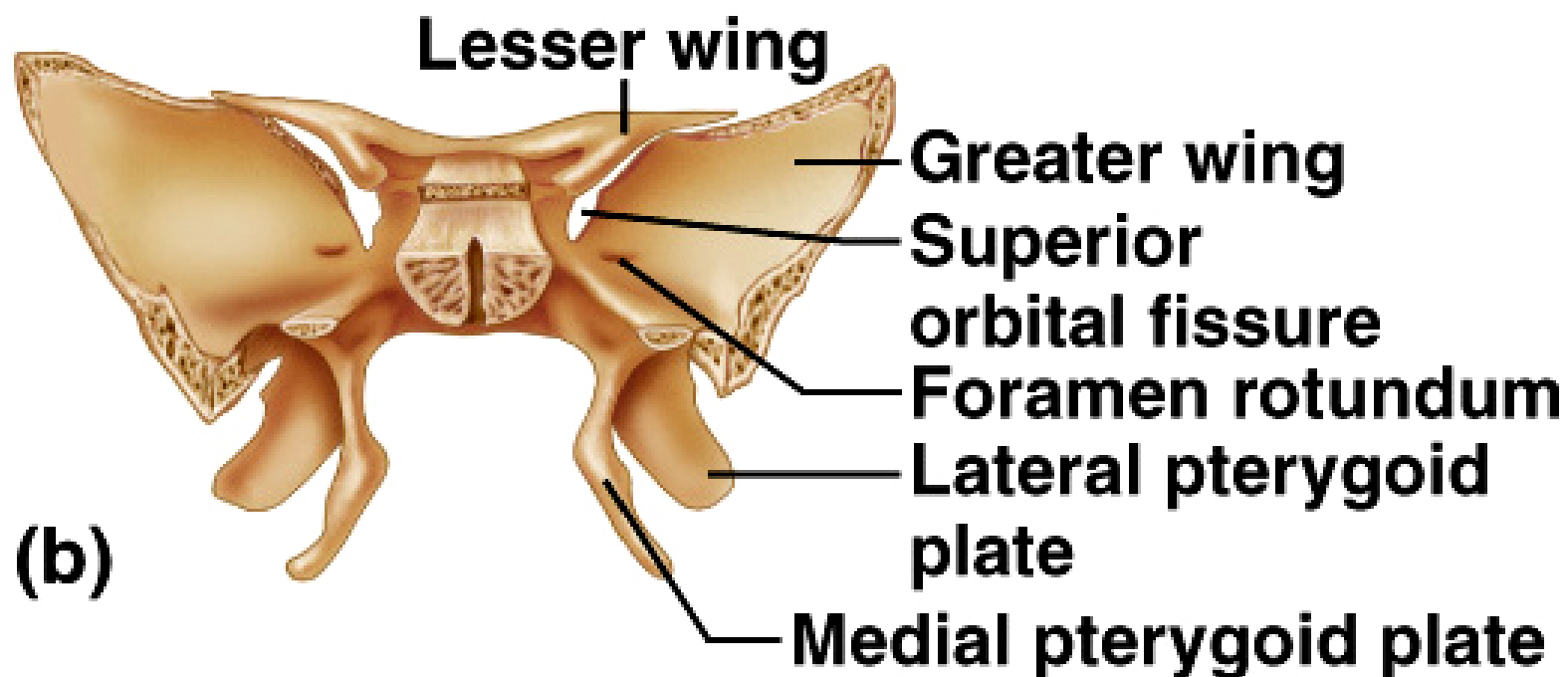
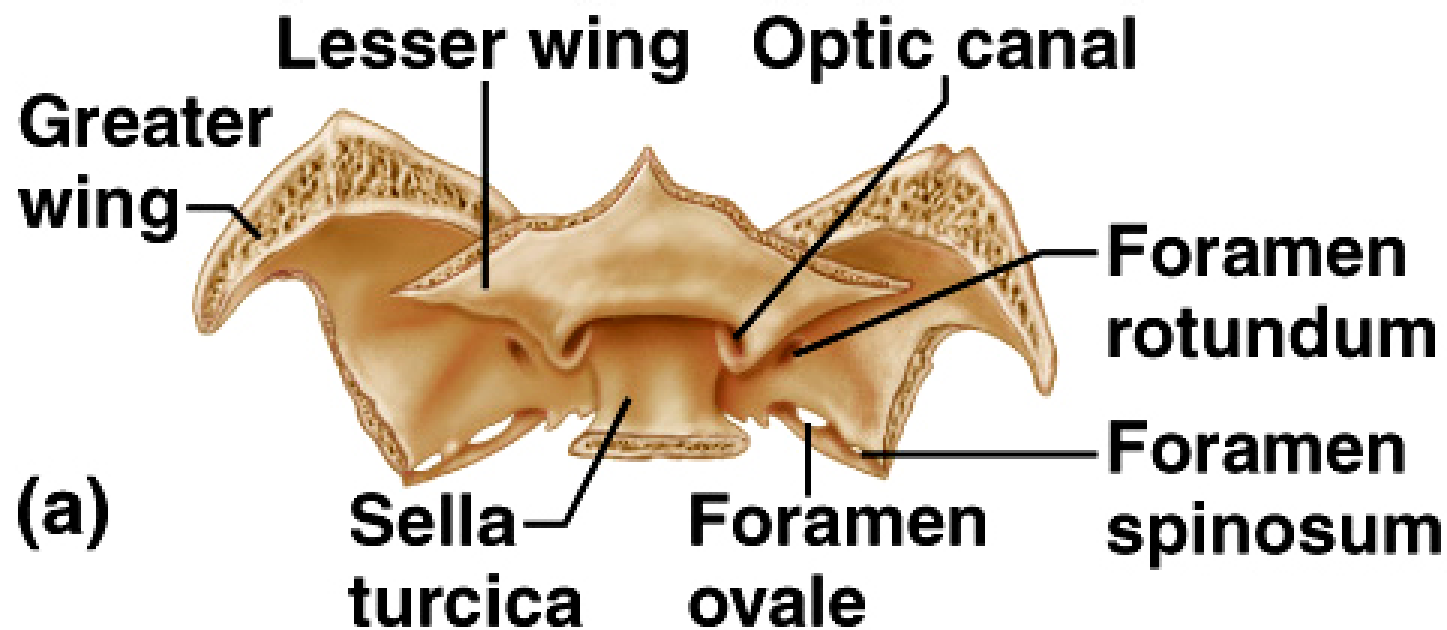
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- sides of skull
- floors and sides of orbits
- sella turcica
- sphenoidal sinuses

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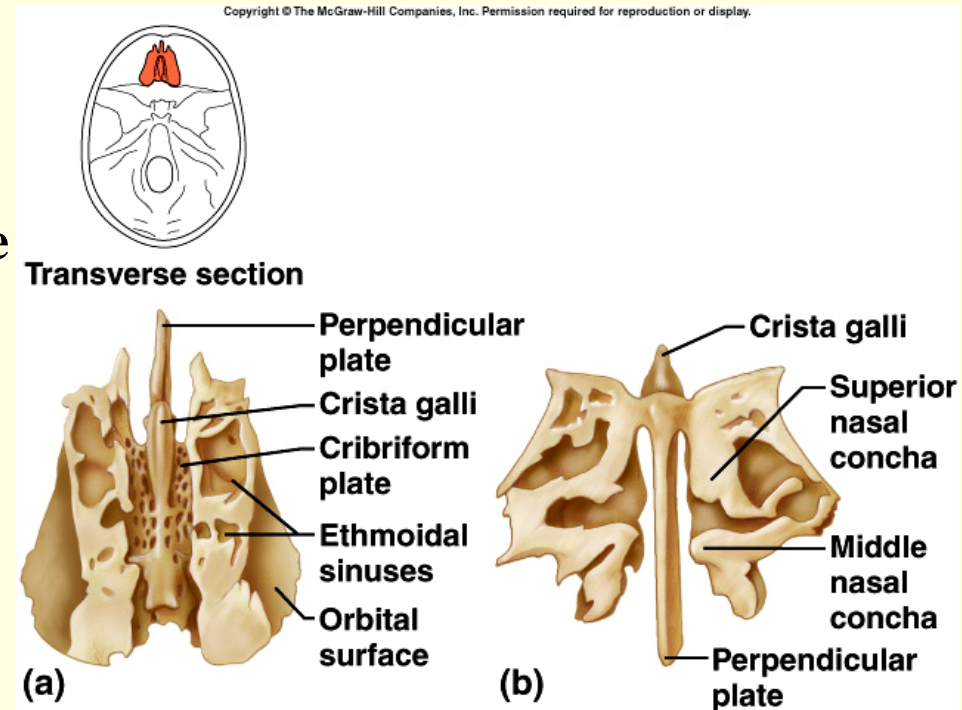
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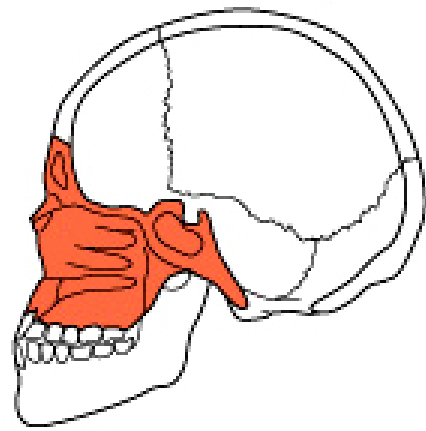
# Skull

## Ethmoid (1)

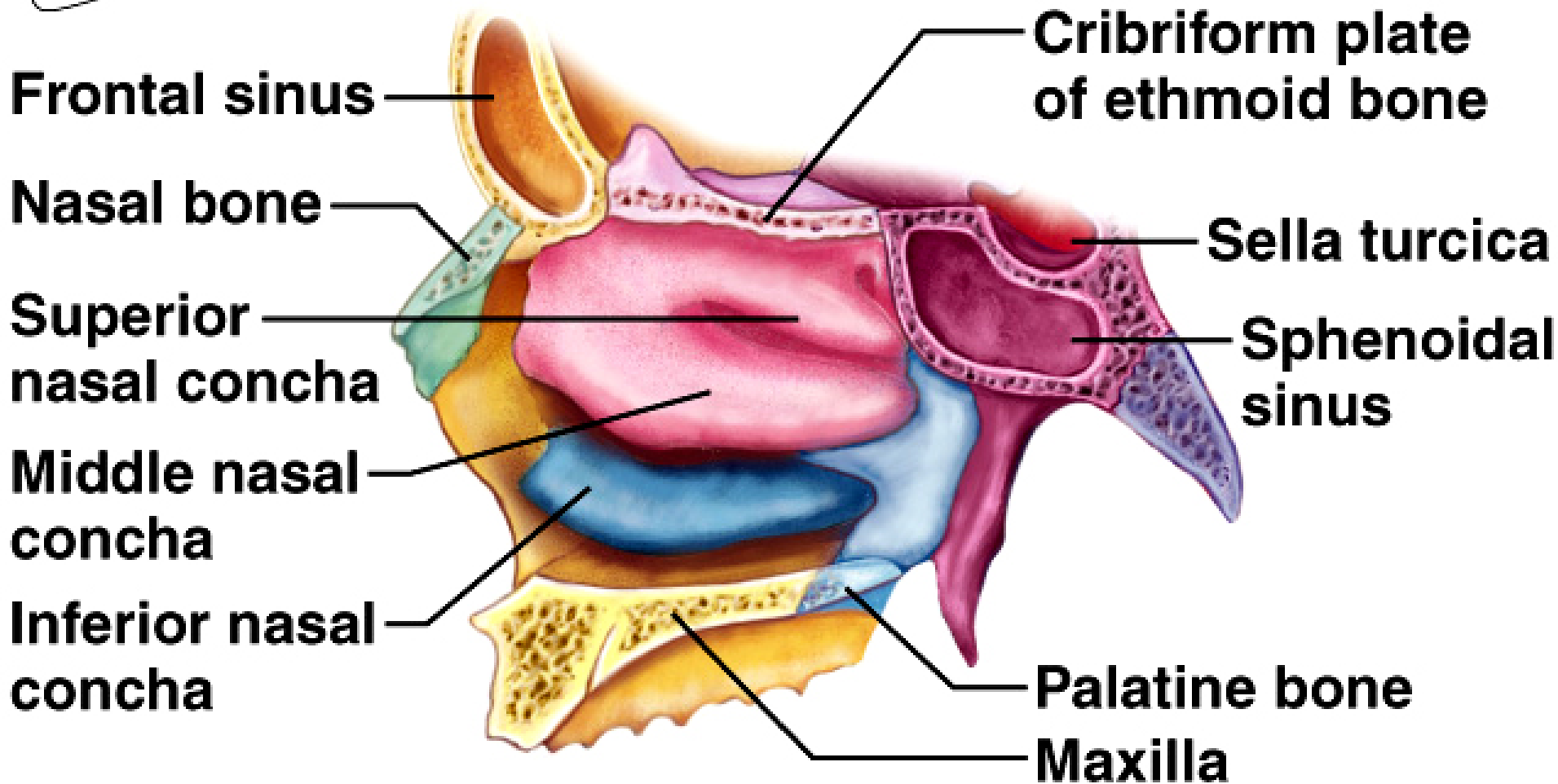
- roof and walls of nasal cavity
- floor of cranium
- wall of orbits
- cribriform plates
- perpendicular plate
- superior and middle nasal conchae
- ethmoidal sinuses
- crista galli







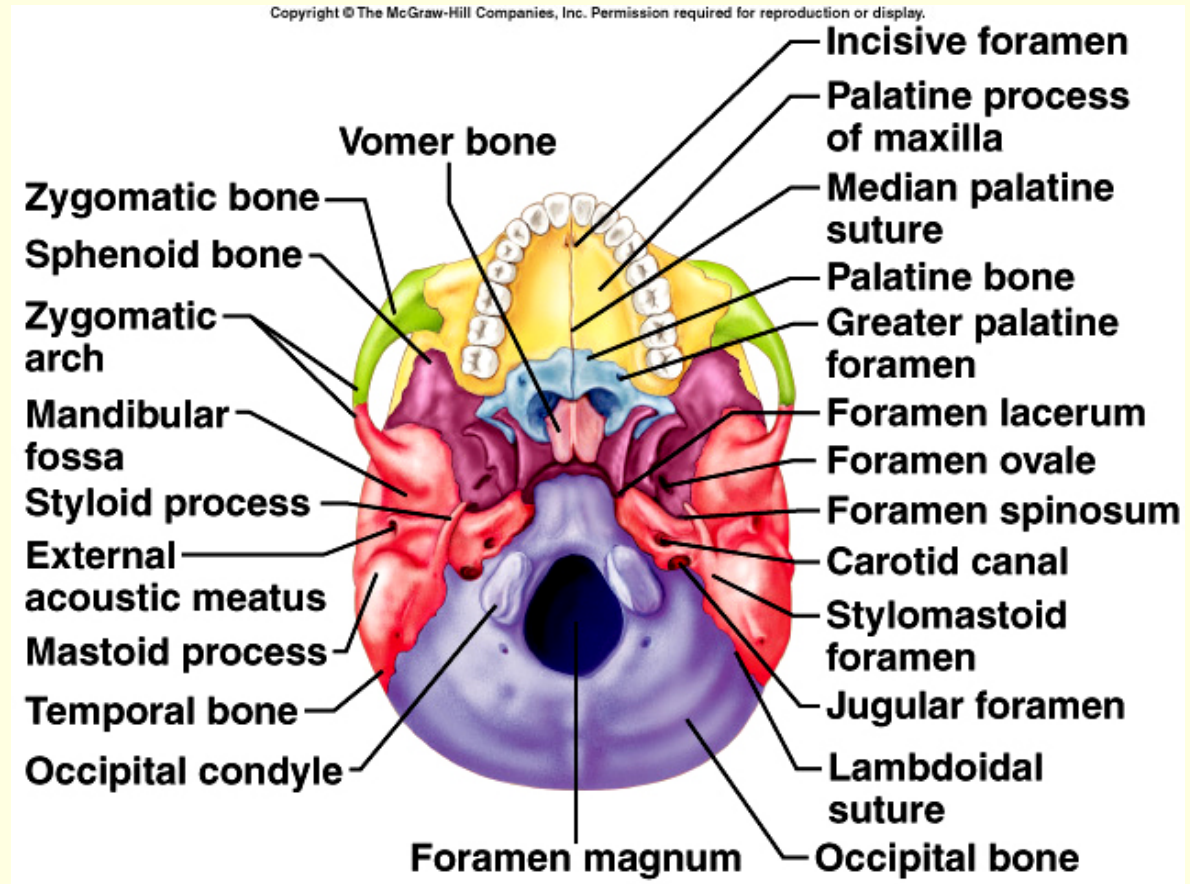
## Midsagittal section



# Facial Skeleton

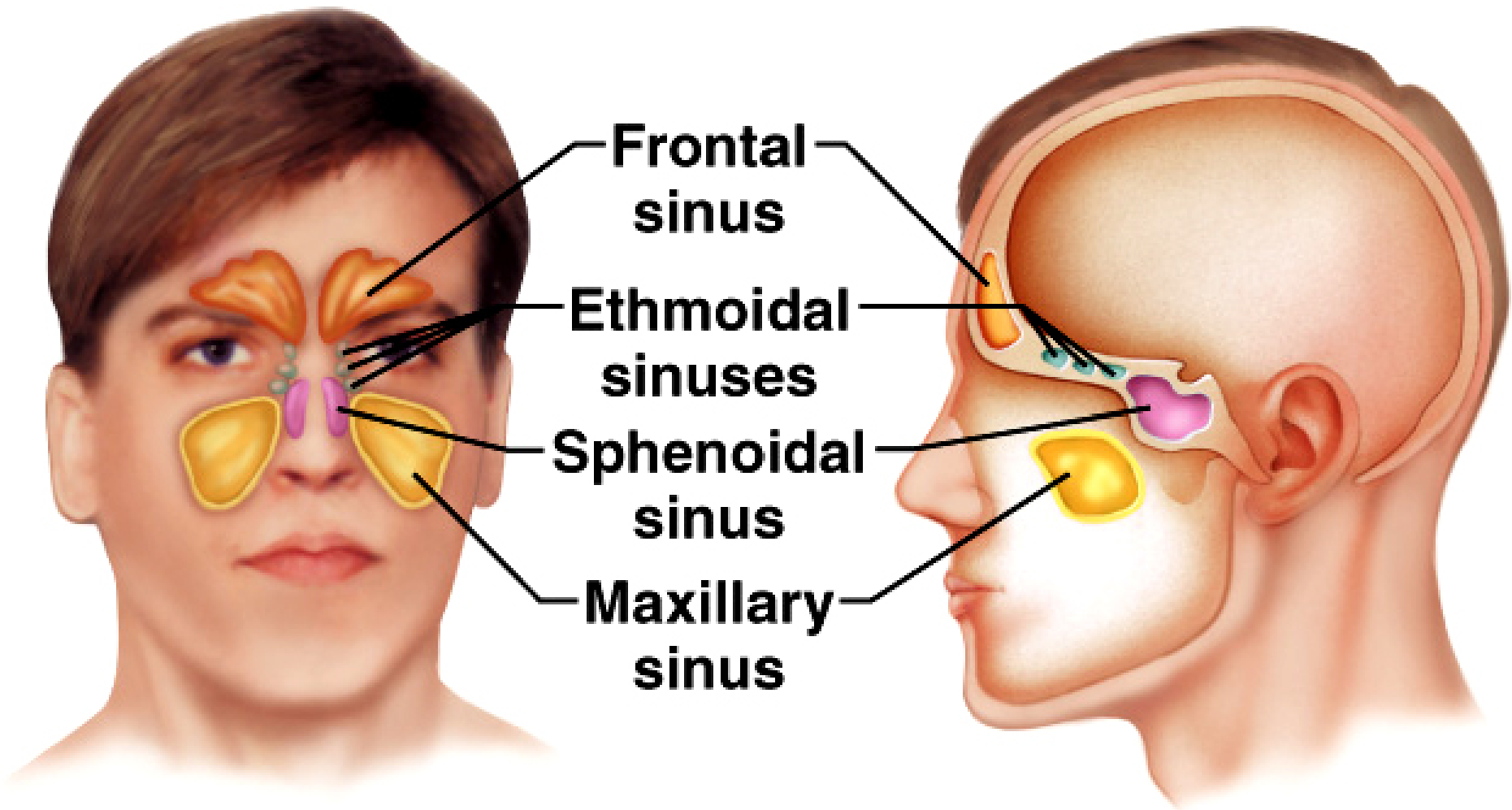
## Maxillary (2)

- upper jaw
- anterior roof of mouth
- floors of orbits
- sides of nasal cavity
- floors of nasal cavity
- alveolar processes
- maxillary sinuses
- palatine process



**TABLE 7.6****Sinuses of the Cranial  
and Facial Bones**

<b>Sinuses</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Location</b>
Frontal sinuses	2	Frontal bone above each eye and near the midline
Sphenoidal sinuses	2	Sphenoid bone above the posterior portion of the nasal cavity
Ethmoidal sinuses	2 groups of small spaces	Ethmoid bone on either side of the upper portion of the nasal cavity
Maxillary sinuses	2	Maxillary bones lateral to the nasal cavity and extending from the floor of the orbits to the roots of the upper teeth



# Bones of the Facial Skeleton

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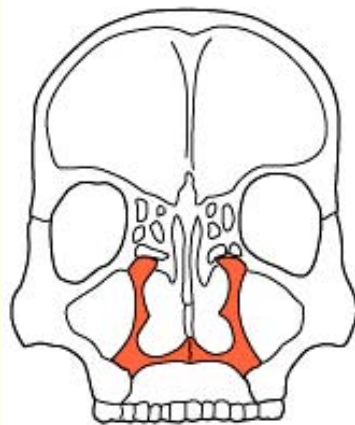
**TABLE 7.7** Bones of the Facial Skeleton

Name and Number	Description	Special Features
Maxillary (2)	Form upper jaw, anterior roof of mouth, floors of orbits, and sides and floor of nasal cavity	Alveolar processes, maxillary sinuses, palatine process
Palatine (2)	Form posterior roof of mouth, and floor and lateral walls of nasal cavity	
Zygomatic (2)	Form prominences of cheeks, and lateral walls and floors of orbits	Temporal process
Lacrimal (2)	Form part of medial walls of orbits	Groove that leads from orbit to nasal cavity
Nasal (2)	Form bridge of nose	
Vomer (1)	Forms inferior portion of nasal septum	
Inferior nasal conchae (2)	Extend into nasal cavity from its lateral walls	
Mandible (1)	Forms lower jaw	Body, ramus, mandibular condyle, coronoid process, alveolar process, mandibular foramen, mental foramen

