

UNIT 1: ANATOMY OF THE HUMAN BODY (continued)

Key Concepts:

Students are given the opportunity to discuss the human body with their peers and the teacher.

Term	Definition
bone	rigid structure of the body, semi-articulated
cartilage	soft connective tissue, found between joints, allows for flexibility
ligament	rigid part of the connective tissue, connecting bones and cartilage
muscle	soft tissue that allows for movement, contracts and relaxes to move the body
nerve	transmits electrical impulses throughout the body
skin	largest organ of the body, protects the body from the environment
blood	fluid that carries oxygen and nutrients to the cells and removes waste
digestion	process of breaking down food into smaller particles that can be absorbed by the body
excretion	removal of waste products from the body
reproduction	process of creating new organisms from existing ones
cell	basic unit of life, smallest unit of structure and function
organ	group of tissues that work together to perform a specific function
system	group of organs that work together to perform a specific function
organism	individual living entity, capable of growth, development and reproduction