

**Chapter 20**

**Openstax: Chapter 19**

**The Heart**

**Chapter 20 Learning Outcomes**

**After completing Chapter 20, you will be able to:**

1. Identify and describe the interior and exterior anatomy of the heart.
2. Describe the path of blood through the heart and out of the heart.
3. Explain the cardiac conduction system.
4. Describe the process and purpose of an electrocardiogram.
5. Explain the cardiac cycle.
6. Calculate cardiac output and explain factors that can influence heart rate and stroke volume.

**Learning Outcome 1: Identify and describe the interior and exterior anatomy of the heart.**

***Martini: 20-1 The Heart, pg. 686***

***Openstax: 19.1 Heart Anatomy, pg. 788***

**Fun Fact:** the heart is formed and begins to beat in the fourth week of gestation.

1. What is the function of the heart?

Functions as \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

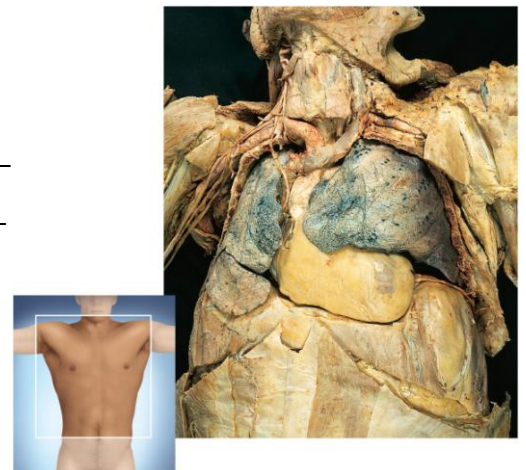
**Location of the Heart**

1. Name the body cavity where the heart is located: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

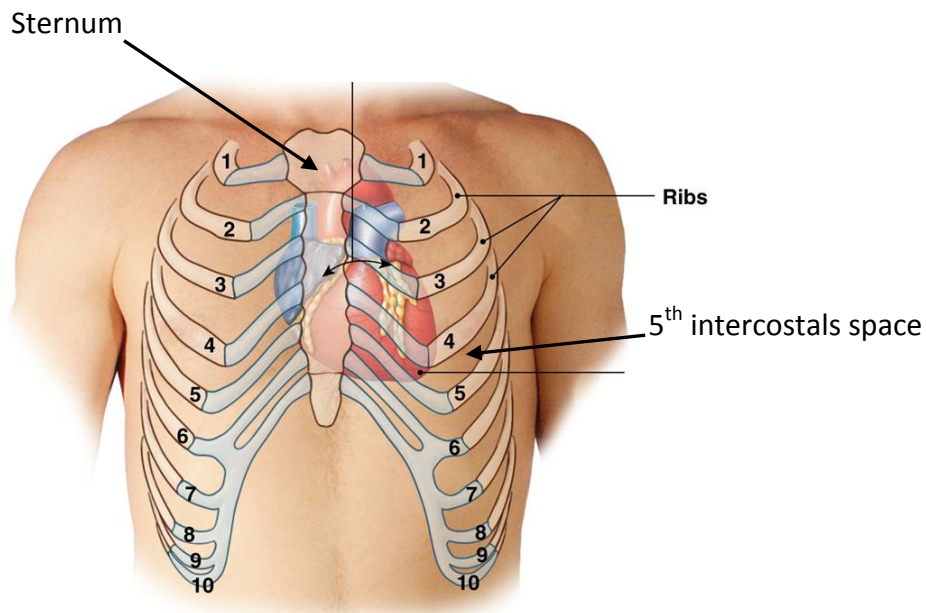
1a. The heart is bordered laterally by the \_\_\_\_\_

1b. The heart is directly posterior to the \_\_\_\_\_

1c. About two-thirds of the heart lies \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_



2. Label in the figure below: the *base* of the heart, the *apex* of the heart AND describe each one (include the location of each with respect to the ribs).



Martini, Fig. 20-2

Openstax, Fig. 19.2

3. The heart size varies with body size:

An average adult's heart is: \_\_\_\_\_ cm long ( \_\_\_\_ in)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ cm wide ( \_\_\_\_ in)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ cm thick ( \_\_\_\_ in)

4. Average mass of the adult heart:

Female's heart: \_\_\_\_\_ grams ( \_\_\_\_ oz)  
 Male's heart: \_\_\_\_\_ grams ( \_\_\_\_ oz)

### The Pericardium

1. Name the loose-fitting sac surrounding the heart: \_\_\_\_\_

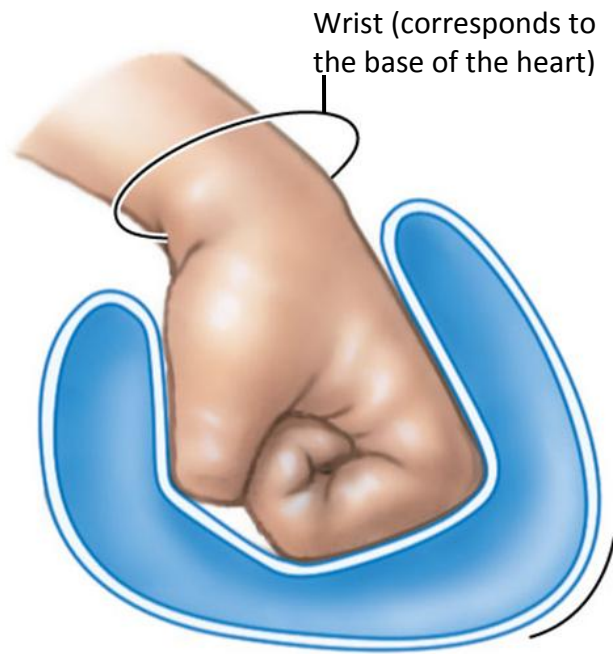
2. The pericardium is made of two layers:

**LABEL:**  
visceral pericardium  
(epicardium) and  
parietal pericardium

Balloon = pericardium  
Closed Fist = heart  
Wrist = base of heart

Martini: Fig. 20.2(c)

Openstax: Fig. 19.5



3. The inner layer of the pericardium is called \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** The visceral pericardium is also called the *epicardium*  
The visceral pericardium (epicardium) covers the heart!

4. At the base of the heart, the visceral pericardium turns back upon itself to form the outer layer of the pericardium: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Name the cavity found between the visceral pericardium and parietal pericardium:  
\_\_\_\_\_

5a) What does the pericardial cavity contain? 15-50 mL of \_\_\_\_\_ fluid.

What is the function of the *pericardial fluid*? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

6. Inflammation (caused by infection) of the pericardium is called \_\_\_\_\_

**Layers of the Heart Wall**

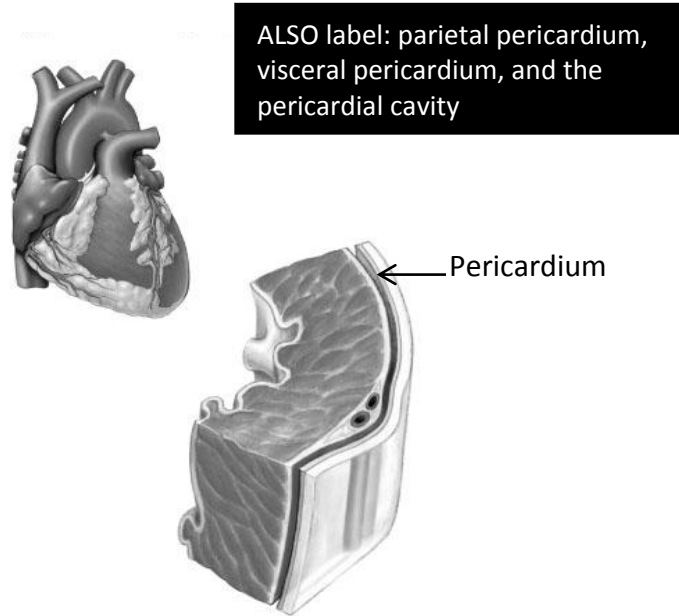
1. The wall of the heart has **3** distinct layers:

1. outer layer \_\_\_\_\_
2. middle layer \_\_\_\_\_
3. inner layer \_\_\_\_\_

**LABEL** the 3 layers of the heart wall.

Martini: Fig. 20-4

Openstax: Fig. 19.5



**2. Fill in Table 1: The Heart Wall**

| Layer  | Composition (tissue type/s) | Function |
|--|-----------------------------|----------|
| <b>Outermost Layer:</b><br><u>Epicardium</u><br>(same as visceral pericardium) |                             |          |
| <b>Middle Layer:</b><br><u>Myocardium</u><br>95% of the heart wall             |                             |          |
| <b>Innermost Layer:</b><br><u>Endocardium</u>                                  |                             |          |

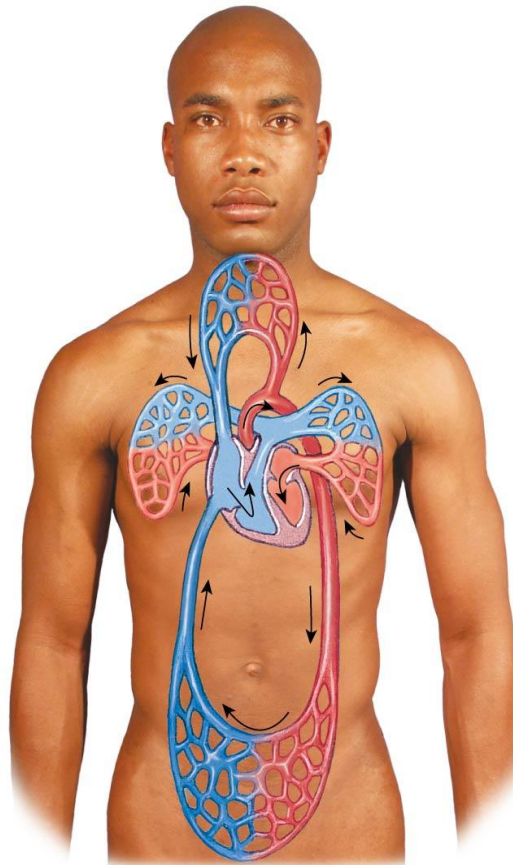


**Review About The Heart Wall:**

1. Choose One: Which of the heart wall layers is the visceral pericardium?  
 a) myocardium      b) endocardium      c) epicardium
2. Which of the heart wall layers lines all the heart chambers and the heart valves?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
3. Which of the heart wall layers is also continuous with the inner lining of the blood vessels?  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**Chambers of the Heart**

1. The heart has four hollow chambers (cavities):



Atrium = singular    Atria = plural

2. Describe the general function of atria:

**Right Atrium:** receives **deoxygenated blood** returning from \_\_\_\_\_

**Left Atrium:** receives **oxygenated blood** returning from \_\_\_\_\_

3. Describe the general function of ventricles:

**Right Ventricle:** pumps **deoxygenated blood** out of the heart to \_\_\_\_\_

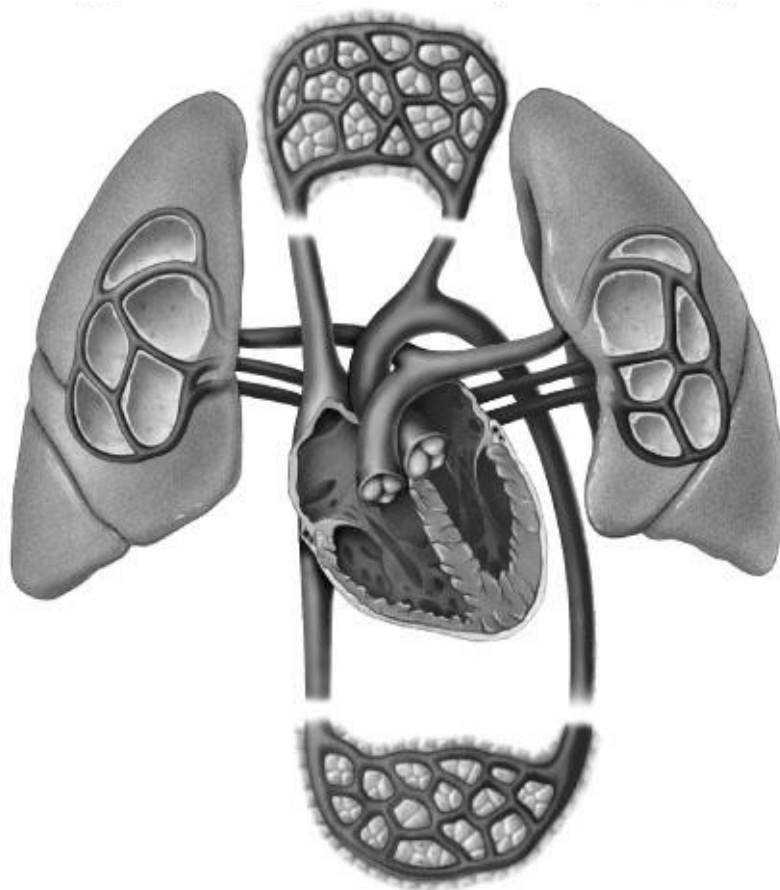
**Left Ventricle:** pumps **oxygenated blood** out of the heart to \_\_\_\_\_

