## **Respiratory System**



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What organs make up your Respiratory System?



What do your lungs look like?





 Signal from the <u>Medulla oblongata</u> sends signals to the two muscle groups (intercostal and diaphragm) using periphery nerves



#### **3 types of respiration**

External Respiration

Oxygen goes from lung into blood, and CO<sub>2</sub> goes from blood into lungs (and out) Internal Respiration

The movement of oxygen from your blood vessels into your body cells and CO<sub>2</sub> out of the body cell Cellular Respiration

The use of oxygen and glucose inside your cell to create ATP for energy

2. The medulla oblongata sends a nerve impulse down the spinal cord to the phrenic nerve (to diaphragm) and the intercostal nerve (to ribs)





3. The diaphragm contracts moving the DOWN (straightens). The intercostal muscles (rib muscles) contract to move the ribs up and out. Inhalation is active (needs stimulation)



### What do you notice? What do you wonder?



4. This causes a **larger volume** in the thoracic cavity which **lowers the pressure**. Air rushes in via the air passage.

• The lungs fill with air until the <u>stretch</u> <u>receptors</u> of the alveoli indicate that they are full.





 Gases move from a high concentration to a lower concentration

O<sub>2</sub> to bloodstream

• CO<sub>2</sub> to alveoli

### What do you **notice**? What do you **wonder**?



### **Ventilation: Quiet Breathing**

Inspiration	Expiration
Diaphragm and/or external intercostal muscles contract	Diaphragm and external intercostal muscles relax and lungs recoil
Thoracic volume increases	Thoracic volume decreases
Intrapleural pressure decreases	Intrapleural pressure increases
Lungs expand into lower pressure thoracic (pleural) cavity	Lungs compressed by increased pressure in thoracic (pleural cavity)
Intrapulmonary pressure decreases	Intrapulmonary pressure increases
Air moves in	Air moves out
	Expiration is normally passive

#### **Thoracic Cavity Model**



In partners, make a model of the thoracic cavity

How does the movement of the diaphragm impact the lungs?

## What is coming in and out? Gas Exchange

Gas	Inhaled	Exhaled
Oxygen	21%	15%
Carbon Dioxide	0.04%	4%
Water	1.3%	6%

What do you notice?

What do you wonder about?

#### **Pleura and pleural fluid functions**

- 1. Reduces friction
  - Pleurisy dry, inflamed pleurae
- 2. Creation of pressure gradient

Pressure in cavity < atmospheric pressure; aids lung inflation

3. Compartmentalization

Pleurae, mediastinum, pericardium separate; prevent infection from spreading easily to neighboring organs

**Pleural cavity** 



#### **Pneumothorax**

using a chest tube



Often referred to as a collapsed lung

Air collects between lung and visceral pleura

Have to go into chase and remove trapped air, lung will be able to re-inflate

#### Pleurisy



- Fluid gets trapped between visceral and parietal pleura
- Challenging to breathe
- Can lead to infections

# What is being monitored in your breathing?

carbonic anhydrase  $CO_2 + H_2O \implies H_2CO_3 \implies HCO_3^- + H^+$ 

carbon dioxide + water

carbonic acid

bicarbonate + hydrogen ion

- Blood acidity is monitored by:
  - Chemoreceptors
    - Aortic bodies (in aorta) and carotid bodies (in carotid artery)
    - Spend a chemical message to medulla oblongata about blood acidity

#### Chemoreceptors

- A rise in CO<sub>2</sub> in blood will lower pH (become more acidic)
- This will be sensed by aortic bodies and carotid bodies
- Message sent to M.O.
- Will cause "exhalation" to remove CO<sub>2</sub>



#### **Issues with Blood pH**

- The blood needs pH to be constant ~7.4
- What can happen?
  - Alkalosis- Result of hyperventilation
    - High pH ..... decrease in H<sup>+</sup>
    - Dizziness and twitching
  - Acidosis- Hypoventilation
    - Increase in H<sup>+</sup>
    - Coma and die
    - Can also bind to hemoglobin
    - Decrease in HHb (reduced hemoglin)

#### Pneumonia

#### Accumulation of fluid in the alveoli

Does not allow gases to move across from alveoli to capillaries

Leads to bacterial infection in the lungs



COVID



ACE-2 proteins are common in the upper throat and lower lungs

the human body







# What volume of air can your lungs handle?



#### **Respiratory Exploration**

- What is your breathing rate?
  - Count how many breaths you take in a minute when:
    - Lying down
    - Sitting
    - Standing
    - 3 minutes moderate exercise (squats, jumping jacks, etc)
    - 3 minutes intense exercise (sprinting, burpees, etc)



#### Watch for homework:

