

Tuesday 6th July

LO: Comprehension

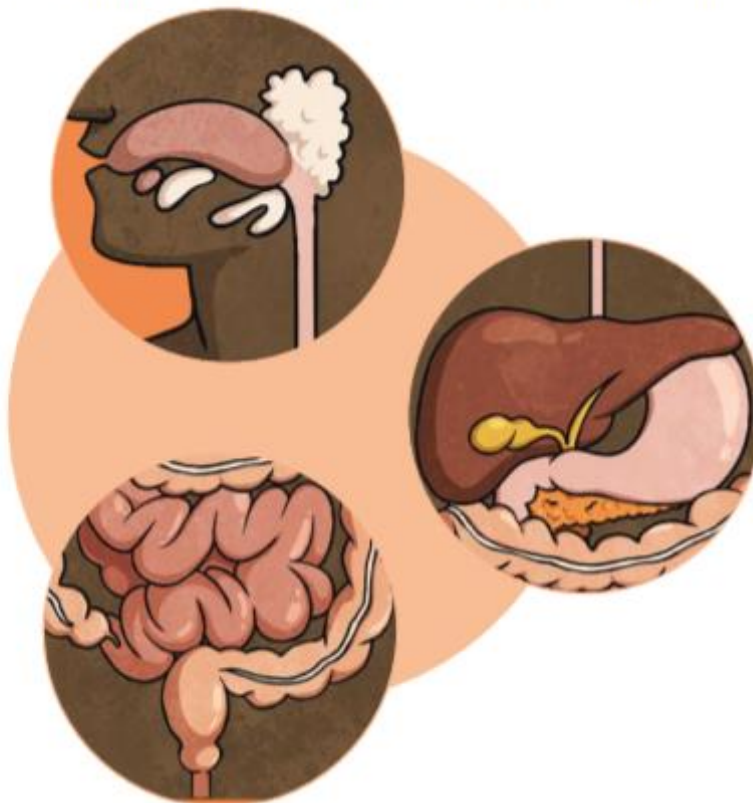
At the Stomach

When the chewed-up and softened food arrives in the stomach (which is a stretchy sack shaped like a letter 'J'), it is mixed with acid and enzymes (pronounced: en-zymes) that break the food down. Once it's broken down, it looks a bit like porridge- it is a substance called 'chyme'. The stomach juices also help to kill any bad bacteria that might be in the food, which could potentially make you ill.

After the Stomach

The next part of the journey for your food (which doesn't look like food anymore) is through the small intestine. It's here that all the goodness is taken out of the food, which goes off to different places in the body for you to use.

When the small intestine has done its job of getting all the goodness out of the food, all the material that is unwanted goes into the large intestine. Then, it makes its way out of the body as poo at the end of the large intestine.



1. What do the acid and enzymes in the stomach do ?
2. What is the porridge like substance the food is broken down to in the stomach called ?
3. Why might the stomach juices need to kill bacteria ?
4. Find and copy an example of punctuation for parenthesis.
5. What do you think the author means when they use the word 'goodness' ?