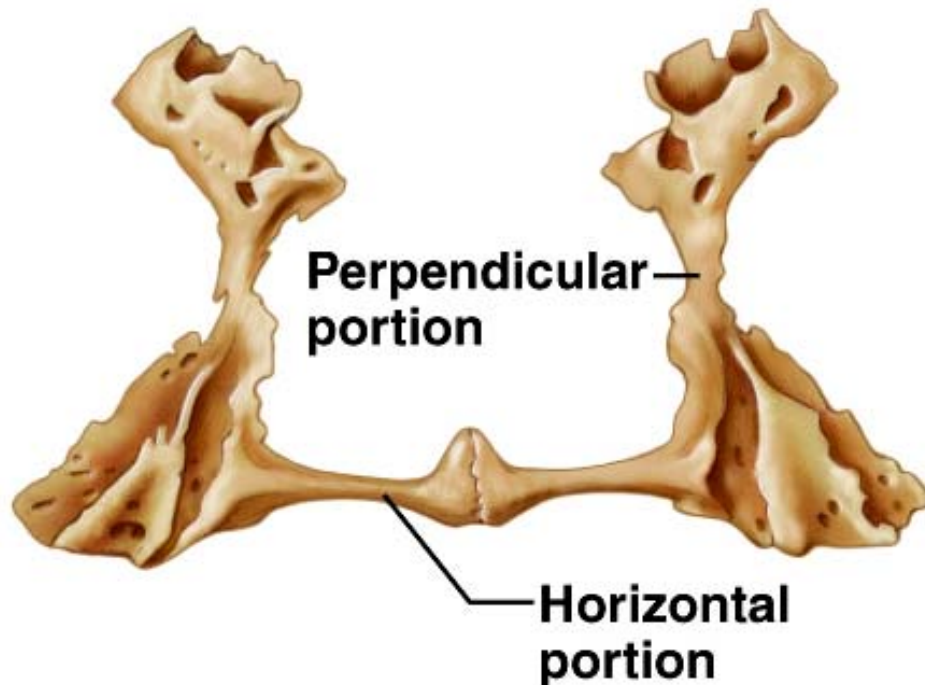
# Facial Skeleton

## Palatine (2)

- posterior roof of mouth
- floor of nasal cavity
- lateral walls of nasal cavity



**Coronal  
section**

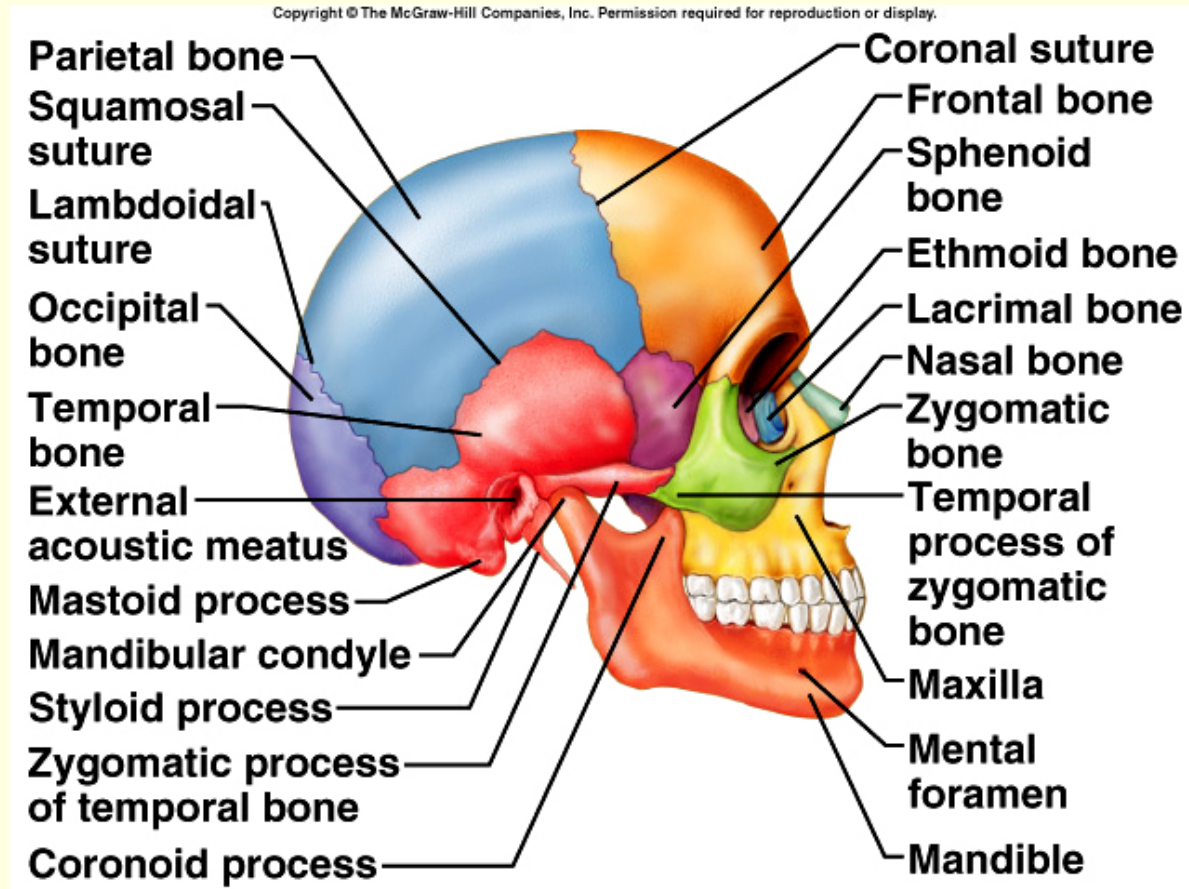




# Facial Skeleton

## Zygomatic (2)

- prominences of cheeks
- lateral walls of orbits
- floors of orbits
- temporal process



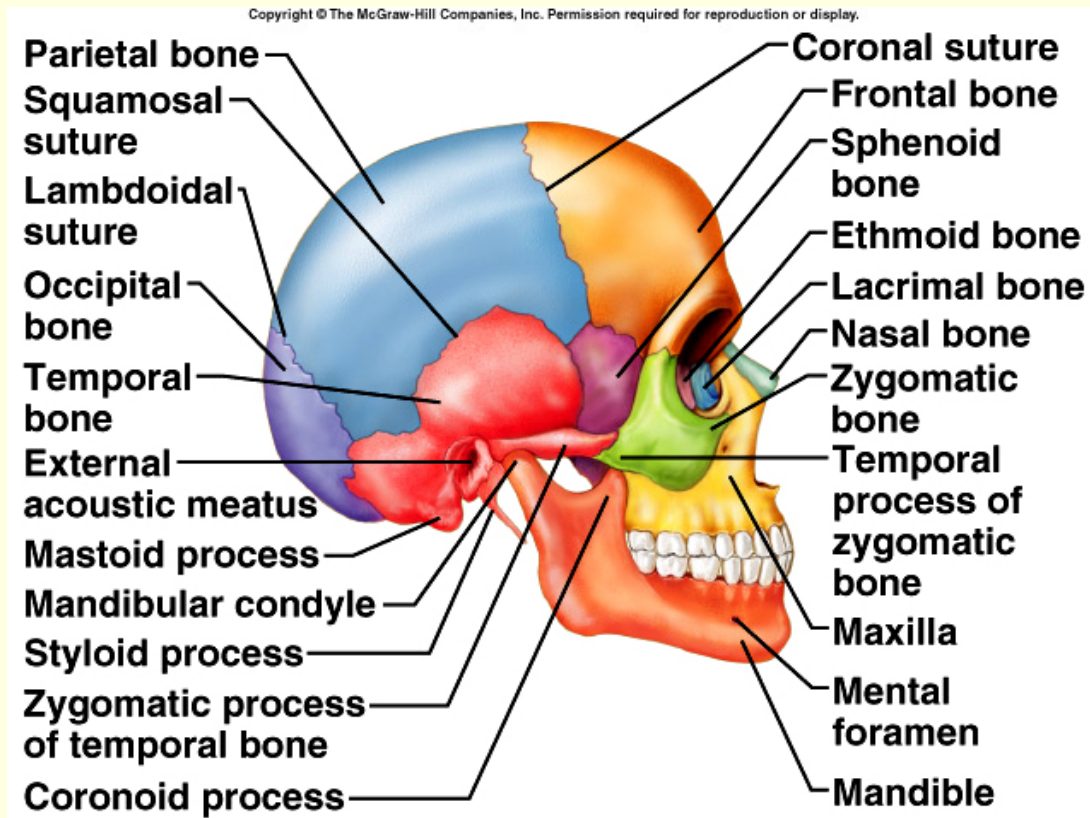
# Facial Skeleton

## Lacrimal (2)

- medial walls of orbits
- groove from orbit to nasal cavity

## Nasal (2)

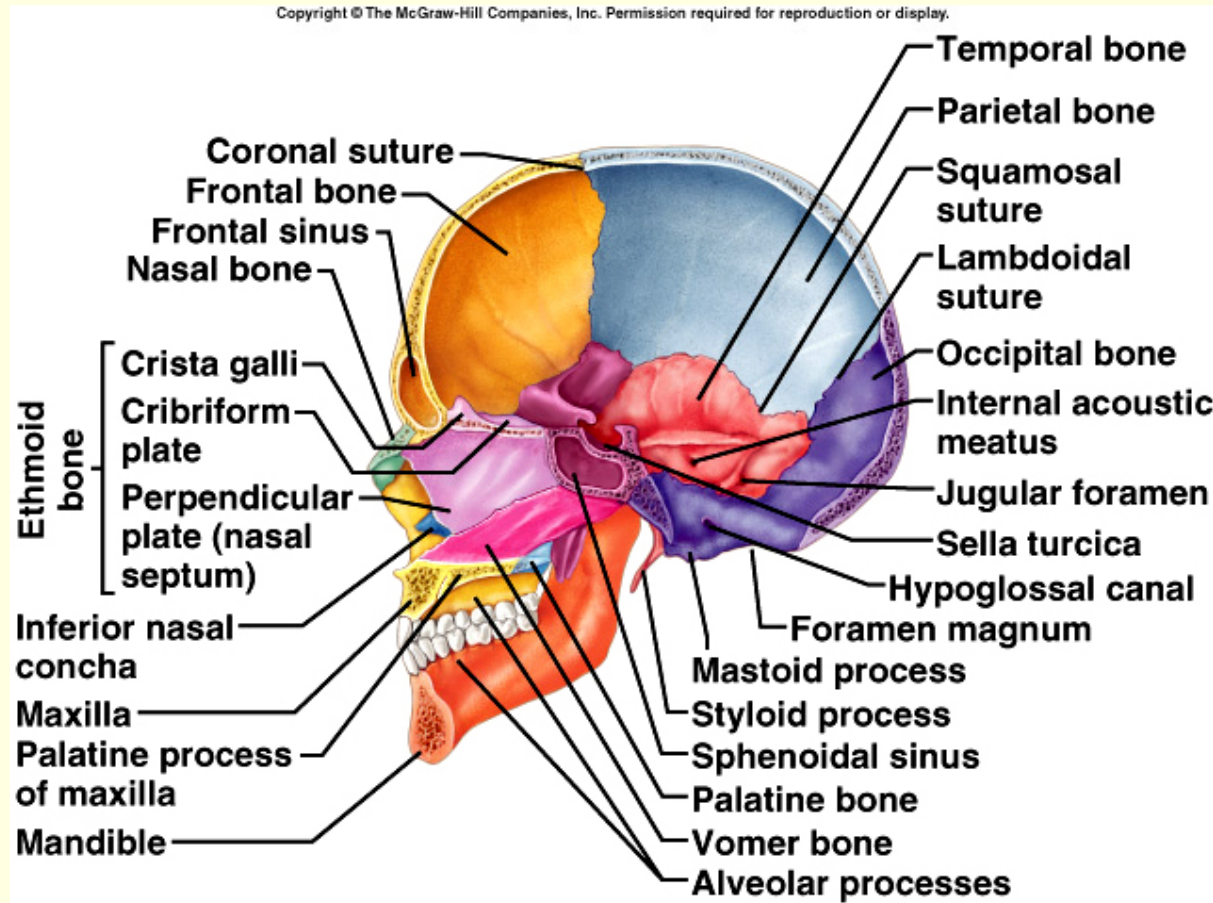
- bridge of nose

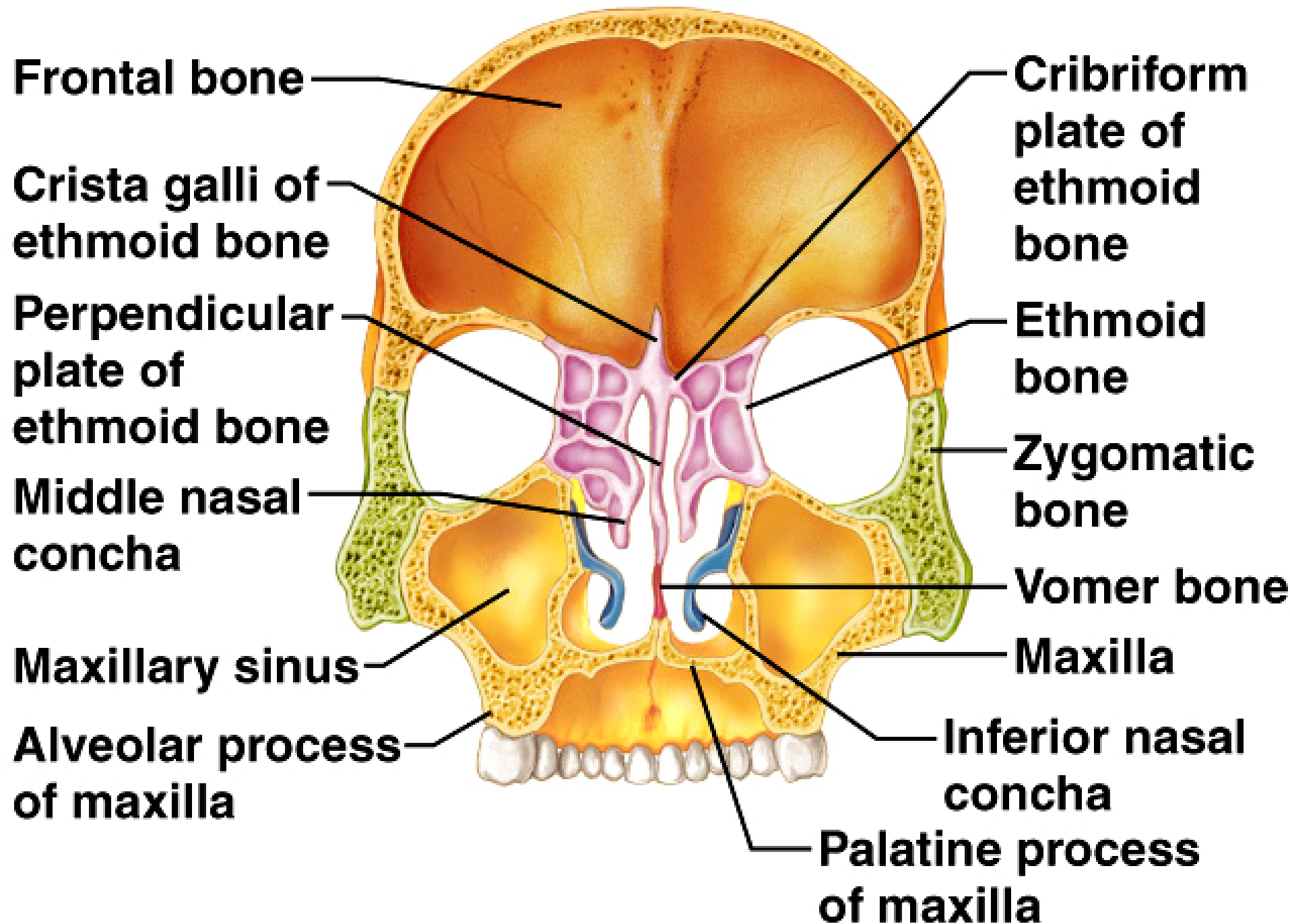


# Facial Skeleton

## Vomer (1)

- inferior portion of nasal septum

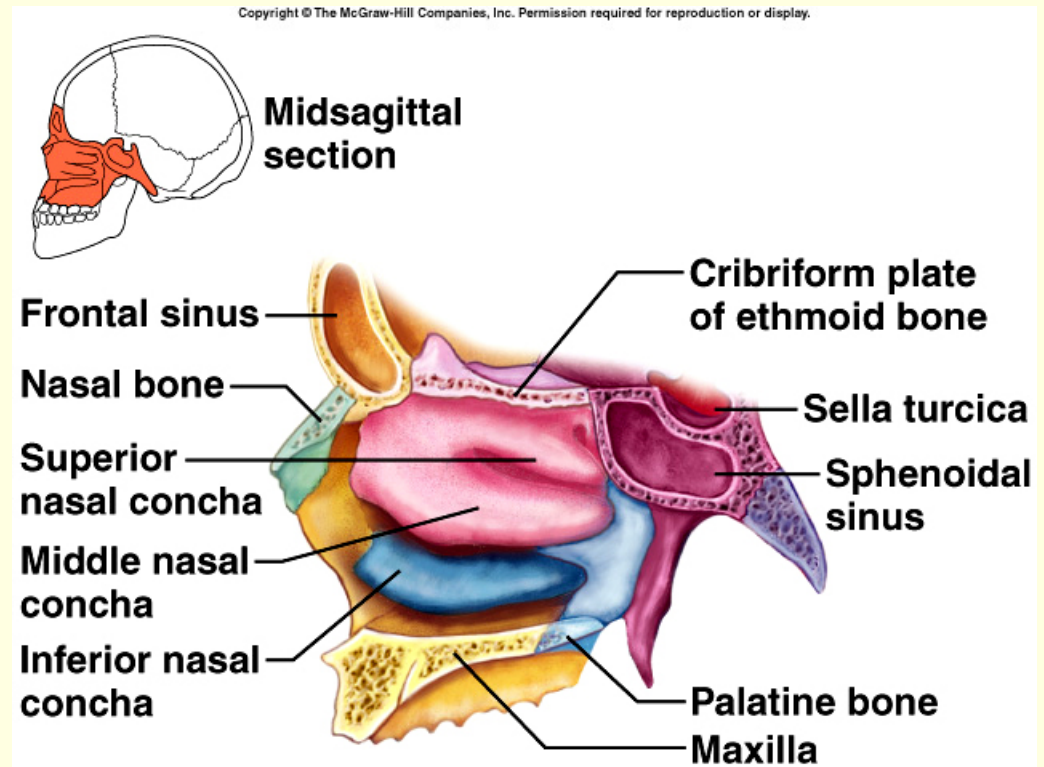




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## Inferior Nasal Conchae (2)

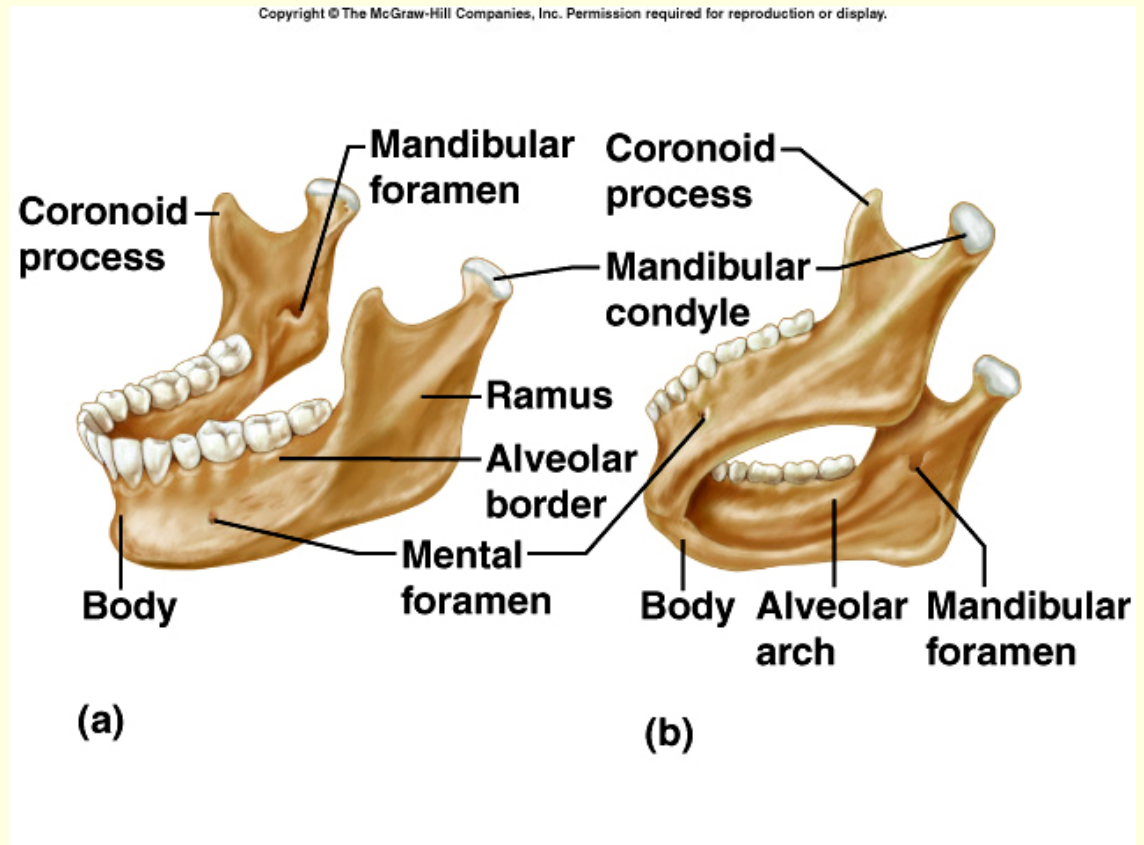
- extend from lateral walls of nasal cavity



# Facial Skeleton

## Mandible (1)

- lower jaw
- body
- ramus
- mandibular condyle
- coronoid process
- alveolar process
- mandibular foramen
- mental foramen