?

Which ventricle has the thickest myocardium? \_\_\_\_\_

**WHY** the ventricle that you named above has the thickest myocardium? (

**REVIEW:** label the four chambers of the heart



## Internal Anatomy and Organization

1. The internal walls separating the heart chambers are:

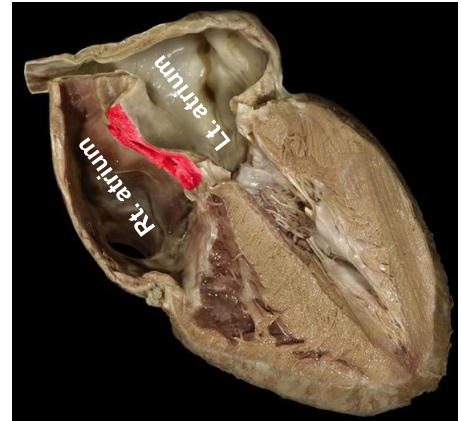
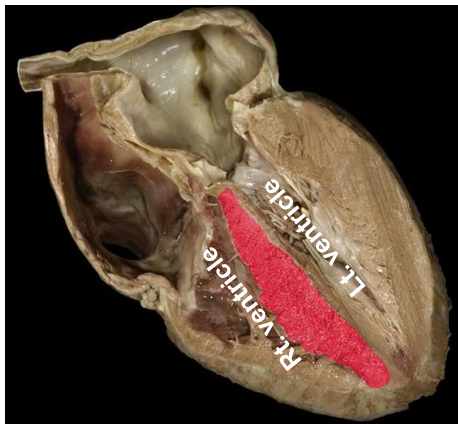
Martini: Fig. 20-6

Openstax: Fig. 19.9

1a. Describe the interatrial septum:

Muscular wall separating \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

1b. Describe the interventricular septum



Muscular wall separating

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Heart Valves

1. Describe the general function of the heart valves:

2. List the 4 heart valves:

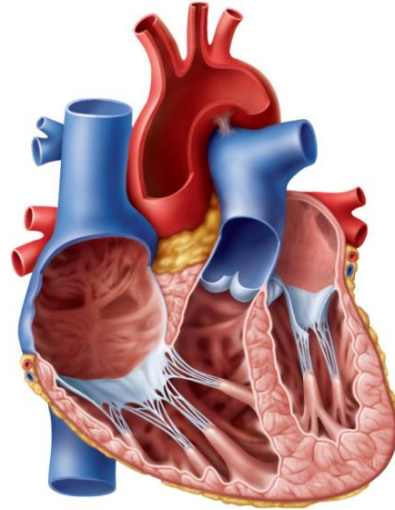
1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_



3. Describe the function and location for each heart valve:

**Tricuspid Valve**

3a. Location of the tricuspid valve?



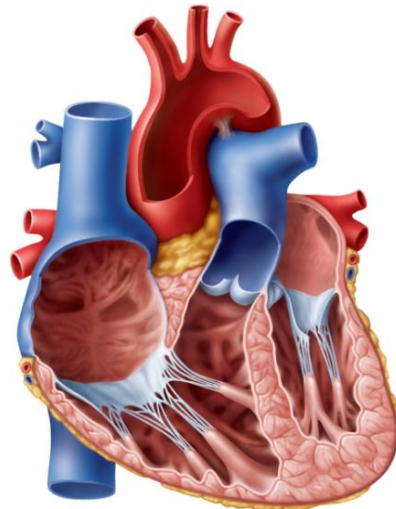
Label the tricuspid valve

3b. What is the function of the tricuspid valve?

