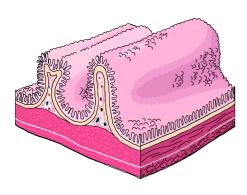




The small intestine is designed to continue the digestion of food from the stomach. It then passes the tiny food molecules to the bloodstream.



Labels

Villus Capillary network Lacteal Epithelial cells **Artery** Vein Lymphatic vessel Muscle Small intestine

Large intestine

Key Words

Vitamins Duodenum Jejunum Minerals Ileum **Proteins** Carbohydrates Epithelium Absorption Fats

Pancreatic juice Fibre

Electrolytes Bile

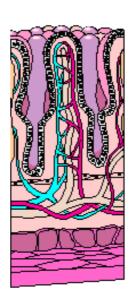
Enzymes

Research Ideas

- How long is the human intestine?
- Which substances are digested in the small intestine?
- How does absorption into the blood take place?
- What types of food are not absorbed into the blood?
- How is cancer of the intestine treated?

Advanced Research

- How is food moved along the small intestine?
- What is the function of 'intestinal juice'?
- How is the surface area of the small intestine increased?
- Find out about some diseases of the small intestine.



Presentation Ideas

Design a wall display with diagrams and facts. Make sure your titles are big and bold, and that your work is as neat as possible.

Give a talk to your class. Prepare some diagrams (maybe on overheads) to help illustrate your presentation.

Internet Search Terms

(we recommend "google.com")

- "small intestine" + length
- "small intestine" + function
- "small intestine" + cancer
- intestine + disease
- intestine + fats + protein

Websites

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