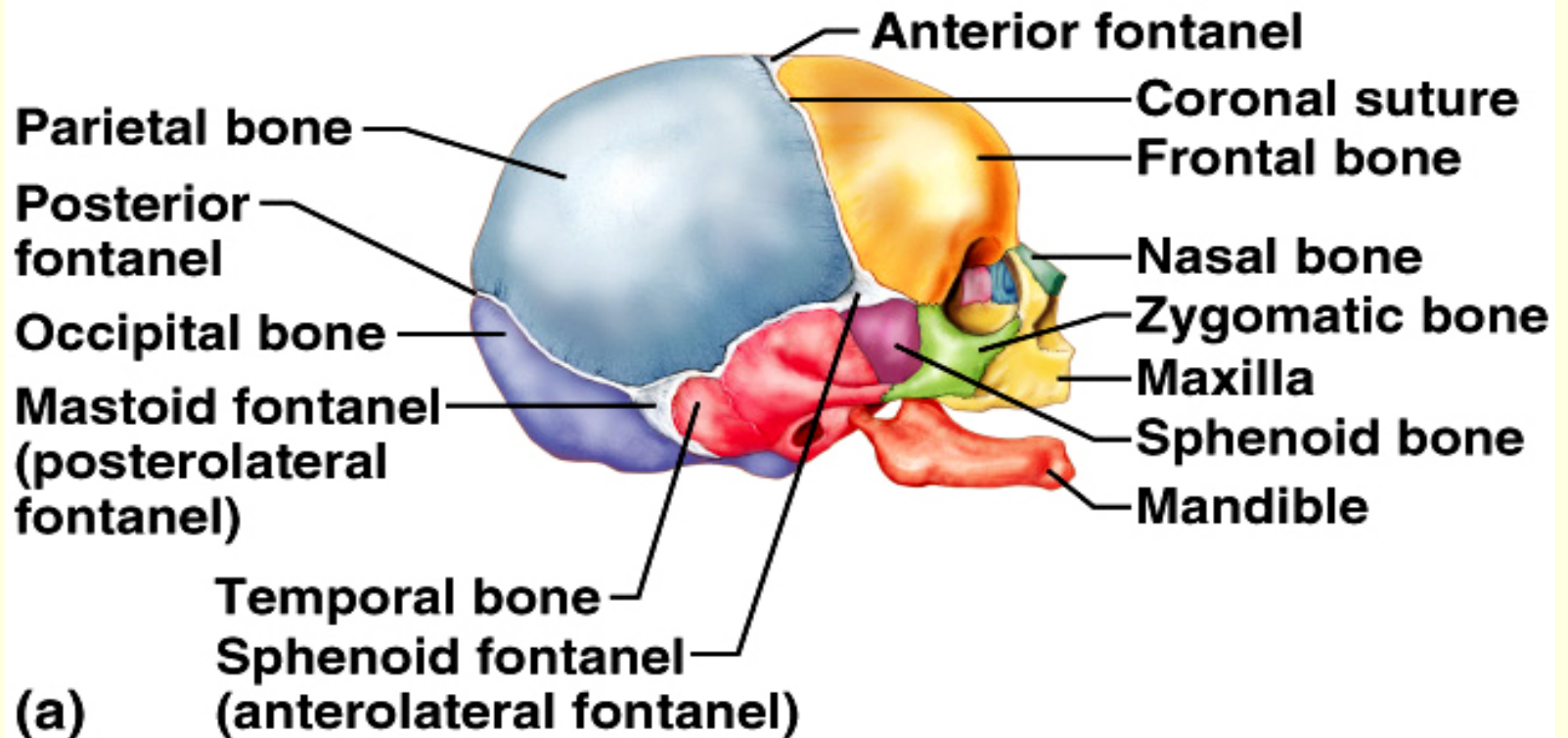


**TABLE 7.8** Passageways Through Bones of the Skull

Passageway	Location	Major Structures Transmitted
Carotid canal (fig. 7.22)	Inferior surface of the temporal bone	Internal carotid artery, veins, and nerves
Foramen lacerum (fig. 7.22)	Floor of cranial cavity between temporal and sphenoid bones	Branch of pharyngeal artery (in life, opening is largely covered by fibrocartilage)
Foramen magnum (fig. 7.26)	Base of skull in occipital bone	Nerve fibers passing between the brain and spinal cord as it exits from the base of the brain, also certain arteries
Foramen ovale (fig. 7.22)	Floor of cranial cavity in sphenoid bone	Mandibular division of trigeminal nerve and veins
Foramen rotundum (fig. 7.26)	Floor of cranial cavity in sphenoid bone	Maxillary division of trigeminal nerve
Foramen spinosum (fig. 7.26)	Floor of cranial cavity in sphenoid bone	Middle meningeal blood vessels and branch of mandibular nerve
Greater palatine foramen (fig. 7.22)	Posterior portion of hard palate in palatine bone	Palatine blood vessels and nerves
Hypoglossal canal (fig. 7.29)	Near margin of foramen magnum in occipital bone	Hypoglossal nerve
Incisive foramen (fig. 7.22)	Incisive fossa in anterior portion of hard palate	Nasopalatine nerves, openings of vomeronasal organ
Inferior orbital fissure (fig. 7.20)	Floor of the orbit	Maxillary nerve and blood vessels
Infraorbital foramen (fig. 7.20)	Below the orbit in maxillary bone	Infraorbital blood vessels and nerves
Internal acoustic meatus (fig. 7.26)	Floor of cranial cavity in temporal bone	Branches of facial and vestibulocochlear nerves, and blood vessels
Jugular foramen (fig. 7.26)	Base of the skull between temporal and occipital bones	Glossopharyngeal, vagus and accessory nerves, and blood vessels
Mandibular foramen (fig. 7.31)	Inner surface of ramus of mandible	Inferior alveolar blood vessels and nerves
Mental foramen (fig. 7.31)	Near point of jaw in mandible	Mental nerve and blood vessels
Optic canal (fig. 7.20)	Posterior portion of orbit in sphenoid bone	Optic nerve and ophthalmic artery
Stylomastoid foramen (fig. 7.22)	Between styloid and mastoid processes	Facial nerve and blood vessels
Superior orbital fissure (fig. 7.20)	Lateral wall of orbit	Oculomotor, trochlear, and abducens nerves, and ophthalmic division of trigeminal nerve
Supraorbital foramen (fig. 7.19)	Upper margin of orbit in frontal bone	Supraorbital blood vessels and nerves

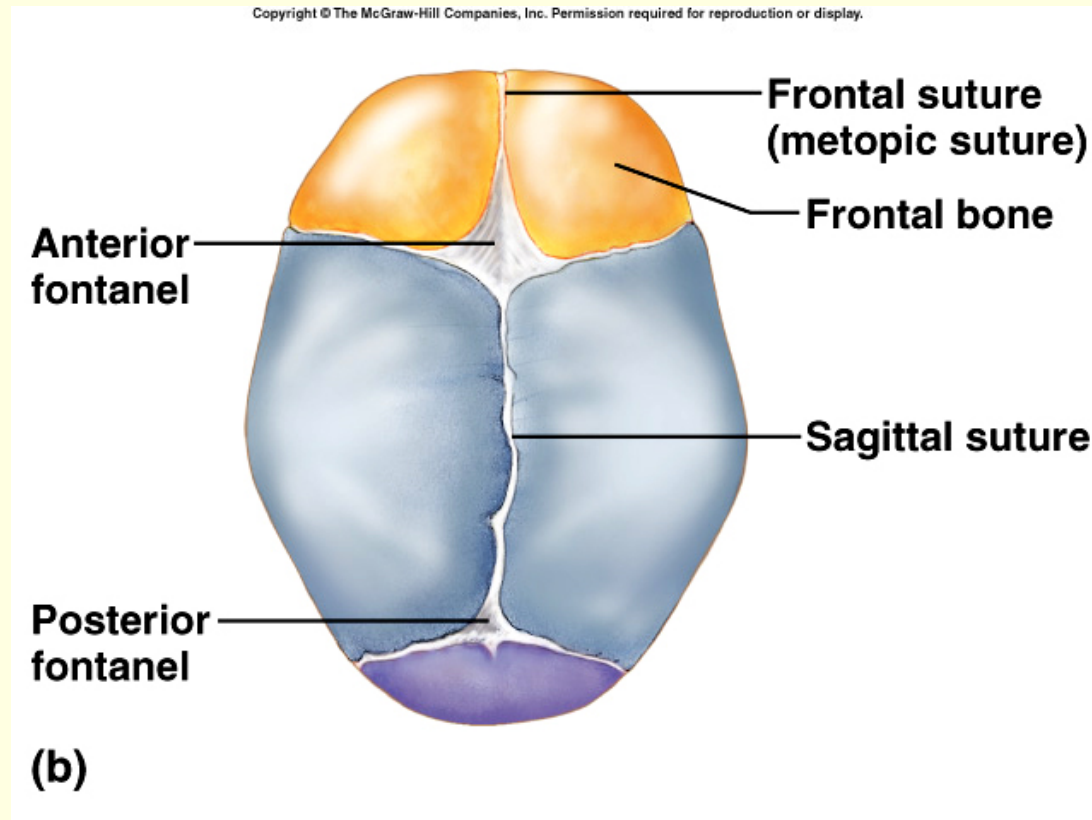
# Infantile Skull

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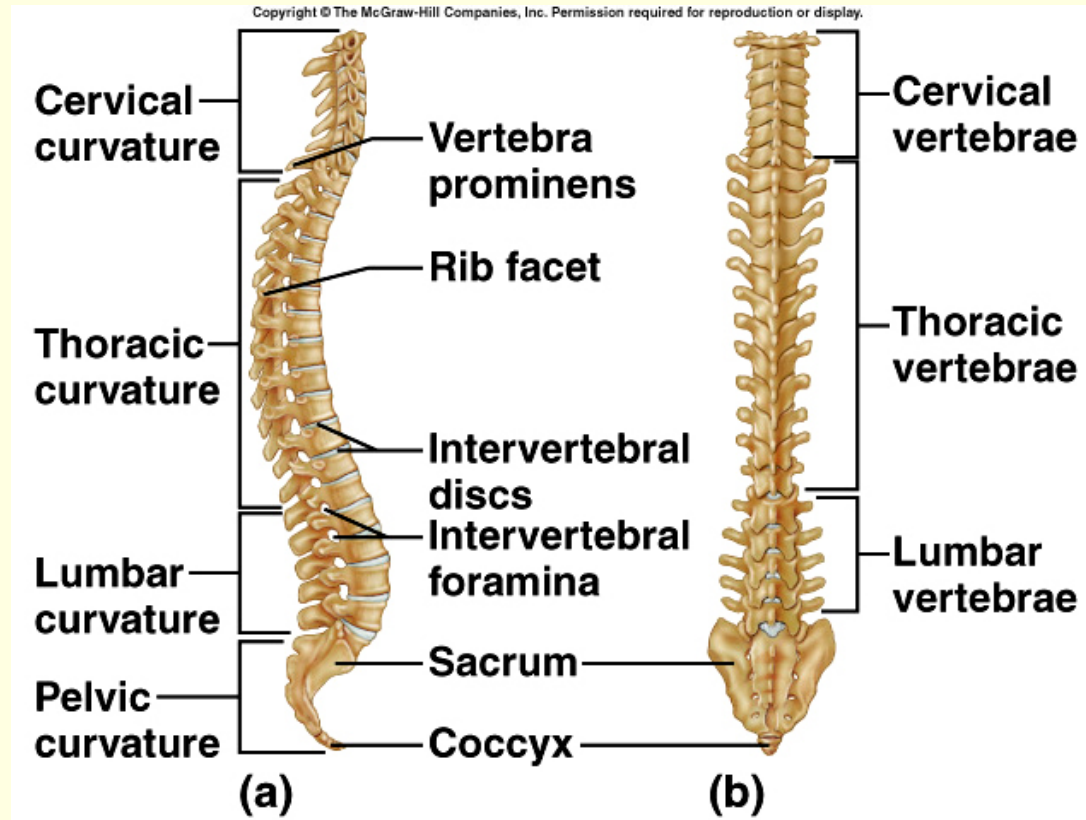
# Infantile Skull

**Fontanel** – fibrous membranes



# Vertebral Column: Parts

- **cervical vertebrae (7)**
- **thoracic vertebrae (12)**
- **lumbar vertebrae (5)**
- **sacrum**
- **coccyx**



# Vertebral Column: Features

- cervical curvature
- thoracic curvature
- lumbar curvature
- pelvic curvature
- rib facets
- vertebra prominens
- intervertebral discs
- intervertebral foramina

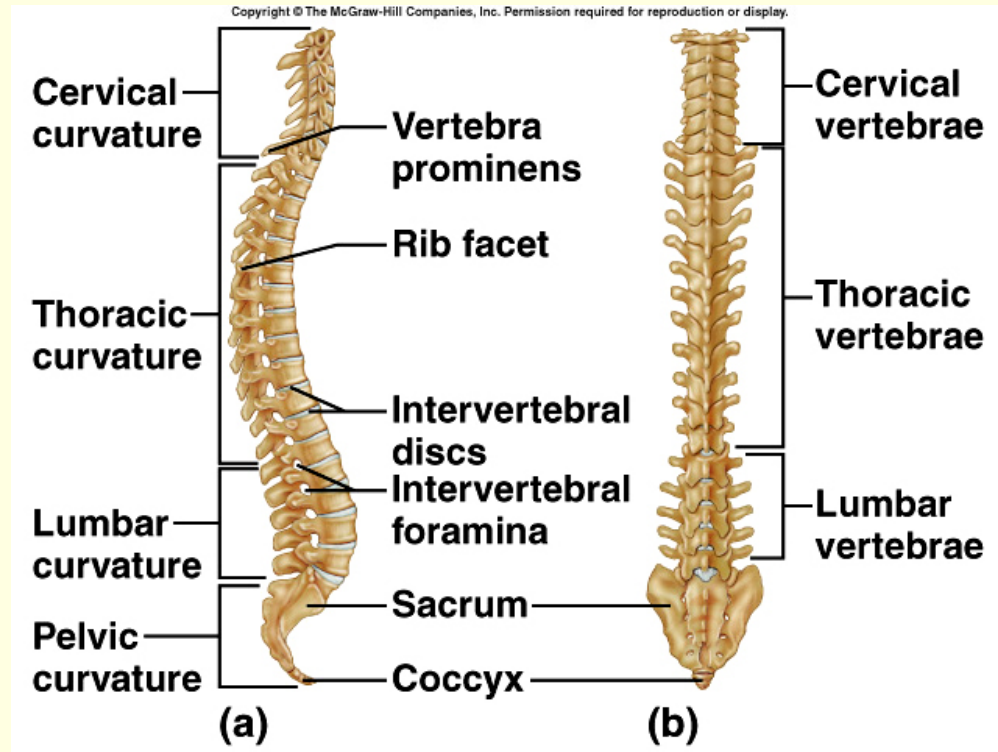




TABLE 7.9 Bones of the Vertebral Column					
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Thoracic vertebrae	12	Pointed spinous processes that slope downward; facets that articulate with ribs	Sacrum	5 vertebrae fused into 1 bone	Dorsal sacral foramina, auricular surfaces, sacral promontory, sacral canal, sacral hiatus, anterior sacral foramina
			Coccyx	4 vertebrae fused into 1 bone	Attached by ligaments to the margins of the sacral hiatus

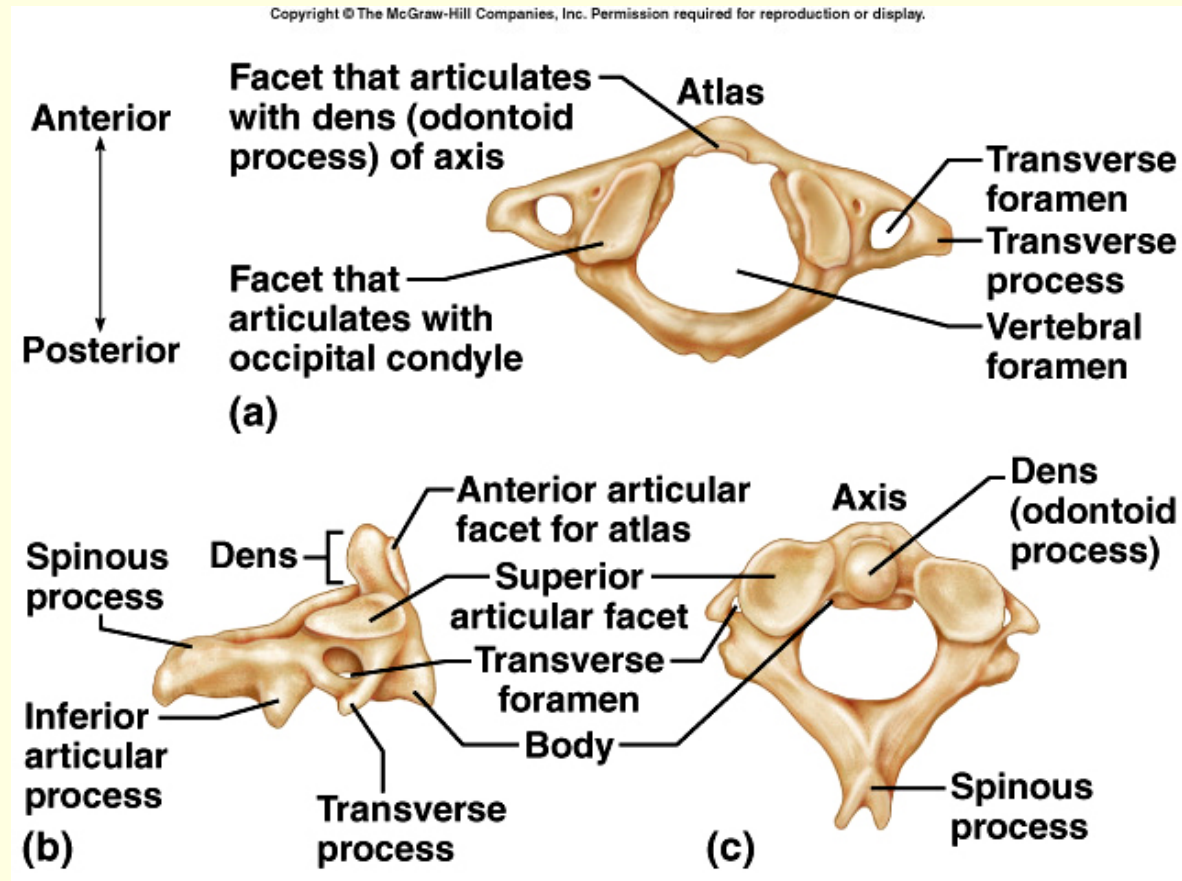


# Cervical Vertebrae

- **Atlas** – 1<sup>st</sup>; supports head
- **Axis** – 2<sup>nd</sup>; dens pivots to turn head
- transverse foramina
- bifid spinous processes
- vertebral prominens – useful landmark



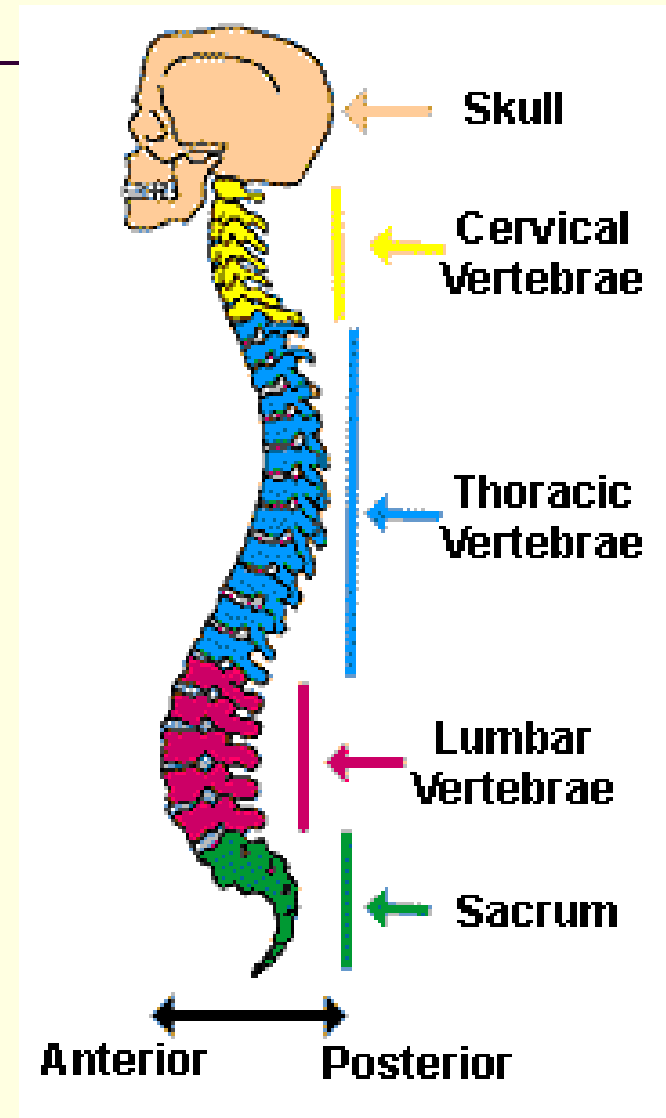
In Greek Mythology, the Titan, Atlas, was punished by Zeus to stand at the edge of the world & hold up the heavens on his shoulders.



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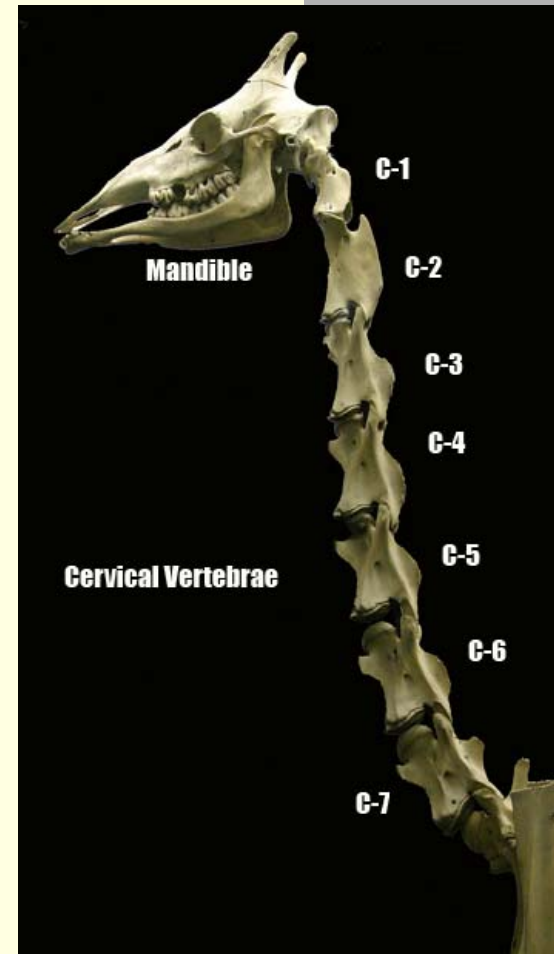
# Human Vertebral Column





# Comparison of Cervical Vertebrae of Humans with Giraffes

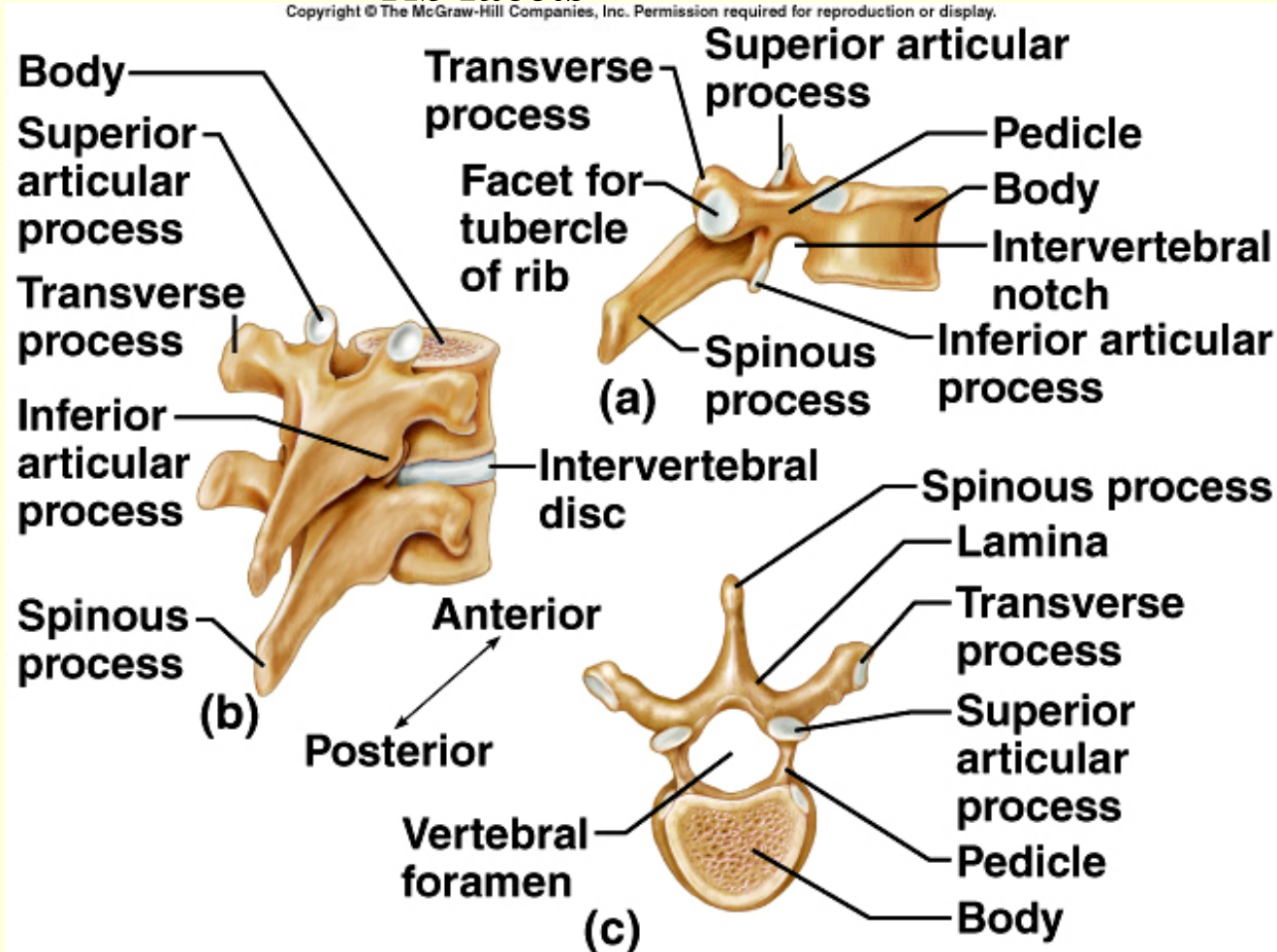
- The giraffe neck has the same number of cervical vertebrae as a human 7.
- Each vertebrae is approximately 11 inches long.



