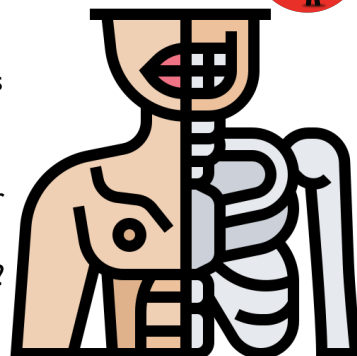




# QUICK COMPREHENSION - SKELETONS



From the top of our skulls to the phalanges in our toes, the bones in our body make up our skeleton. There are 206 bones in the human body. When they are born, babies have around 300 bones in their body. These eventually fuse (grow together) to make the 206 bones that adults have. The smallest bone in your body is the 'stirrup' bone inside your ear – it's about one-quarter of a centimetre long. The longest bone in your body is called the femur, in your thigh. Our hands are made up of 27 different bones. Did you know that humans and giraffes have the same number of bones in their necks? Obviously, giraffes' bones are much longer than ours, though!



**Five W's** - Write the correct answer in the box.

How many bones are there in the human body?	
Where is the longest bone in your body?	
What is the name of the smallest bone in your body?	
How many bones do babies have when they are born?	

**Matching** - Draw lines to join the information.

fuse	27
Longest bone	femur
Bones in our hands	join together

**True or False** - Write T (True) or F (False).

Adults have 206 bones	
The smallest bone is in your thigh	
Giraffes have more neck bones than humans	
Babies have around 500 bones in their bodies	

**Fill in the Gap** - Write the missing word from the text.

From the top of our \_\_\_\_\_ to the phalanges in our toes, the bones in our body make up our skeleton.

These eventually \_\_\_\_\_ (grow together) to make the 206 bones that adults have.

The \_\_\_\_\_ bone in your body is called the femur, in your thigh.

Obviously, giraffes' bones are much \_\_\_\_\_ than ours, though!

**Multiple Choice** - How long is the 'stirrup' bone? (Circle the correct answer)

One-quarter of a meter	Half a metre	Half a centimetre	One-quarter of a centimetre
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**Sequence in Order** - In what order do these appear in the text? (Write 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the smaller boxes)

femur		phalanges		ear		fuse	
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**Circle the Word** - Circle the word that means in a way that is easily perceived or understood; clearly.

Obviously, giraffes' bones are much longer than ours, though!

**Find and Copy** - Write the word that suggests it takes some time for the bones to fuse together.

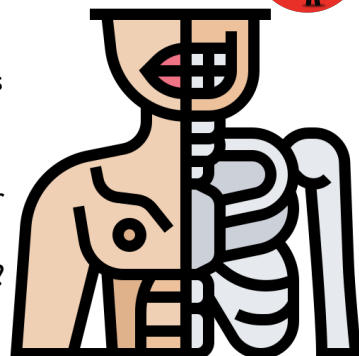
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# QUICK COMPREHENSION - ANSWERS



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**Five W's** - Write the correct answer in the box.

How many bones are there in the human body?	206
Where is the longest bone in your body?	In your thigh
What is the name of the smallest bone in your body?	Stirrup bone
How many bones do babies have when they are born?	Around 300

**Matching** - Draw lines to join the information.

fuse		27
Longest bone		femur
Bones in our hands		join together

**True or False** - Write T (True) or F (False).

Adults have 206 bones	T
The smallest bone is in your thigh	F
Giraffes have more neck bones than humans	F
Babies have around 500 bones in their bodies	F

**Fill in the Gap** - Write the missing word from the text.

From the top of our **skulls** to the phalanges in our toes, the bones in our body make up our skeleton.

These eventually **fuse** (grow together) to make the 206 bones that adults have.

The **longest** bone in your body is called the femur, in your thigh.

Obviously, giraffes' bones are much **longer** than ours, though!

**Multiple Choice** - How long is the 'stirrup' bone? (Circle the correct answer)

One-quarter of a metre

Half a metre

Half a centimetre

One-quarter of a centimetre

**Sequence in Order** In what order do these appear in the text? (Write 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the smaller boxes)

femur

1

phalanges

2

ear

3

fuse

4

**Circle the Word** - Circle the word that means in a way that is easily perceived or understood; clearly.

Obviously, giraffes' bones are much longer than ours, though!

**Find and Copy** - Write the word that suggests it takes some time for the bones to fuse together.

These **eventually** fuse (grow together) to make the 206 bones that adults have.

eventually