

Your body is a very clever and complicated thing! We care about houses, gardens and cars, and you need to care about your body,



Later, some of the bones grow together, so adults

have about 206 bones.

too. You must eat a healthy diet, walk and exercise to keep fit. Your bones¹, muscles² and skin will work³ well then.

Bones and joints

You have about 206 bones in your body. They give you structure, protect⁴ some organs and help you move. All these bones make your skeleton. Joints⁵, for example elbows, knees or shoulders, connect bones. You have about 360 joints.

Muscles

Muscles cover⁶ the skeleton and organs.
There are about 600 muscles in your body.

Some muscles help us run, walk and sit, some help us breathe⁷ and eat. Your heart is also a muscle, and it pumps blood⁸ through your body.

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Skin

All your organs, bones and muscles are "packed9" in your skin. It protects you from chemicals, bacteria and temperature. Skin is the largest* organ in your body. An adult¹0 has about 2m² of skin! Skin is also pretty heavy¹¹. It makes up 16% of your body weight¹².

So, how heavy is YOUR skin?

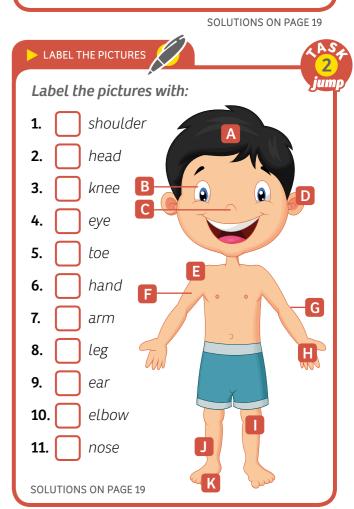
LANGUAGE NOTE

* large – larger – **the largest**

VOCABULARY

- ¹ bone [bəʊn] kost
- ² muscle ['mʌsl] sval
- ³ will work [wil w3:k]
- bude fungovat
- bude fullgovat
- ⁴ to protect [prəˈtekt] chránit
- ⁵ **joint** [dʒɔɪnt] kloub
- ⁶ to cover ['kʌvə] pokrývat
- ⁷ **to breathe** [bri:ð] dýchat
- ⁸ **blood** [blʌd] krev
- ⁹ packed [pækt] zabalený
- ¹⁰ **adult** [ˈædʌlt] dospělý
- ¹¹ **heavy** ['hevi] těžký
- ¹² weight [weit] hmotnost





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