# Thoracic Vertebrae

- long spinous processes
- rib facets

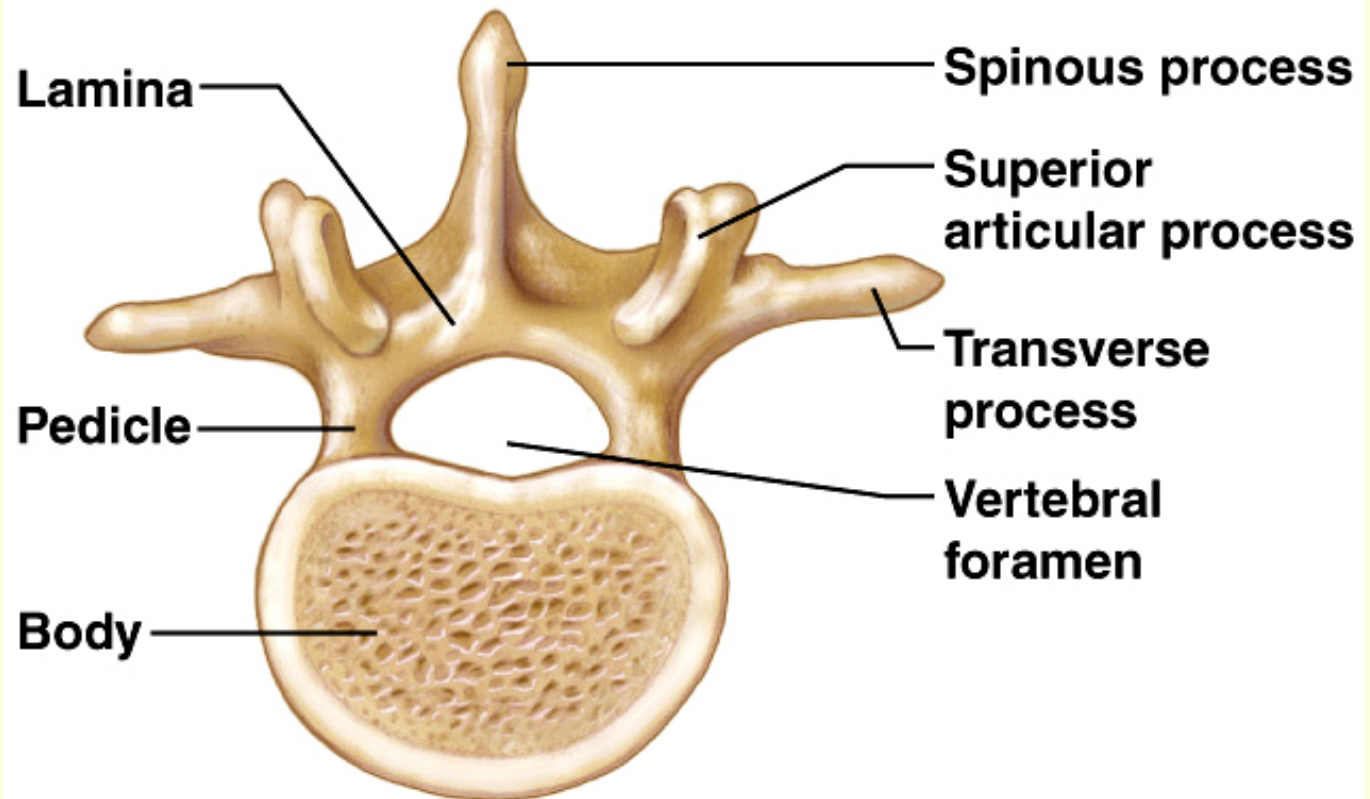
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# Lumbar Vertebrae

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- large bodies
- thick, short spinous processes

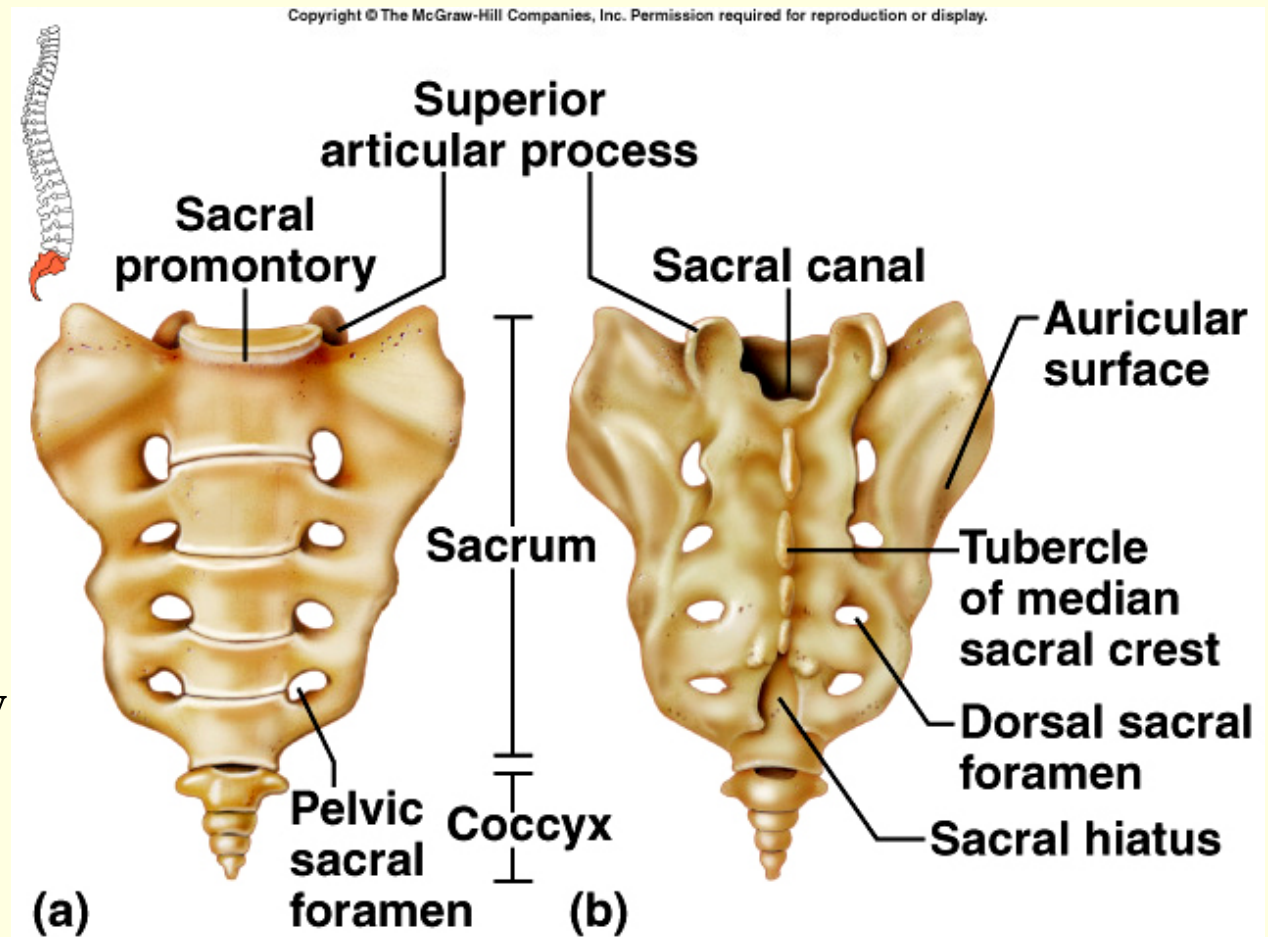


(c) Lumbar vertebra



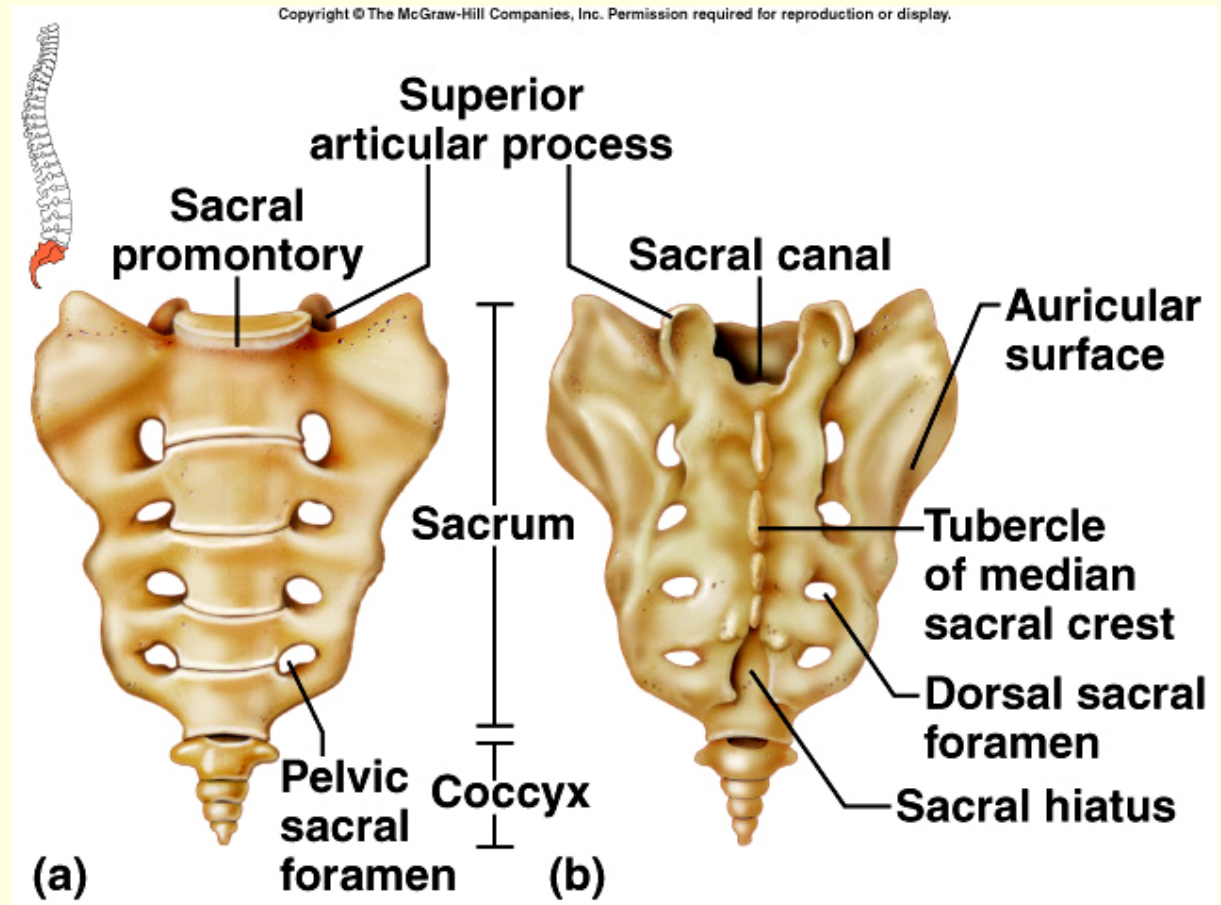
# Sacrum

- five fused vertebrae
- median sacral crest
- dorsal sacral foramina
- posterior wall of pelvic cavity
- sacral promontory



# Coccyx

- tailbone
- four fused vertebrae

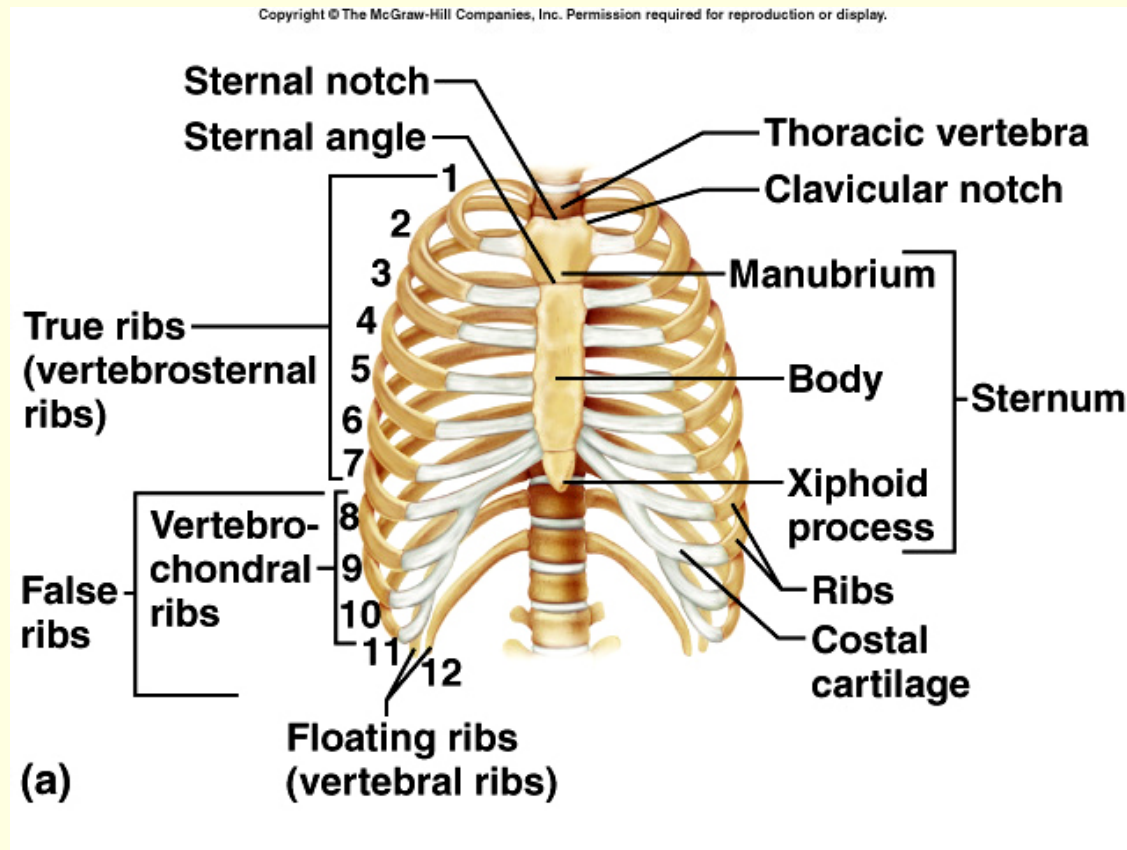


**TABLE 7.10** Bones of the Pectoral Girdle and Upper Limbs

Name and Number	Location	Special Features
Clavicle (2)	Base of neck between sternum and scapula	Sternal end, acromial end
Scapula (2)	Upper back, forming part of shoulder	Body, spine, head, acromion process, coracoid process, glenoid cavity
Humerus (2)	Arm, between scapula and elbow	Head, greater tubercle, lesser tubercle, intertubercular groove, surgical neck, deltoid tuberosity, capitulum, trochlea, medial epicondyle, lateral epicondyle, coronoid fossa, olecranon fossa
Radius (2)	Lateral side of forearm, between elbow and wrist	Head, radial tuberosity, styloid process, ulnar notch
Ulna (2)	Medial side of forearm, between elbow and wrist	Trochlear notch, olecranon process, head, styloid process, radial notch
Carpal (16)	Wrist	Arranged in two rows of four bones each
Metacarpal (10)	Palm	One in line with each finger and thumb
Phalanx (28)	Finger	Three in each finger; two in each thumb

# Thoracic Cage

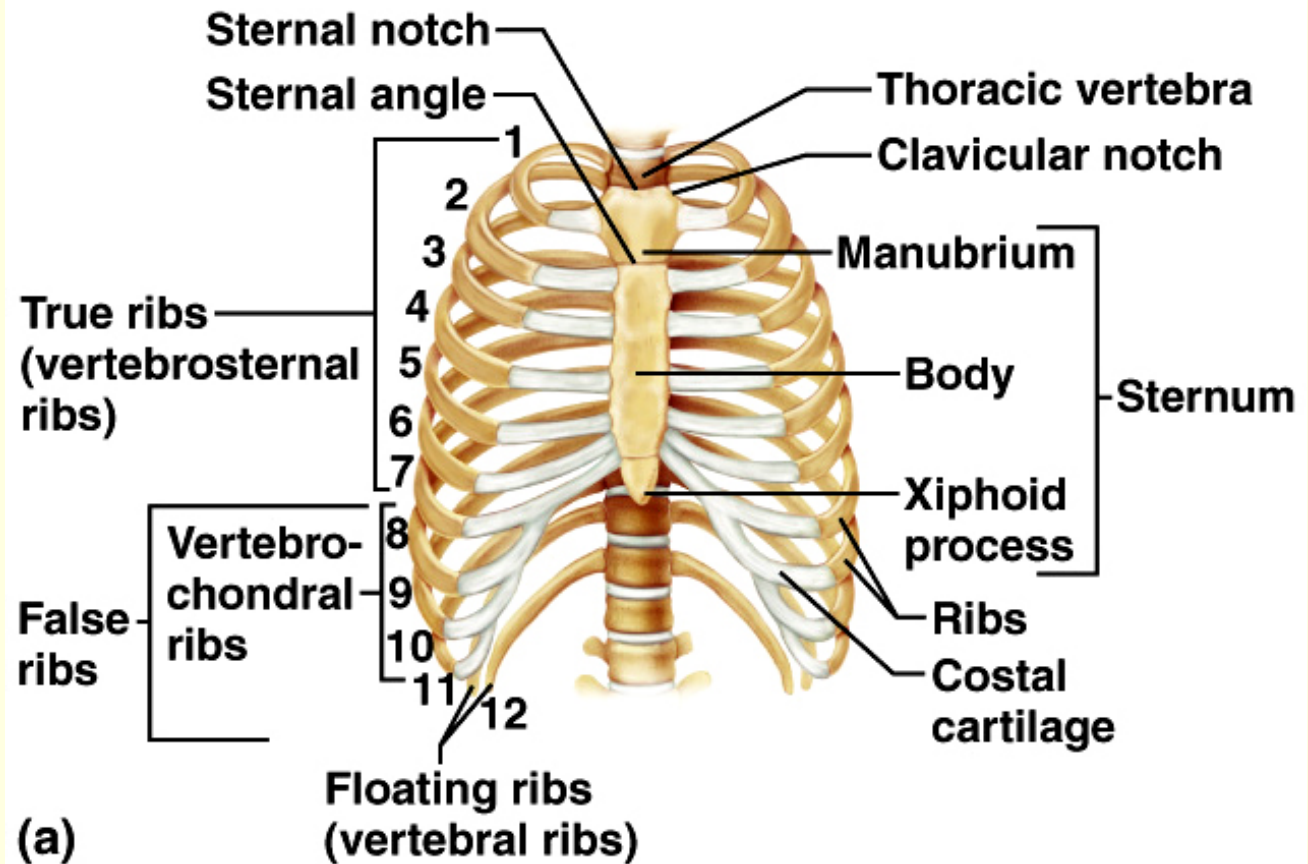
- **Ribs**
- **Sternum**
- **Thoracic vertebrae**
- **Costal cartilages**
- **Supports shoulder girdle**
- **Protects viscera**
- **Role in breathing**



# Ribs

- **True** ribs (7)
- **False** ribs (5)
  - floating (2)

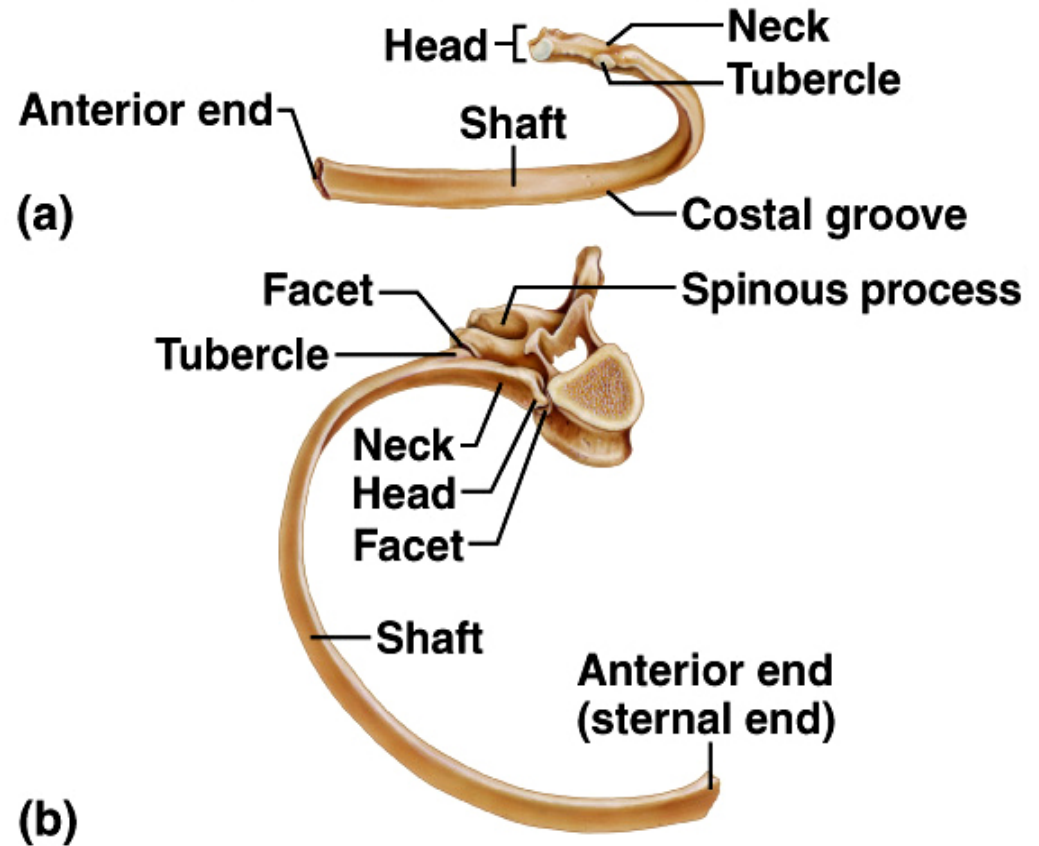
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# Rib Structure

- **Shaft**
- **Head** – posterior end; articulates with vertebrae
- **Tubercle** – articulates with vertebrae
- **Costal cartilage** – hyaline cartilage

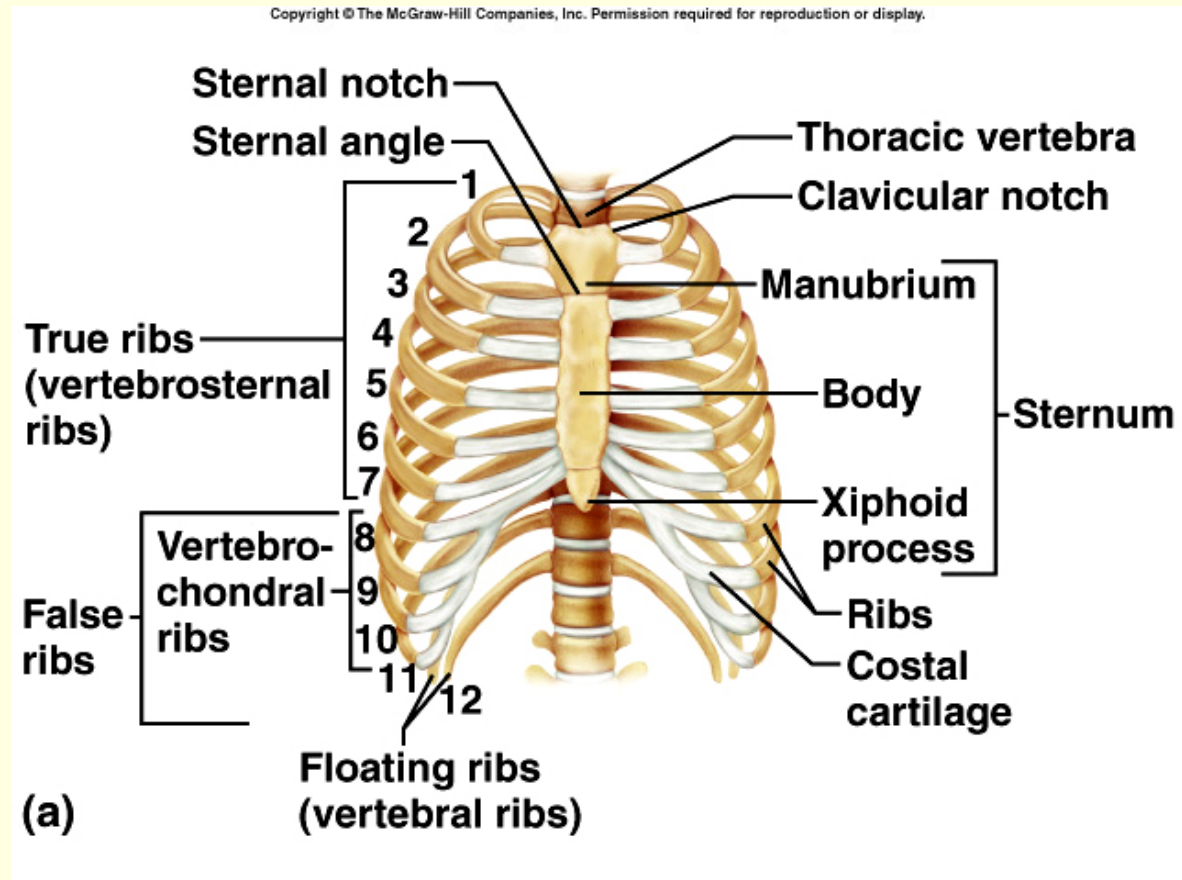
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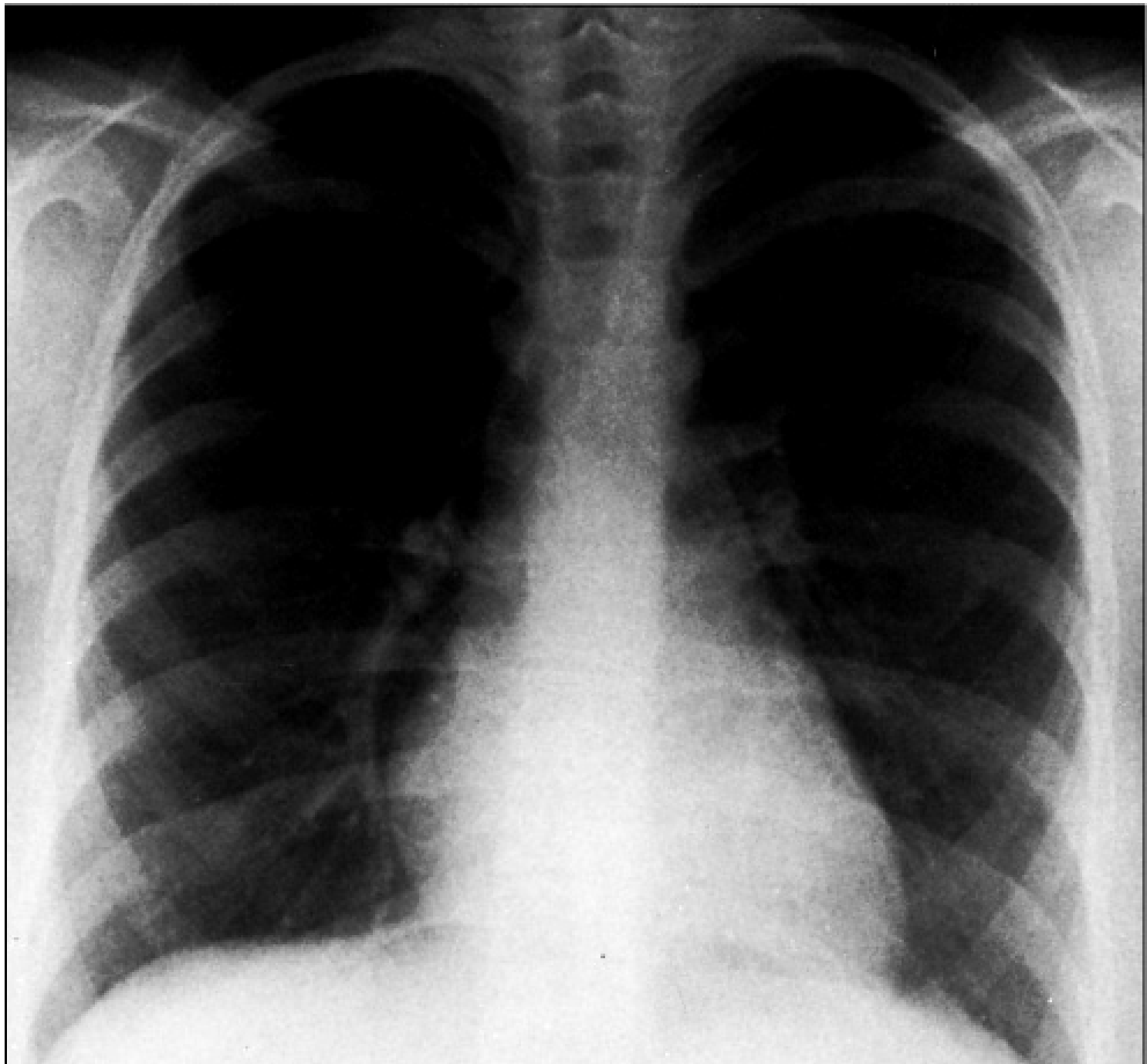




# Sternum

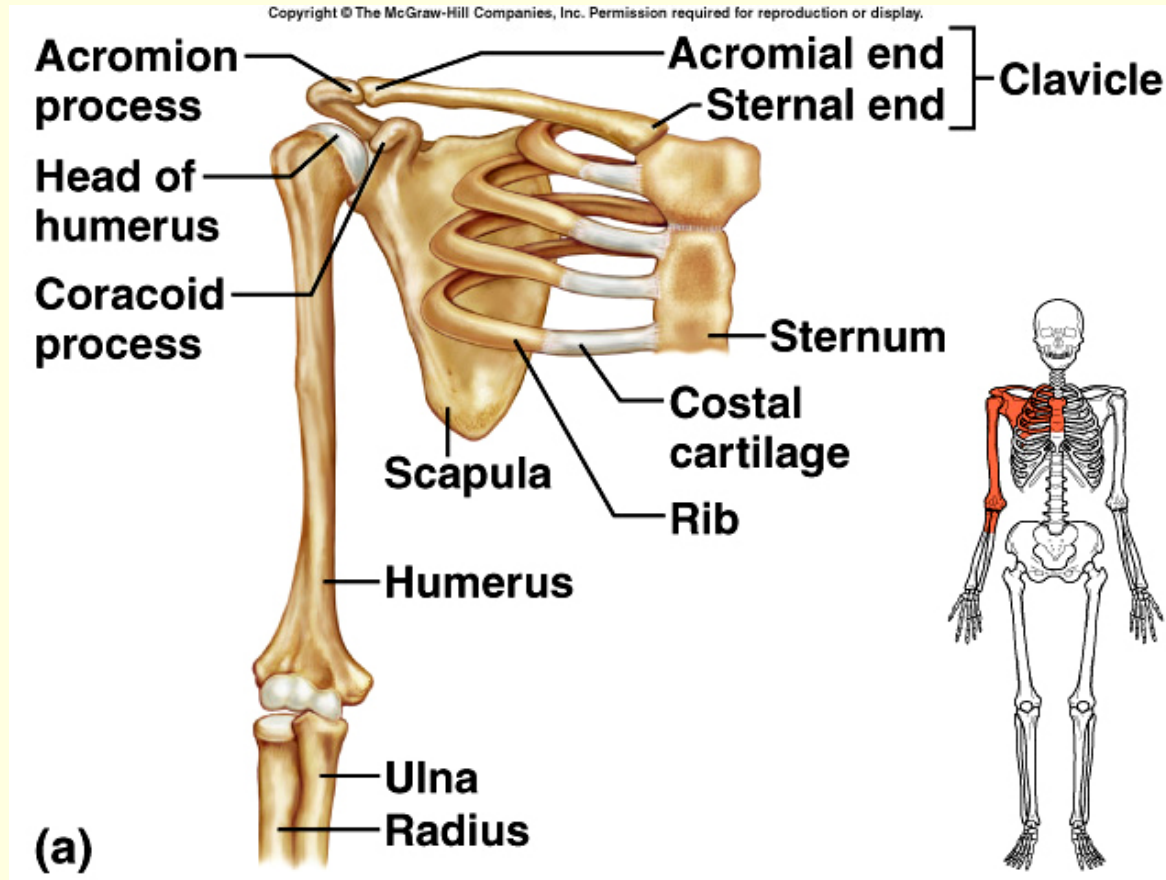
- **Manubrium**
- **Body**
- **Xiphoid process**





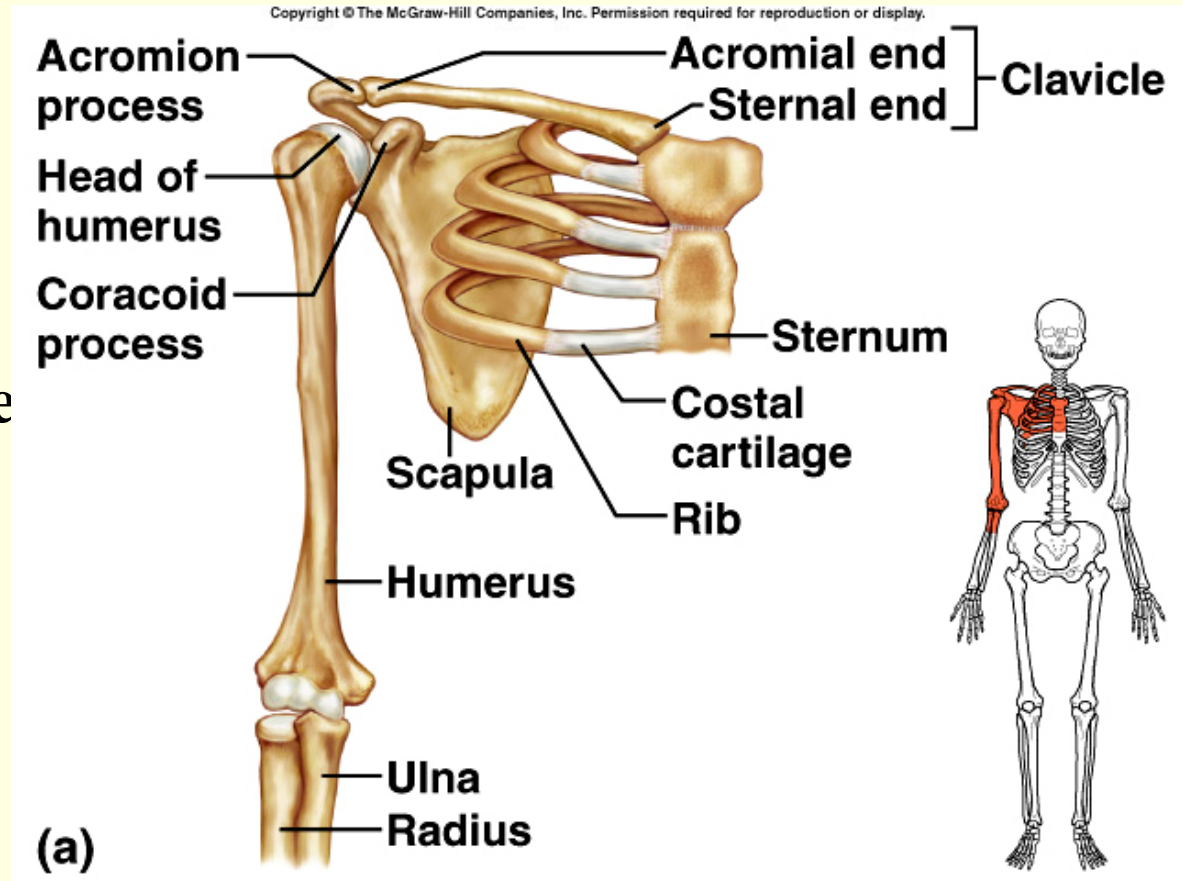
# Pectoral Girdle

- shoulder girdle
- **clavicles**
- **scapulae**
- supports upper limbs



# Clavicles

- articulate with manubrium
- articulate with scapulae (acromion process)



**Clavicle**

**Acromion  
process**

**Head of  
humerus**

**Coracoid  
process**

**Humerus**

**Rib**

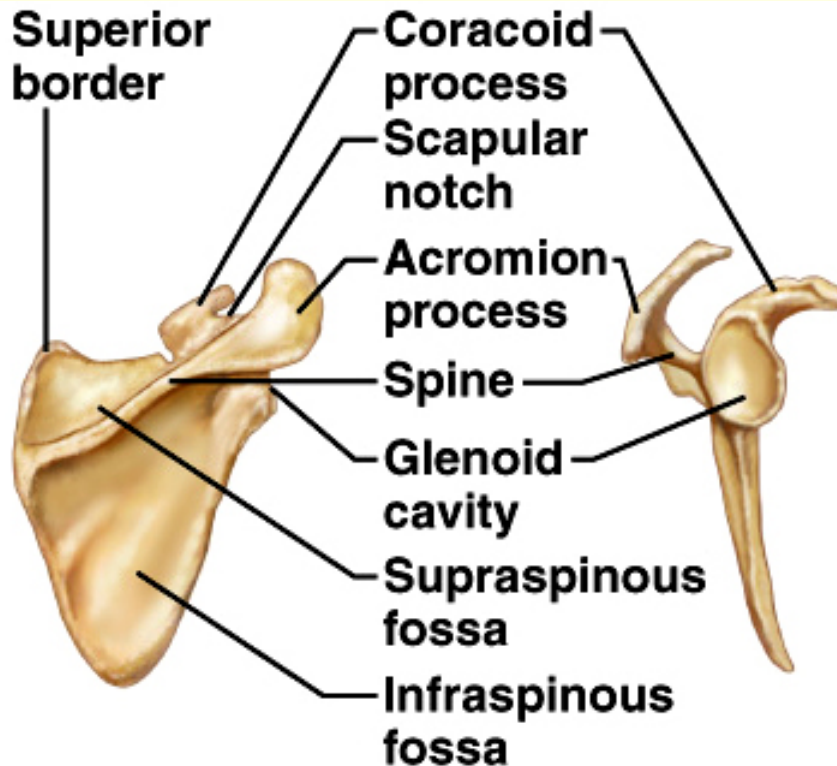


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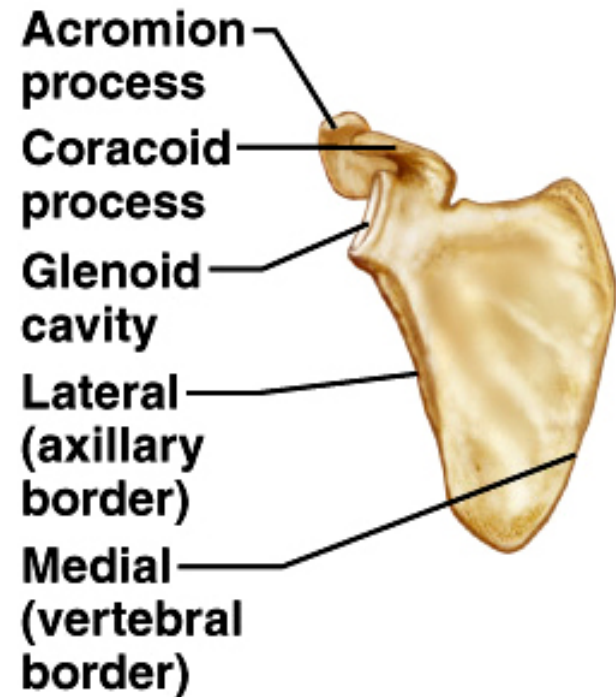
- spine
- supraspinous fossa
- infraspinous fossa

- acromion process
- coracoid process
- glenoid cavity



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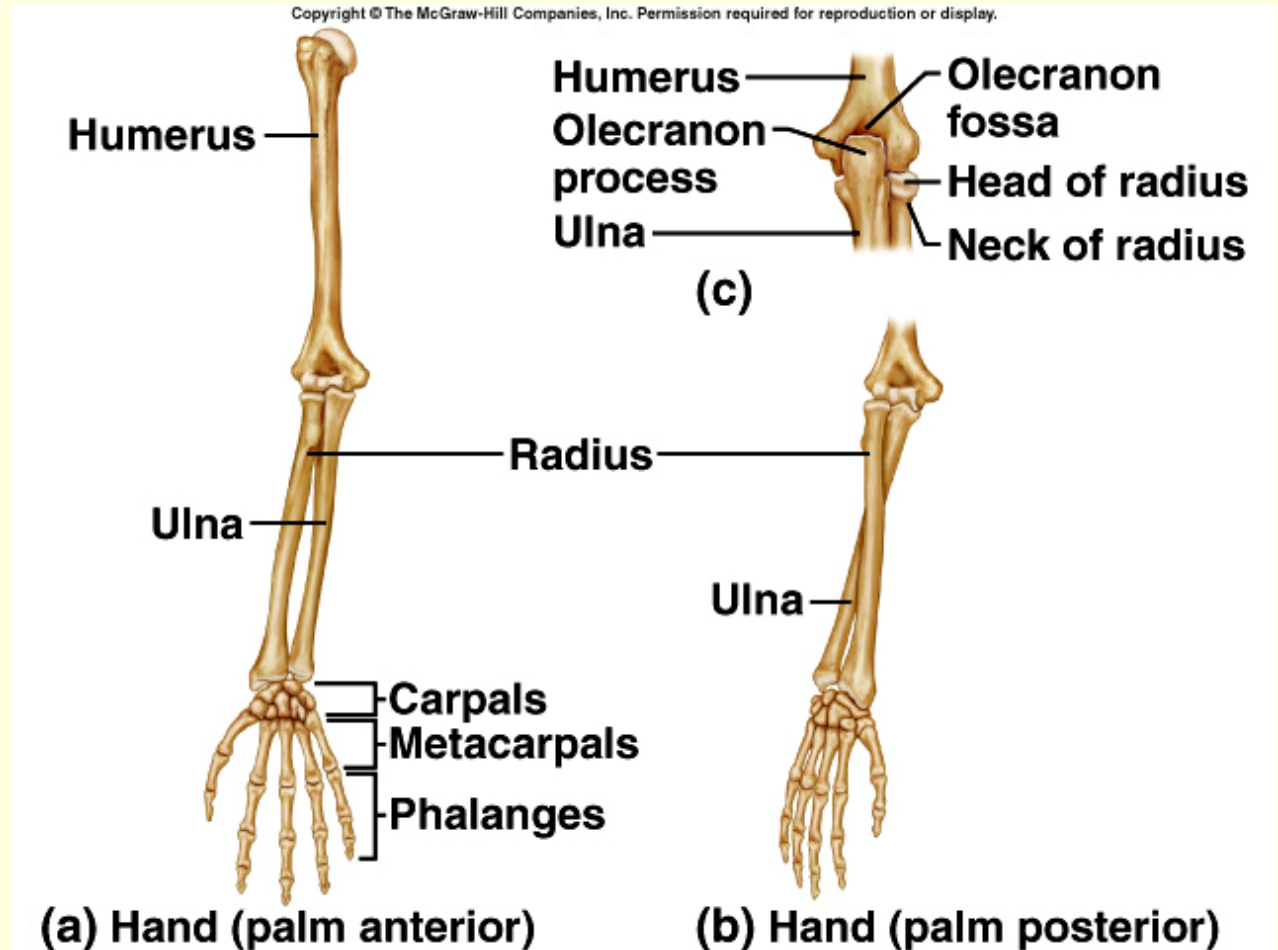


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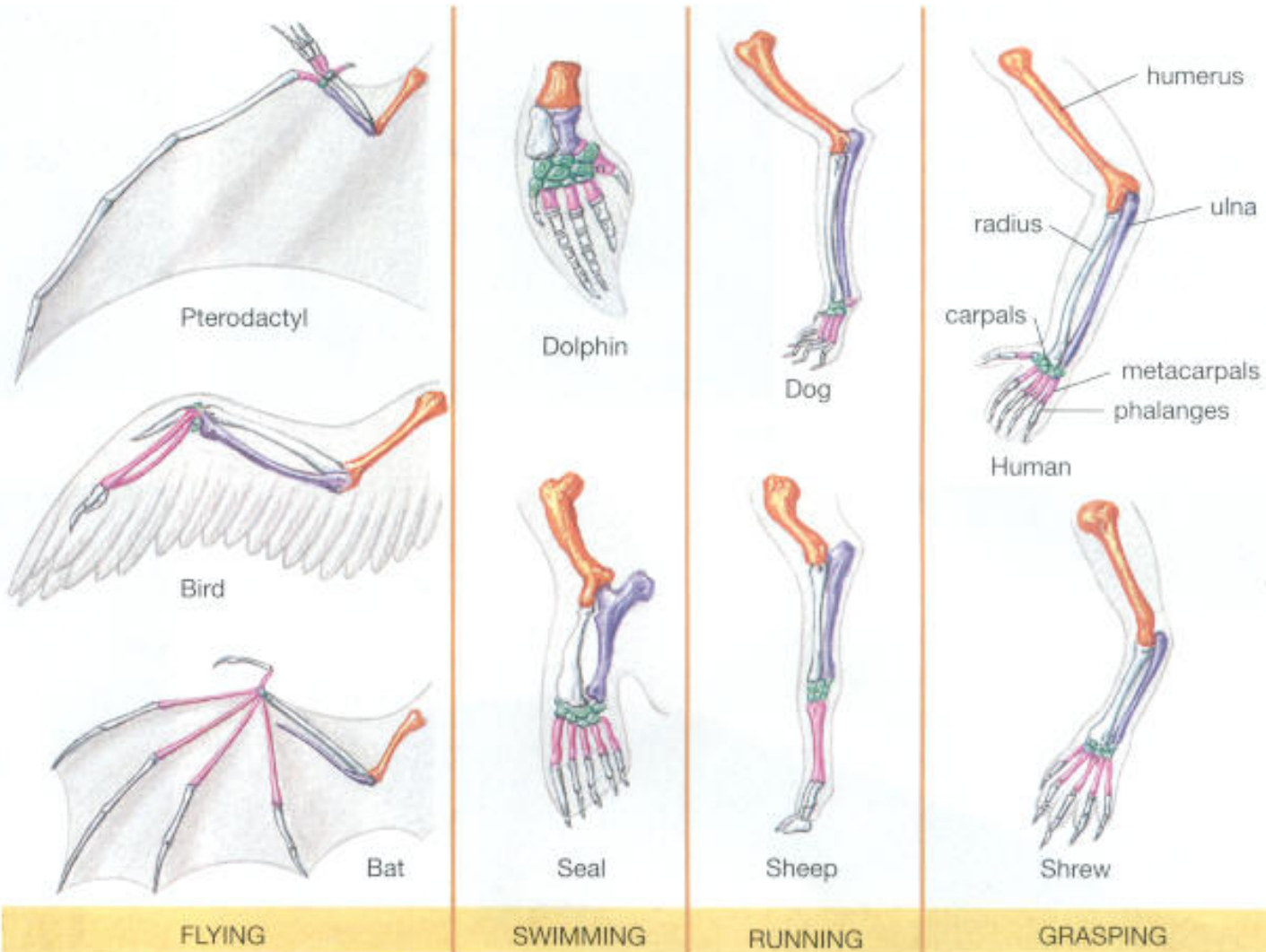


# Upper Limb

- **Humerus**
- **Radius**
- **Ulna**
- **Carpals**
- **Metacarpals**
- **Phalanges**



# Homologous Anatomical Structures

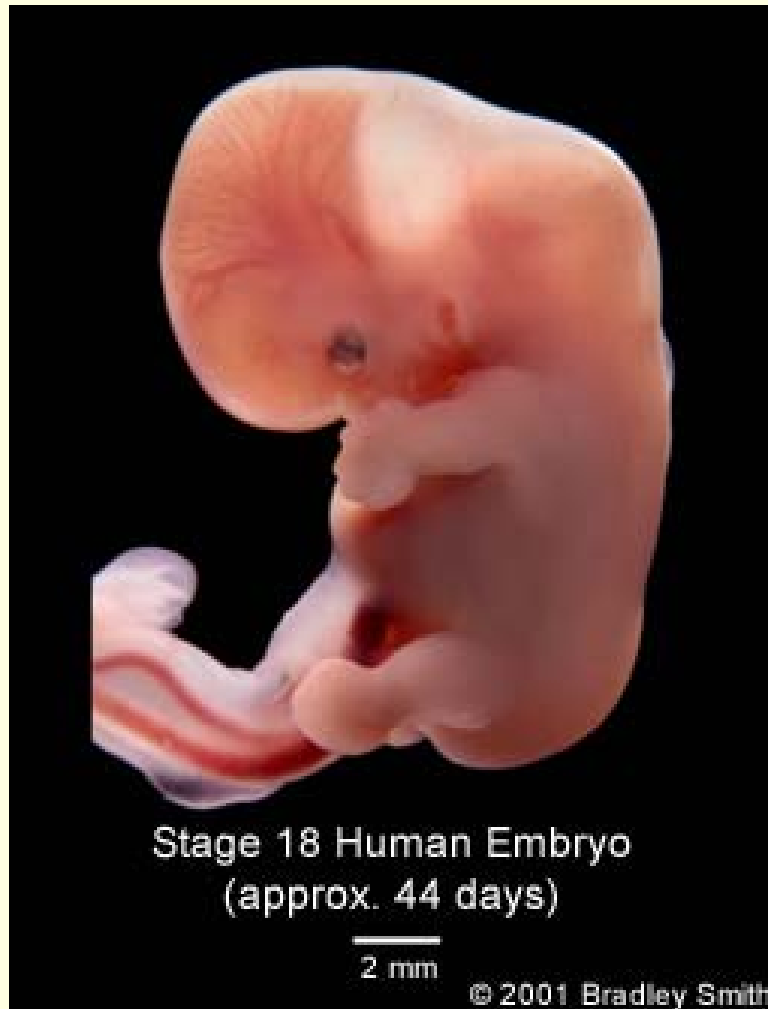


# Limb buds of a young Human Embryo



- A 28 day old embryo (upper photograph) and a 33 day old embryo (lower photograph) has a head, tail, backbone and limb buds - which will eventually become arms and legs. The beginnings of ears and eyes are also visible. The heart is already beating, and the other organs are forming fast. An umbilical cord starts to grow between the embryo and the placenta.

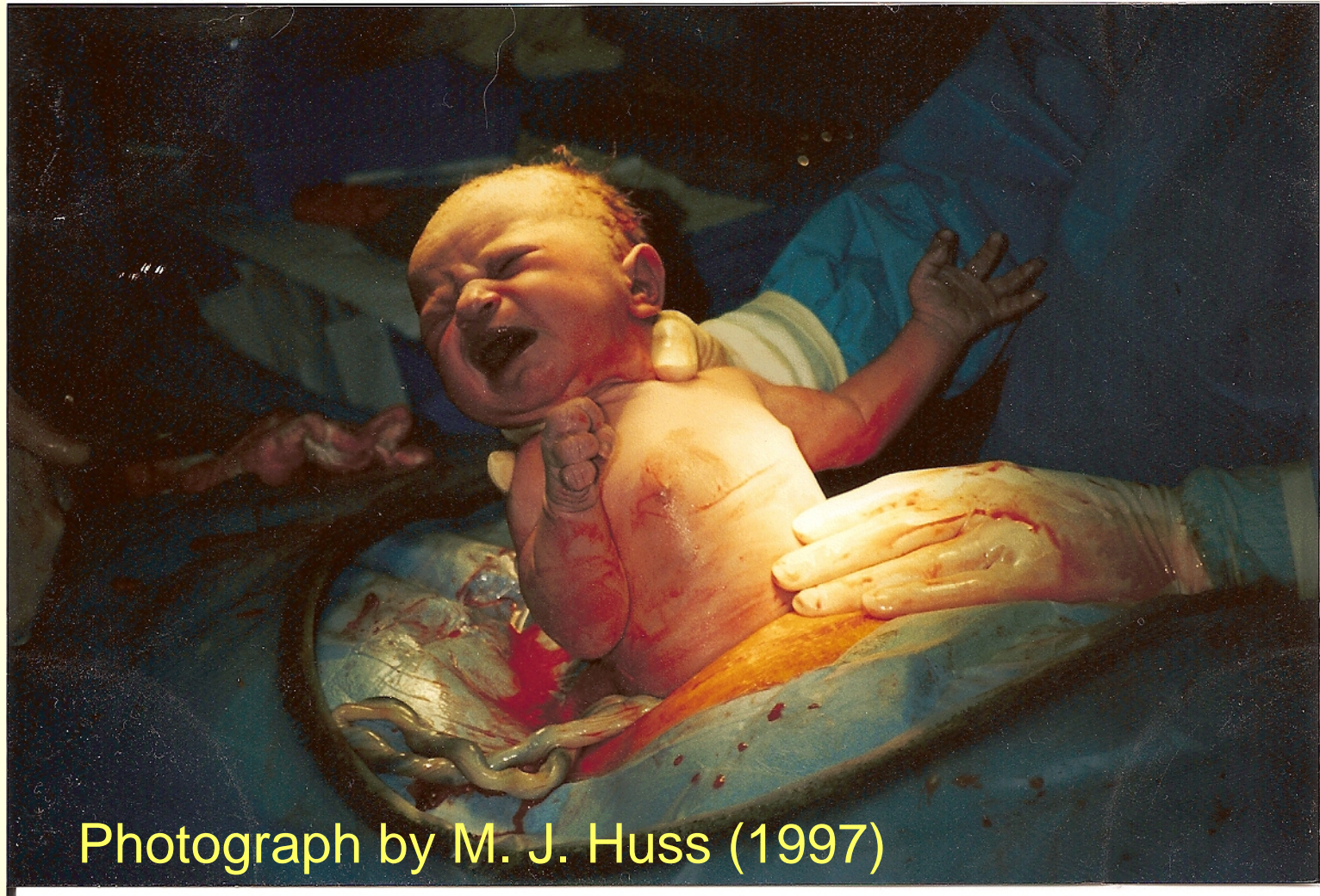
# Forelimbs & Hindlimbs of an Embryo



- Most embryos that are 44 postovulatory days old measure 13-17 mm in length. Note evidence of distinct notching in the hand plate of the forelimbs.



Full term baby born via Caesarian-Section (note presence of two fully developed forelimbs)



Photograph by M. J. Huss (1997)

# Child born with extra Forelimb

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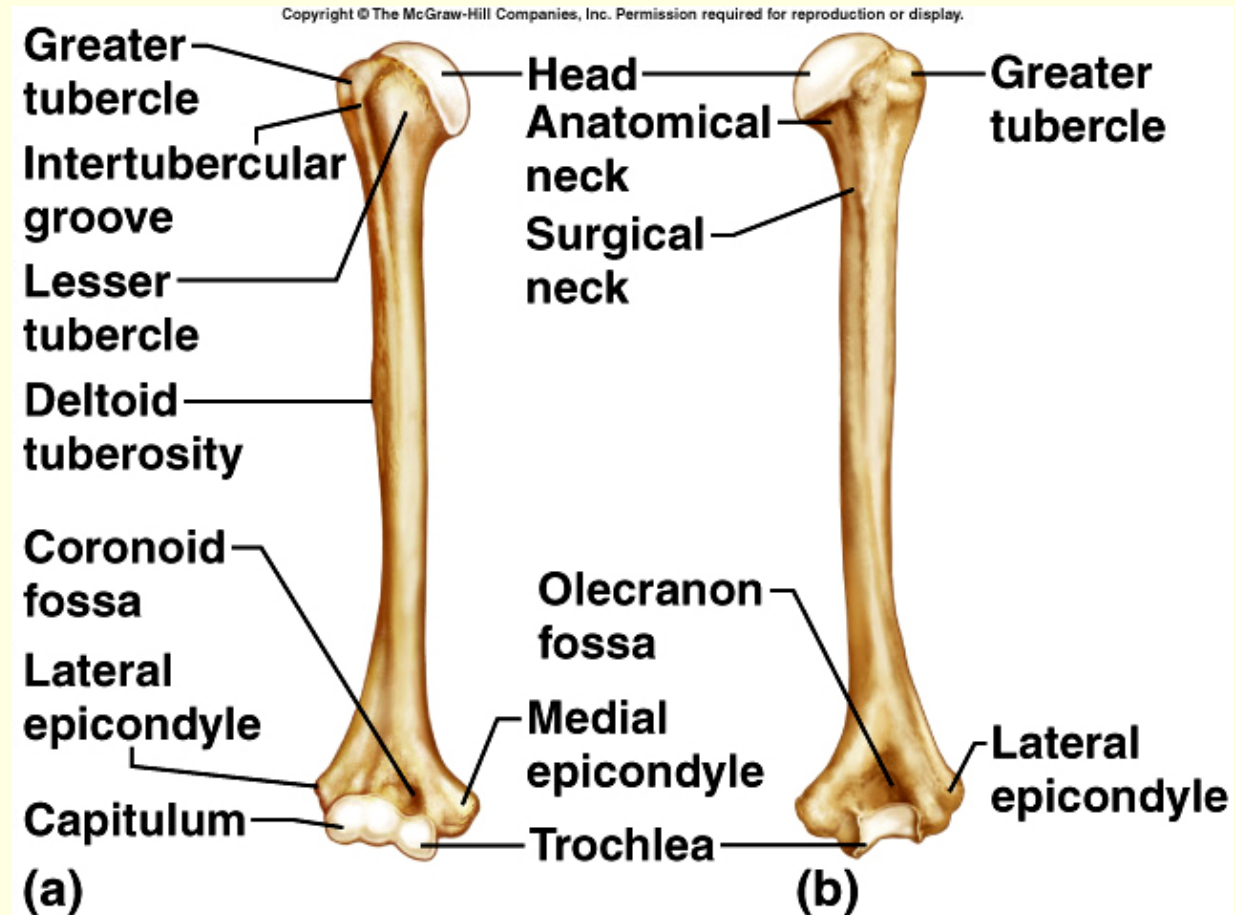


- Chinese baby born with three Arms: The child pictured is shown at 2 months of age. The extra appendage was removed surgically)
- **See story available online at <http://edition.cnn.com/2006/WORLD/asiapcf/06/06/third.arm/>**



# Humerus

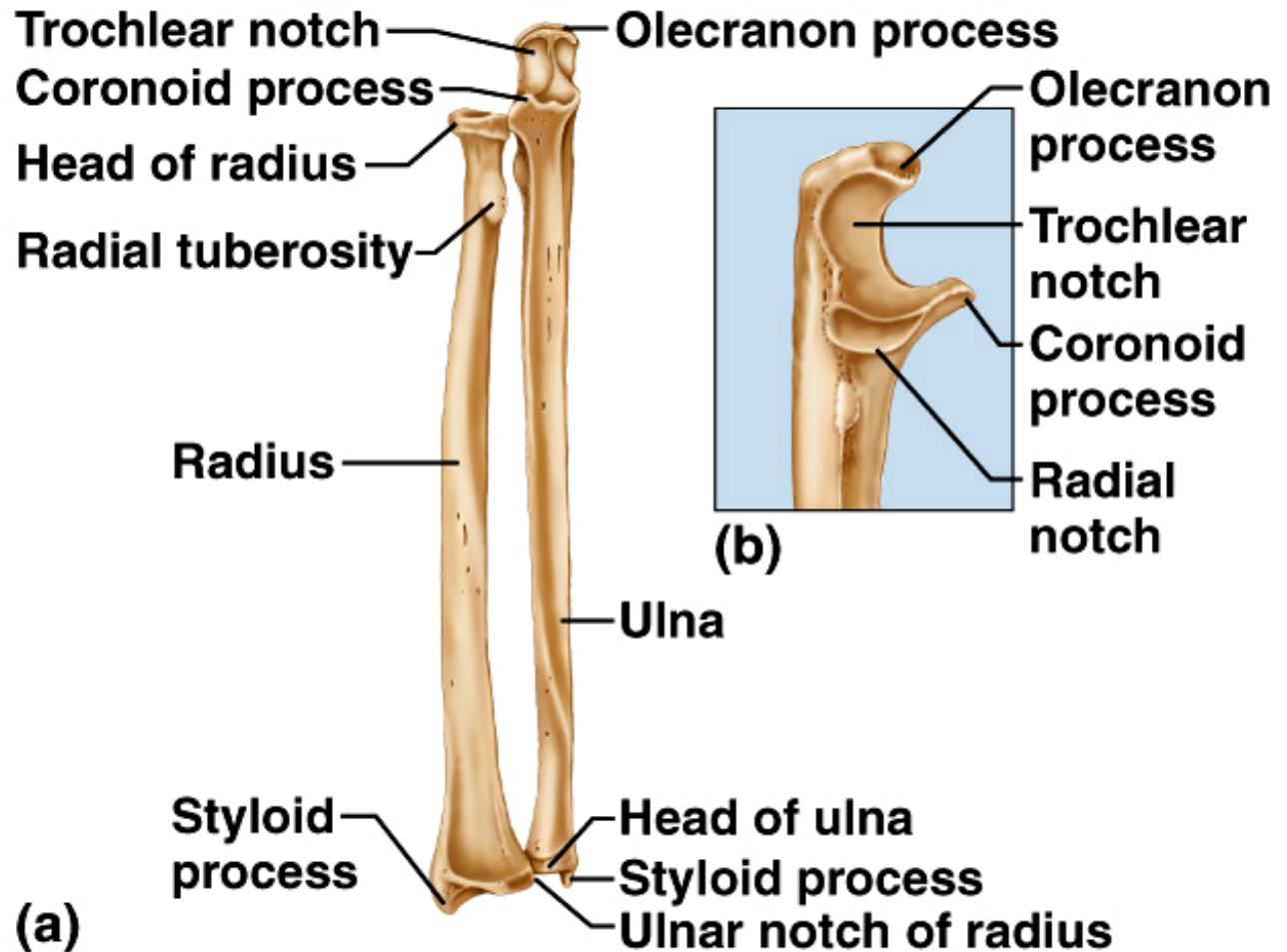
- head
- greater tubercle
- lesser tubercle
- anatomical neck
- surgical neck
- deltoid tuberosity
- capitulum
- trochlea
- coronoid fossa
- olecranon fossa



# Radius

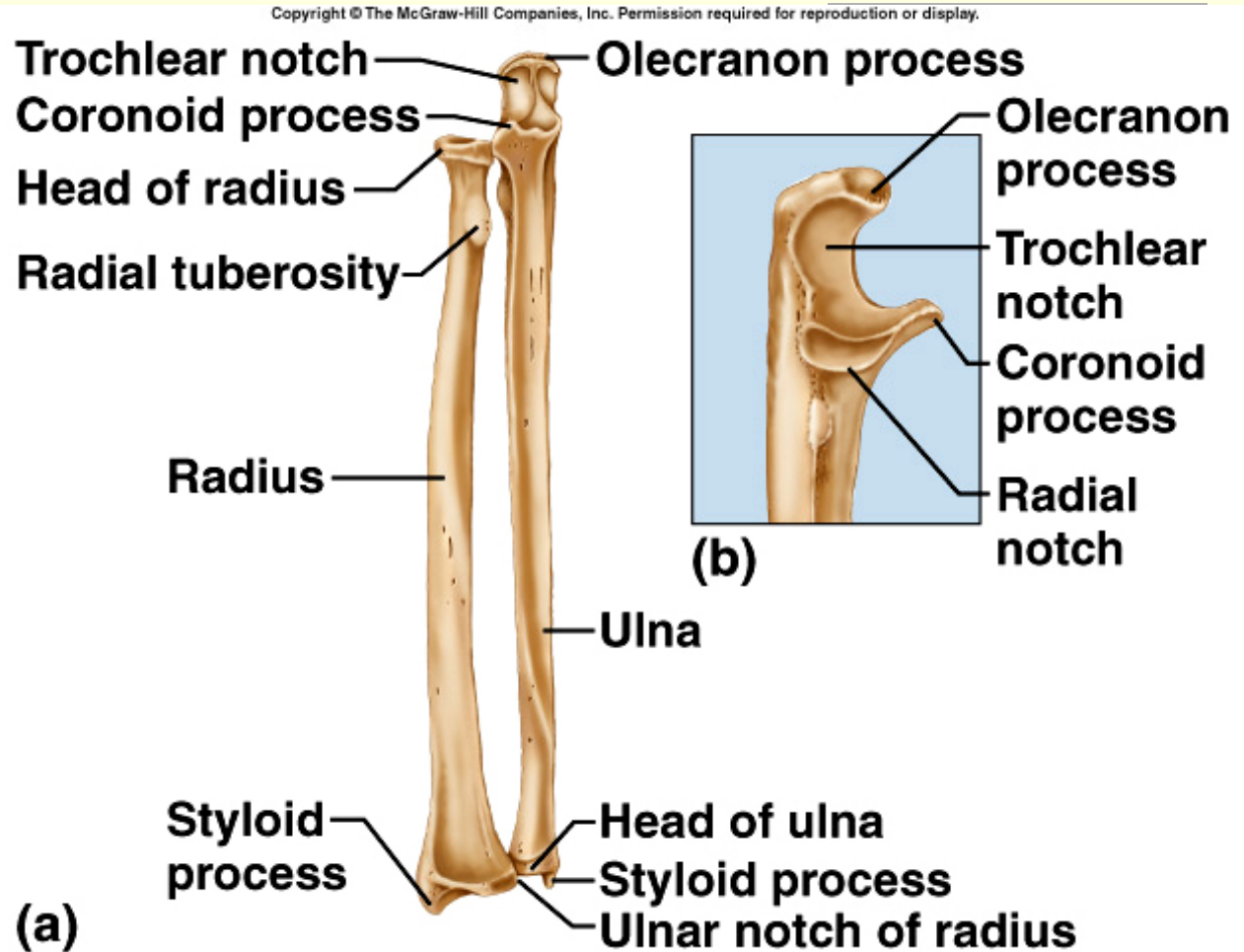
- lateral forearm bone
- head
- radial tuberosity
- styloid process

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# Ulna

- medial forearm bone
- trochlear notch
- olecranon process
- coronoid process
- styloid process





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# Wrist and Hand

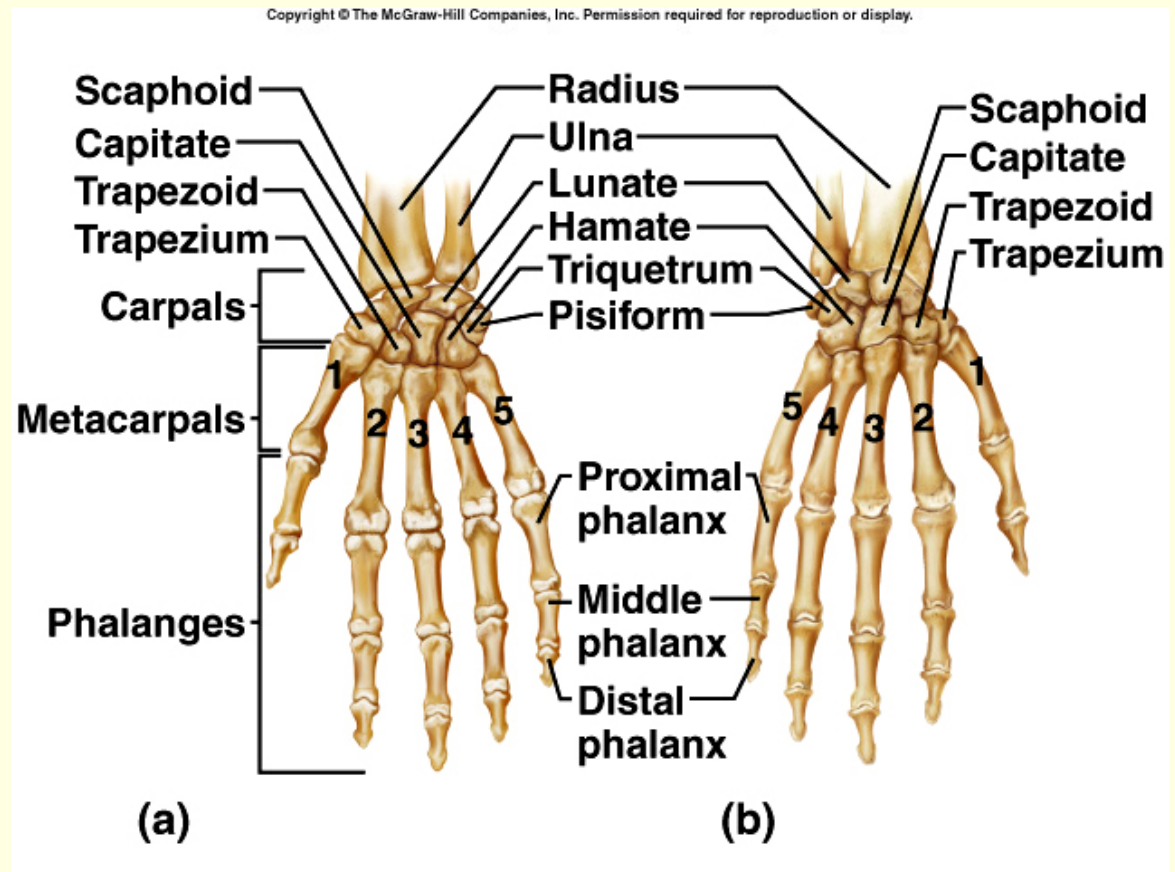
- **Carpals (16)**

- trapezium
- trapezoid
- capitate
- scaphoid
- pisiform
- triquetrum
- hamate
- lunate

- **Metacarpals (10)**

- **Phalanges (28)**

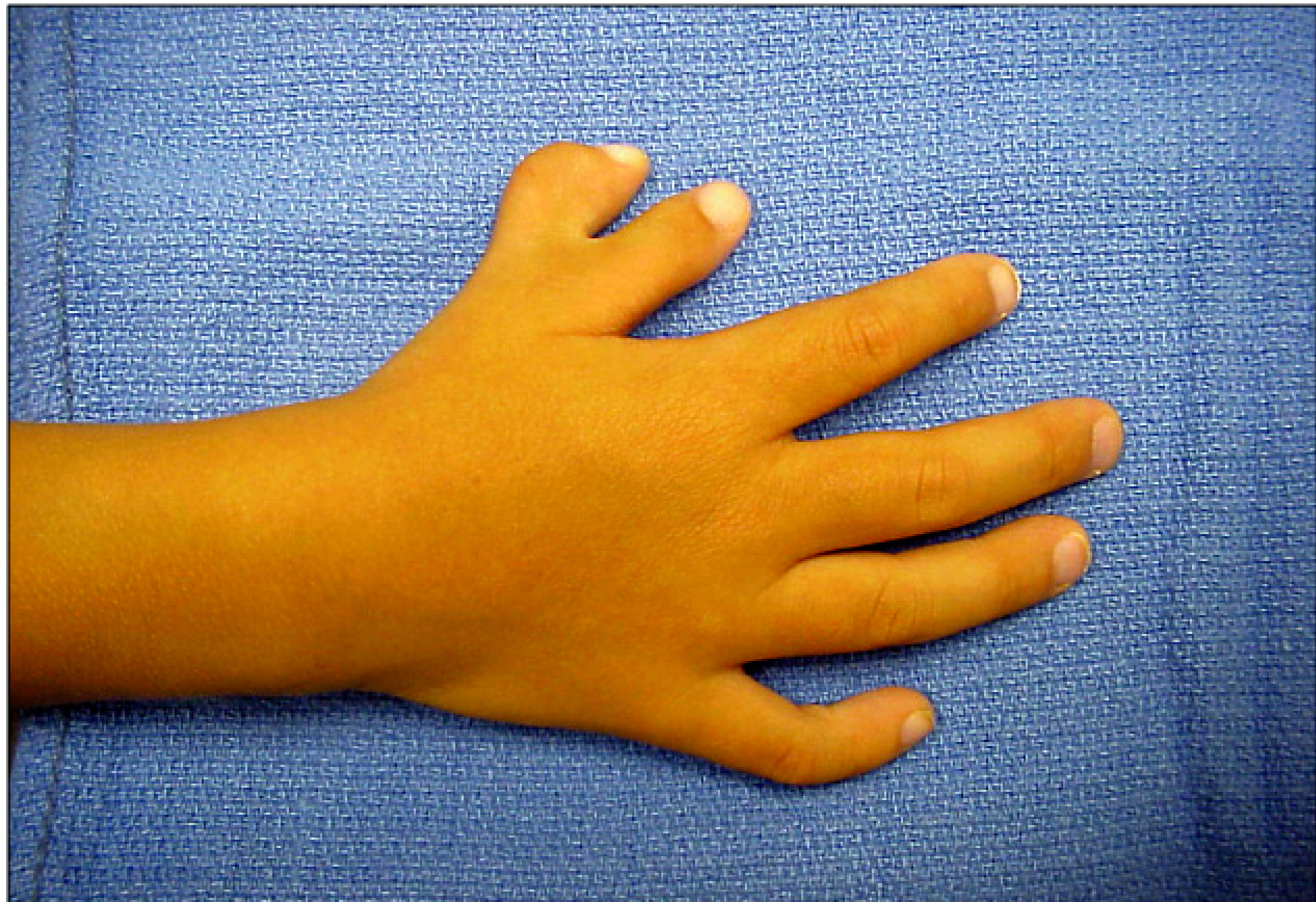
- proximal phalanx
- middle phalanx
- distal phalanx





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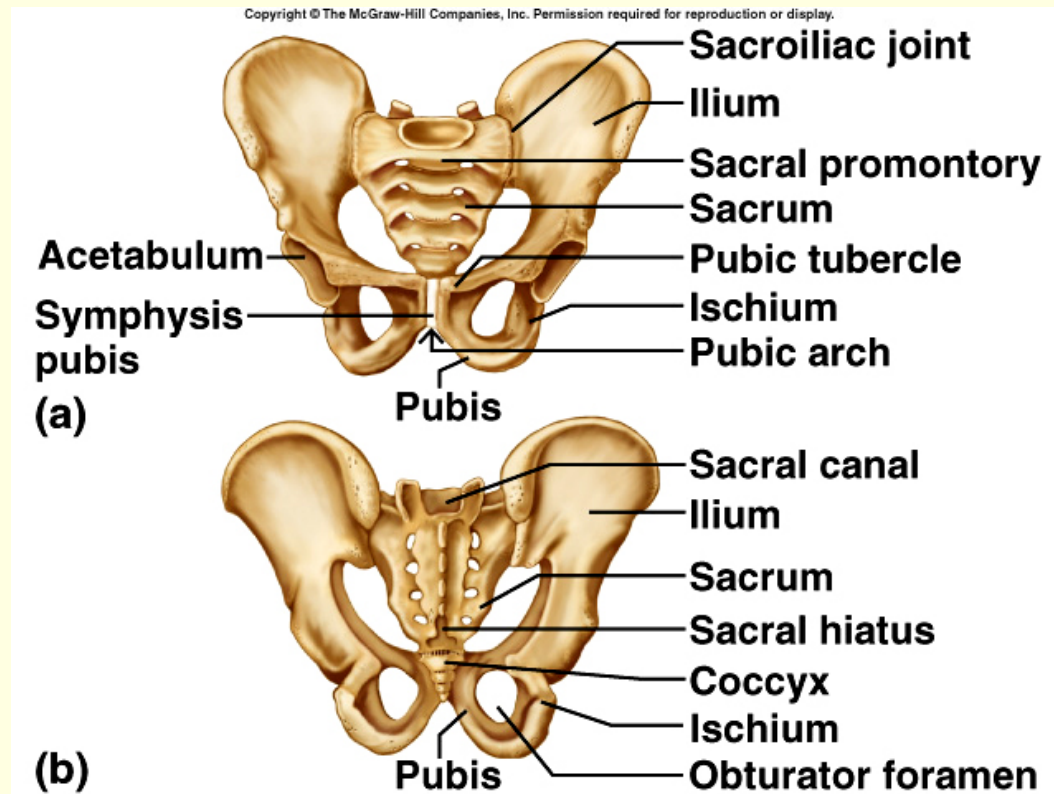


**TABLE 7.12** Bones of the Pelvic Girdle and Lower Limbs

Name and Number	Location	Special Features
Coxa (2)	Hip, articulating with the other coxa anteriorly and with the sacrum posteriorly	Ilium, iliac crest, anterior superior iliac spine, ischium, ischial tuberosity, ischial spine, obturator foramen, acetabulum, pubis
Femur (2)	Thigh, between hip and knee	Head, fovea capitis, neck, greater trochanter, lesser trochanter, linea aspera, lateral condyle, medial condyle, gluteal tuberosity, intercondylar fossa
Patella (2)	Anterior surface of knee	A flat sesamoid bone located within a tendon
Tibia (2)	Medial side of leg, between knee and ankle	Medial condyle, lateral condyle, tibial tuberosity, anterior crest, medial malleolus, intercondylar eminence
Fibula (2)	Lateral side of leg, between knee and ankle	Head, lateral malleolus
Tarsal (14)	Ankle	Freely movable talus that articulates with leg bones; calcaneus that forms the base of the heel; five other tarsal bones bound firmly together
Metatarsal (10)	Instep	One in line with each toe, arranged and bound by ligaments to form arches
Phalanx (28)	Toe	Three in each toe, two in great toe

# Pelvic Girdle

- **Coxae** (2)
- supports trunk of body
- protects viscera



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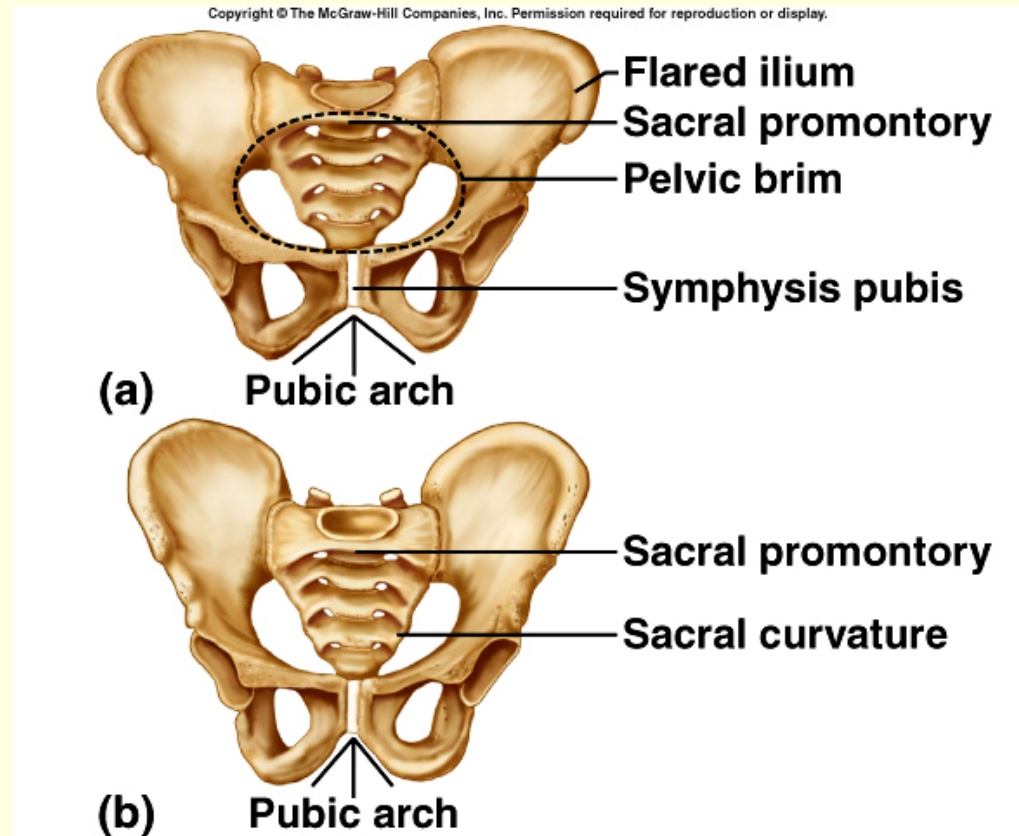
# Greater and Lesser Pelvis

## Greater Pelvis

- lumbar vertebrae posteriorly
- iliac bones laterally
- abdominal wall anteriorly

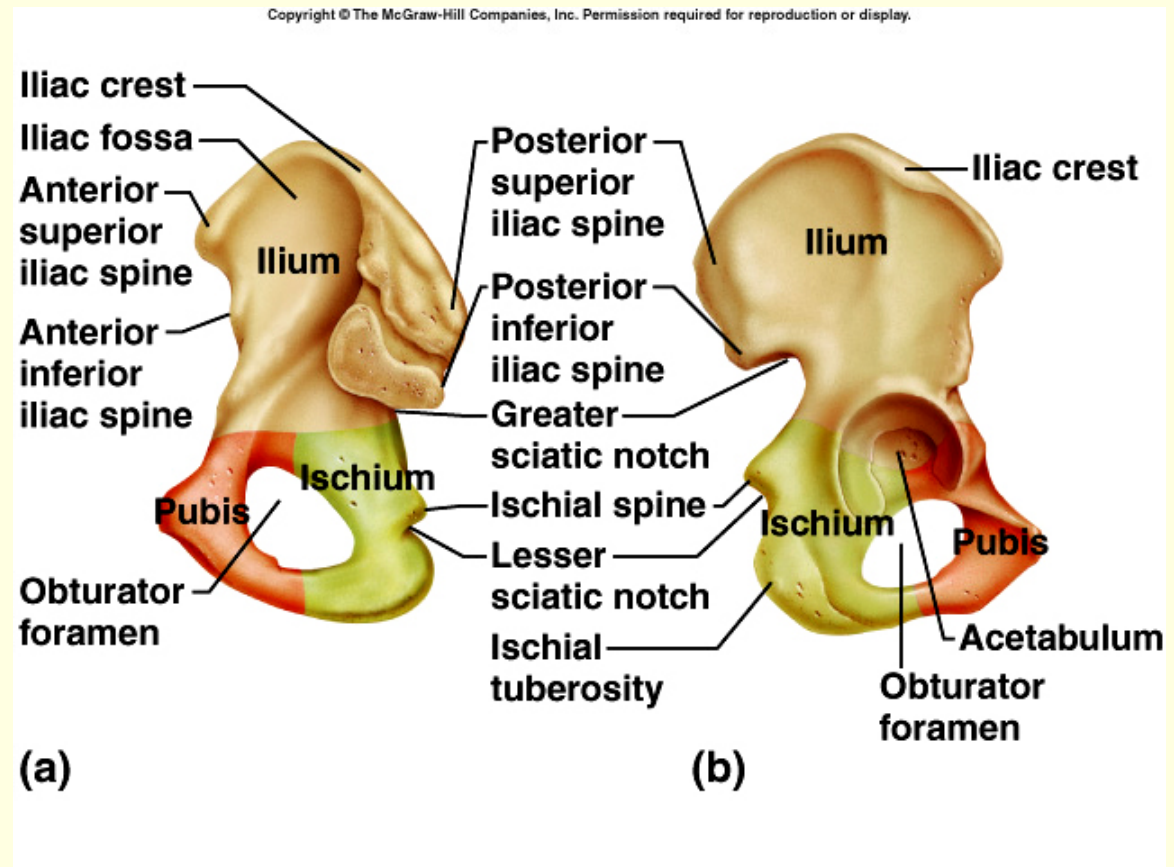
## Lesser Pelvis

- sacrum and coccyx posteriorly
- lower ilium, ischium, and pubis bones laterally and anteriorly



# Coxae

- hip bones
- **ilium**
  - iliac crest
  - iliac spines
  - greater sciatic notch
- **ischium**
  - ischial spines
  - lesser sciatic notch
  - ischial tuberosity
- **pubis**
  - obturator foramen
  - acetabulum

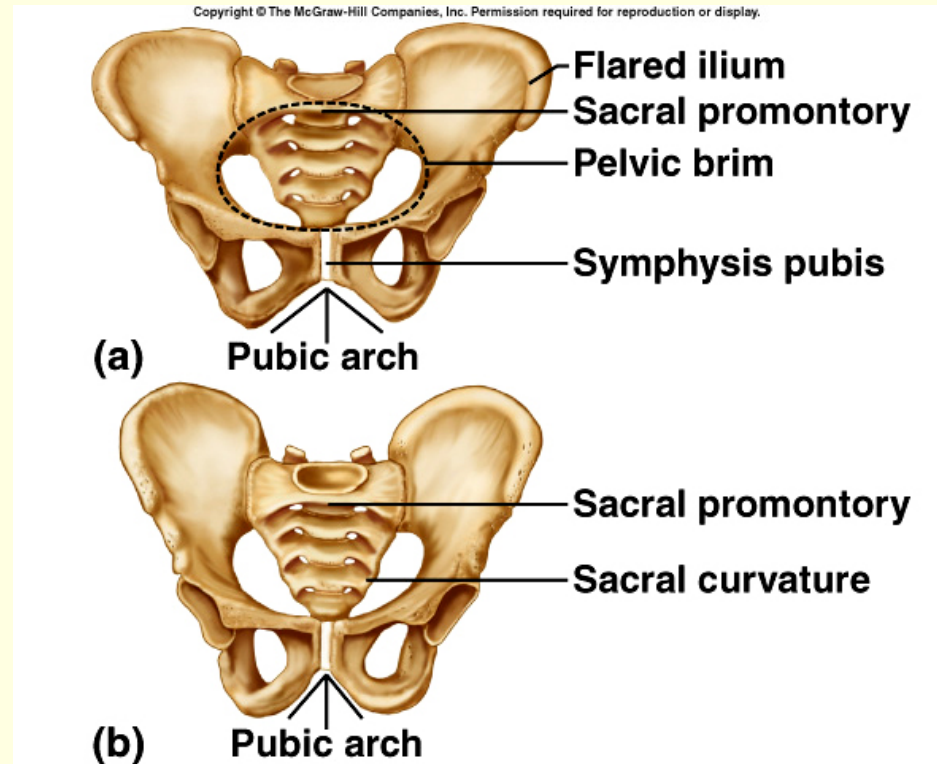




# Male and Female Pelvis

## Female

- iliac bones more flared
- broader hips
- pubic arch angle greater
- more distance between ischial spine and ischial tuberosity
- sacral curvature shorter and flatter
- lighter bones



**TABLE 7.11** Differences Between the Male and Female Skeletons

Part	Differences
Skull	Male skull is larger and heavier, with more conspicuous muscular attachments. Male forehead is shorter, facial area is less round, jaw larger, and mastoid processes and supraorbital ridges more prominent than those of a female.
Pelvis	Male pelvic bones are heavier, thicker, and have more obvious muscular attachments. The obturator foramina and the acetabula are larger and closer together than those of a female.
Pelvic cavity	Male pelvic cavity is narrower in all diameters and is longer, less roomy, and more funnel-shaped. The distances between the ischial spines and between the ischial tuberosities are less than in a female.
Sacrum	Male sacrum is narrower, sacral promontory projects forward to a greater degree, and sacral curvature is bent less sharply posteriorly than in a female.
Coccyx	Male coccyx is less movable than that of a female.

# Lower Limb

- **Femur**
- **Patella**
- **Tibia**
- **Fibula**
- **Tarsals**
- **Metatarsals**
- **Phalanges**

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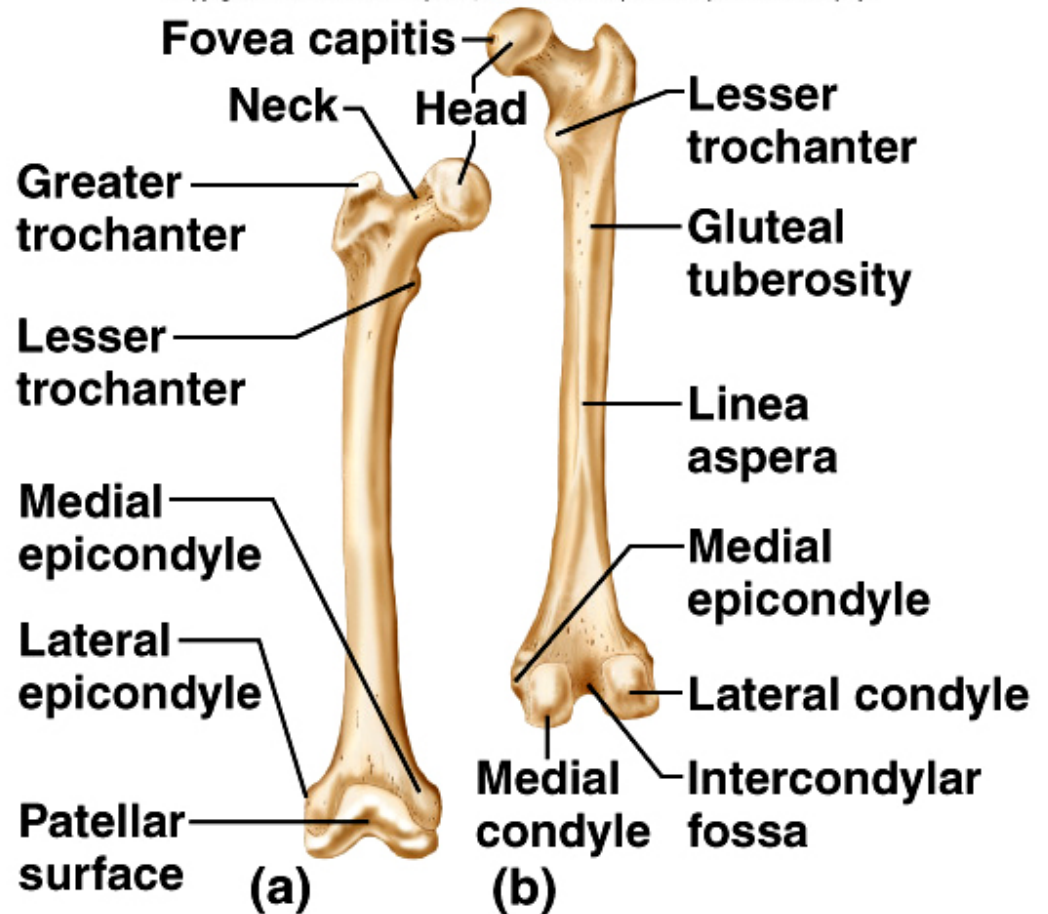


(a)

# Femur

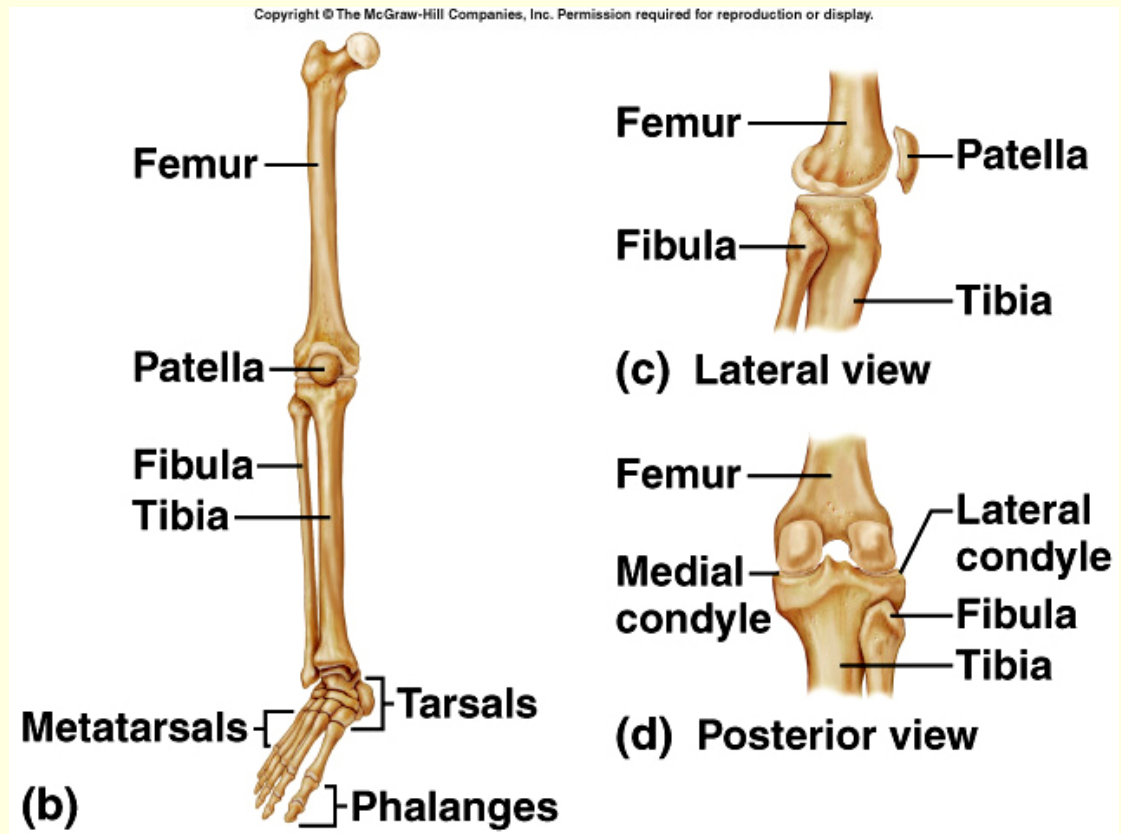
- longest bone of body
- head
- fovea capitis
- neck
- greater trochanter
- lesser trochanter
- linea aspera
- condyles
- epicondyles

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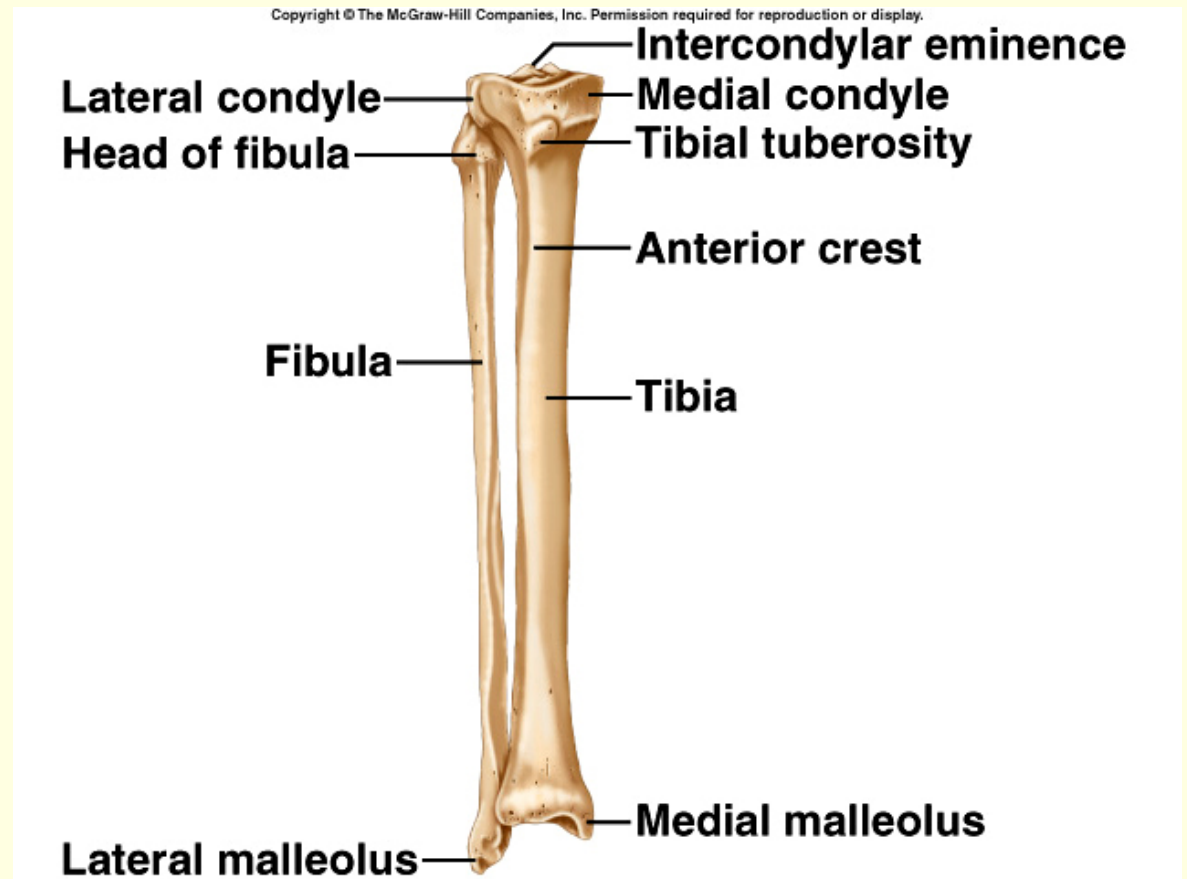
# Patella

- kneecap
- anterior surface of knee
- flat sesmoid bone located in a tendon



# Tibia

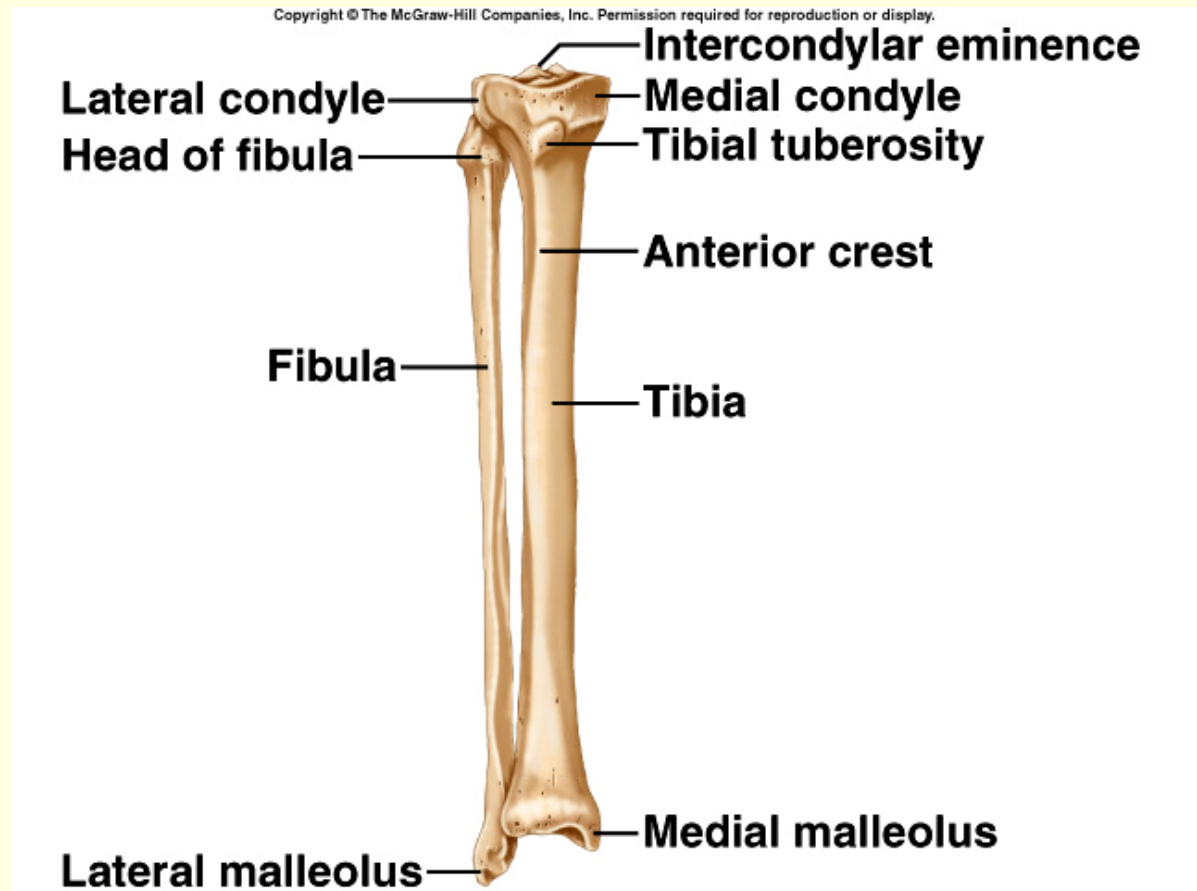
- shin bone
- medial to fibula
- condyles
- tibial tuberosity
- anterior crest
- medial malleolus





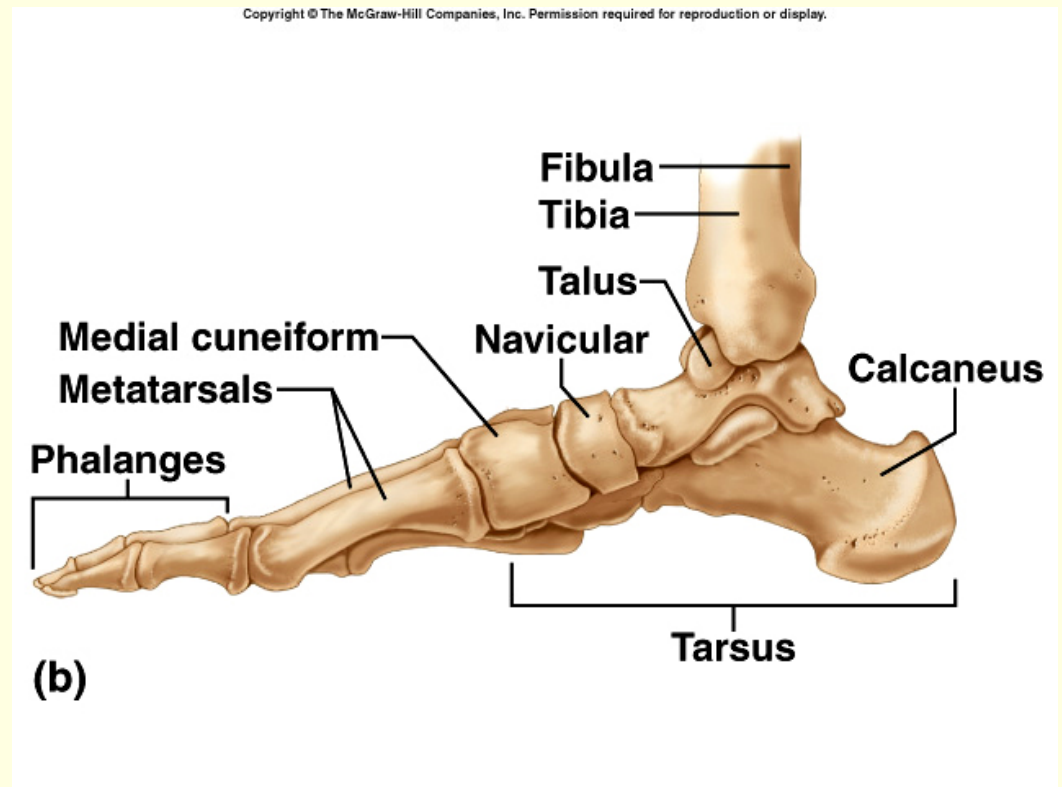
# Fibula

- lateral to tibia
- long, slender
- head
- lateral malleolus
- does not bear any body weight



# Ankle and Foot

- **Tarsals (14)**
  - calcaneus
  - talus
  - navicular
  - cuboid
  - lateral cuneiform
  - intermediate cuneiform
  - medial cuneiform
- **Metatarsals (10)**
- **Phalanges (28)**
  - proximal
  - middle
  - distal



# X-ray photograph of the foot

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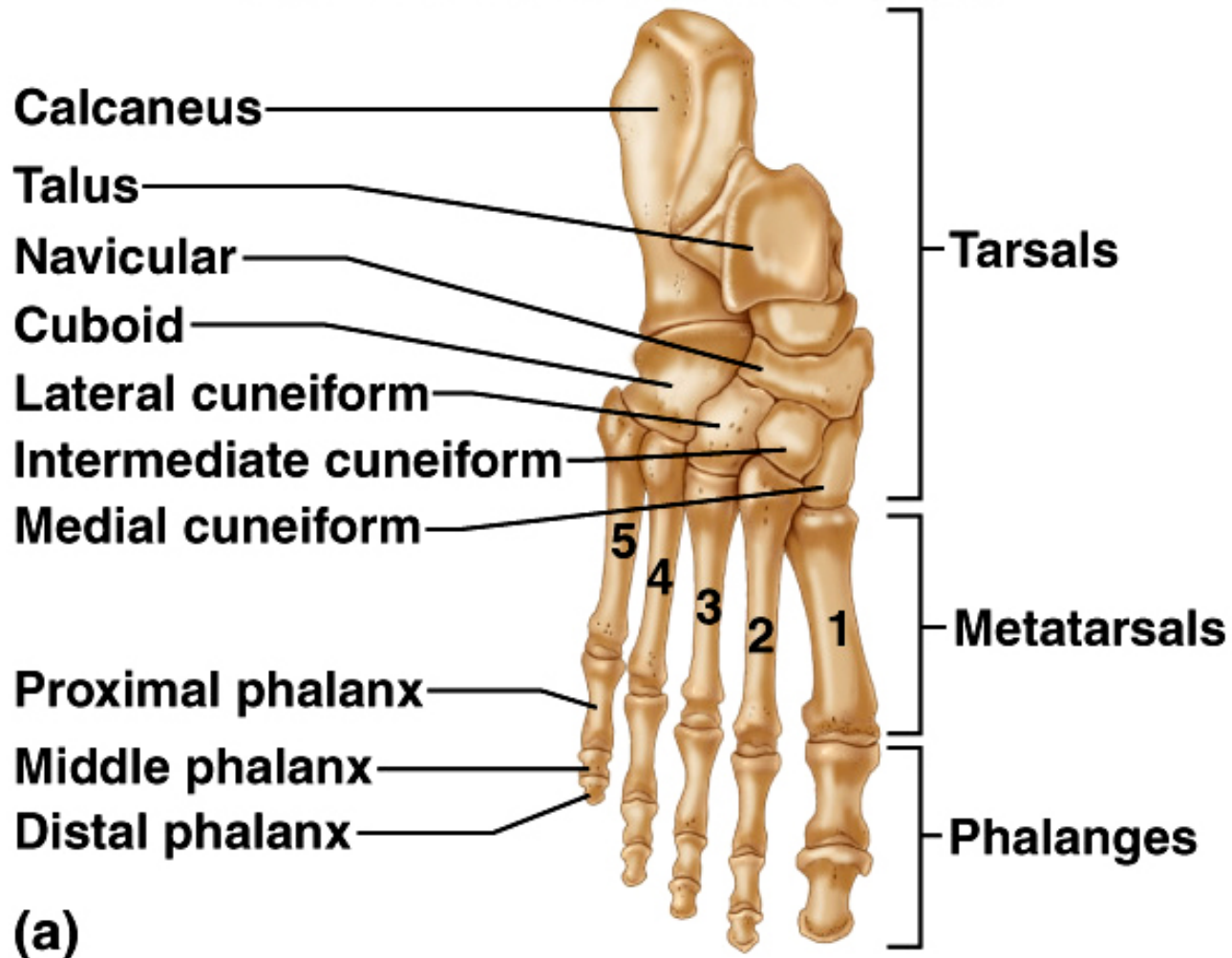
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(a)

# Ankle and Foot

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# X-ray photograph of the foot

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(b)

# Life-Span Changes

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- **decrease in height at about age 30**
- **calcium levels fall**
- **bones become brittle**
- **osteoclasts outnumber osteoblasts**
- **spongy bone weakens before compact bone**
- **bone loss rapid in menopausal women**
- **hip fractures common**
- **vertebral compression fractures common**





# Clinical Application

## Types of Fractures

- green stick
- fissured
- comminuted
- transverse
- oblique
- spiral

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**A greenstick fracture is incomplete, and the break occurs on the convex surface of the bend in the bone.**



**A fissured fracture involves an incomplete longitudinal break.**



**A comminuted fracture is complete and fragments the bone.**



**A transverse fracture is complete, and the break occurs at a right angle to the axis of the bone.**



**An oblique fracture occurs at an angle other than a right angle to the axis of the bone.**



**A spiral fracture is caused by twisting a bone excessively.**



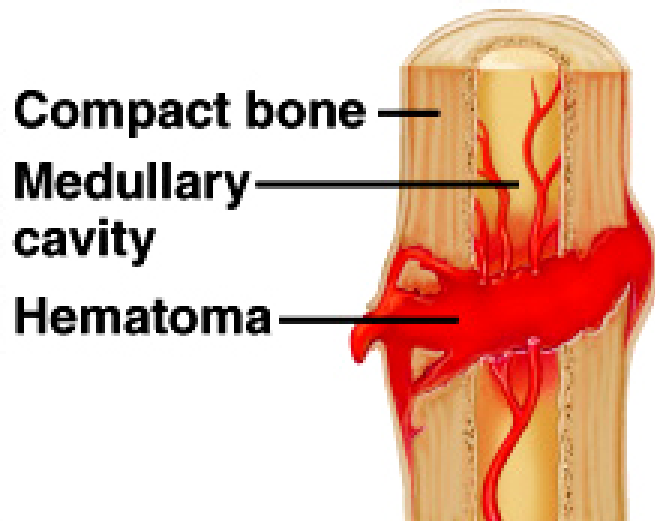
**Shoulder Spica** - A cast of fiber glass or plaster that includes the entire torso and an entire arm. Used to treat fractures of the humerus or extreme fractures of the shoulder bones.



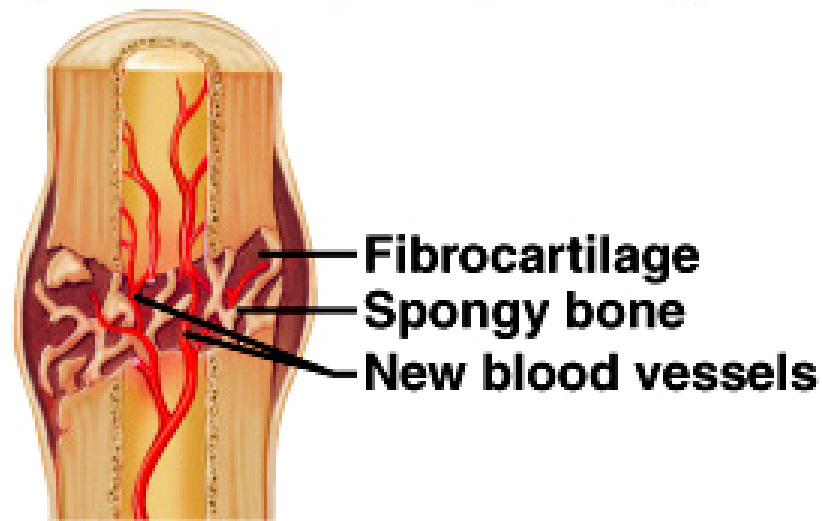
*Spica – Origin L, an ear, as of corn. A kind of bandage passing, by successive turns and crosses, from an extremity to the trunk; so called from its resemblance to a spike of a barley.*

**X-radiograph of a broken humerus**

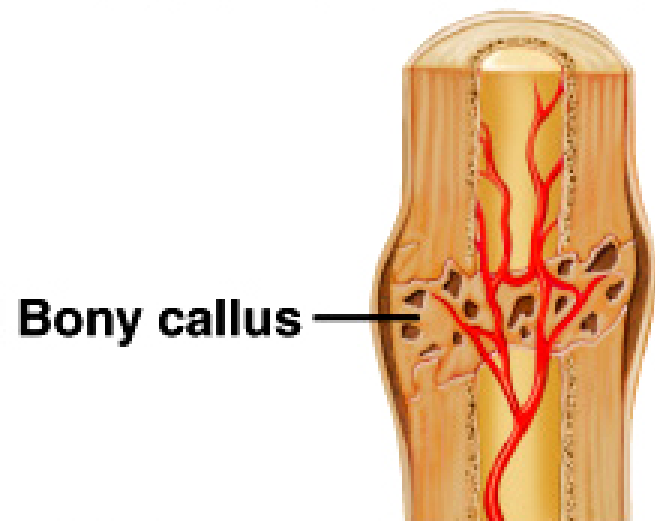




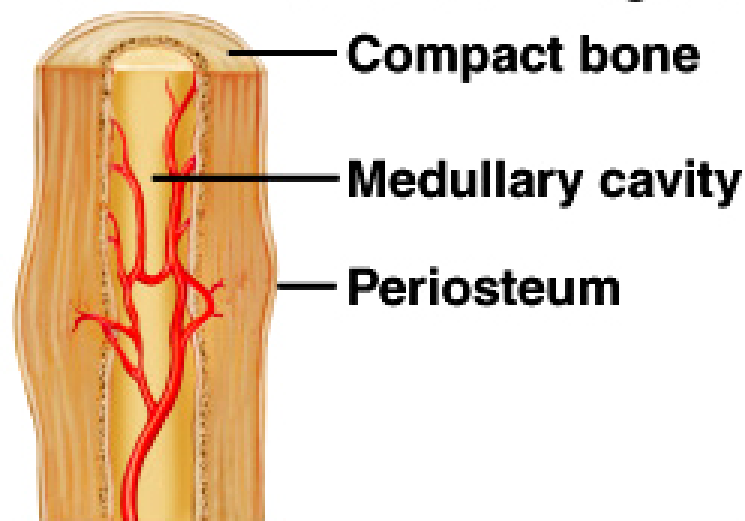
**(a) Blood escapes from ruptured blood vessels and forms a hematoma.**



**(b) Spongy bone forms in regions close to developing blood vessels, and fibrocartilage forms in more distant regions.**



**(c) A bony callus replaces fibrocartilage.**



**(d) Osteoclasts remove excess bony tissue, restoring new bone structure much like the original.**

TABLE 7.13

## Reasons for Falls Among the Elderly

Overall frailty

Decreased muscle strength

Decreased coordination

Side effects of medication

Slowed reaction time due to stiffening joints

Poor vision and/or hearing

Disease (cancer, infection, arthritis)

# Clinical Terms Related to the Skeletal System

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- Review terms in left column on page 232 in the textbook.