Prevents return of deoxygenated blood from \_\_\_\_\_  
to the \_\_\_\_\_ when the right ventricle contracts

**Pulmonary Valve**

3c. Location of the pulmonary valve?



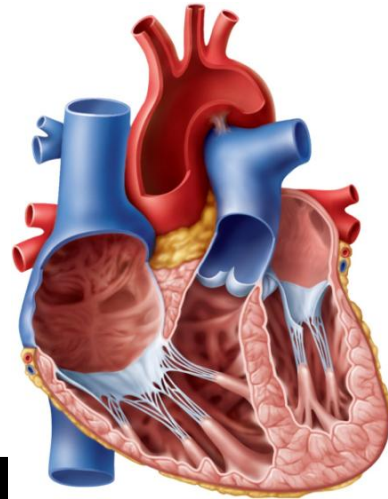
Label the pulmonary valve

3d. What is the function of the pulmonary valve? Prevents return of deoxygenated blood from \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ when the right ventricular relaxes.



**Bicuspid or Mitral Valve**

3e. Location of the bicuspid or mitral valve?



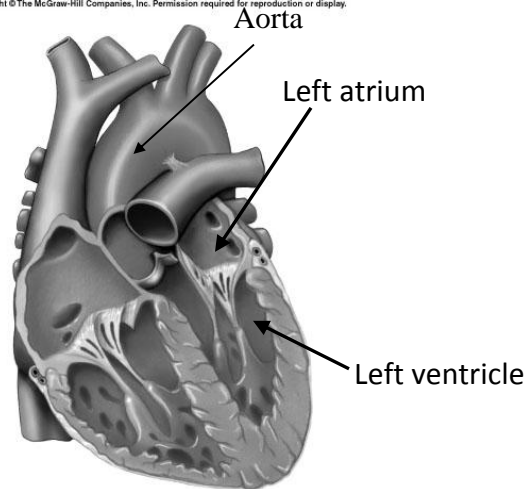
Label the bicuspid or mitral valve

3f. What is the function of the bicuspid (mitral) valve? Prevents return of oxygenated blood from \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ when the left ventricle contracts.

**Aortic Valve**

3g. Location of the aortic valve?

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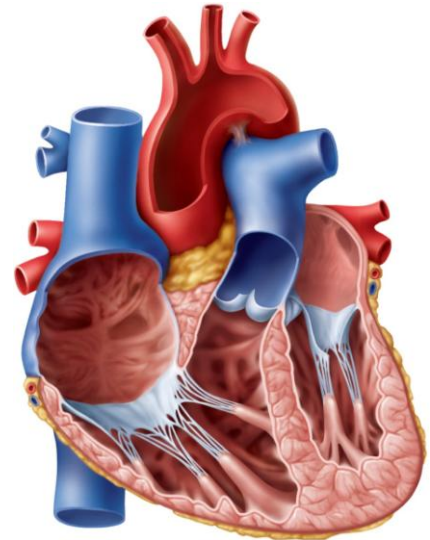
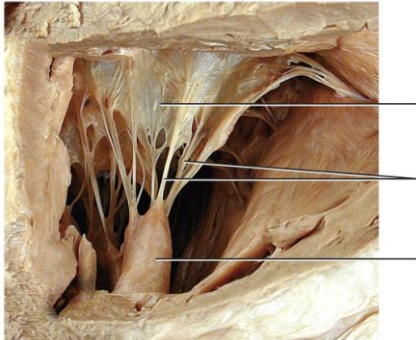
Label the aortic valve

(b)

3h. What is the function of the aortic valve? Prevents return of oxygenated blood from the \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ when the left ventricle relaxes.

4. Describe what are Chordae tendineae:

-Attach ONLY to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



Label the chordate tendineae

**Learning Outcome 2: Describe the path of blood through the heart and out of the heart.**

**Martini: Internal Anatomy & Organization, pg. 689 [See also Fig. 20-6(a)]**  
**Openstax: Chambers and Circulation through the heart, pg. 791**

1. There are two distinct but linked blood circulations in the human body:

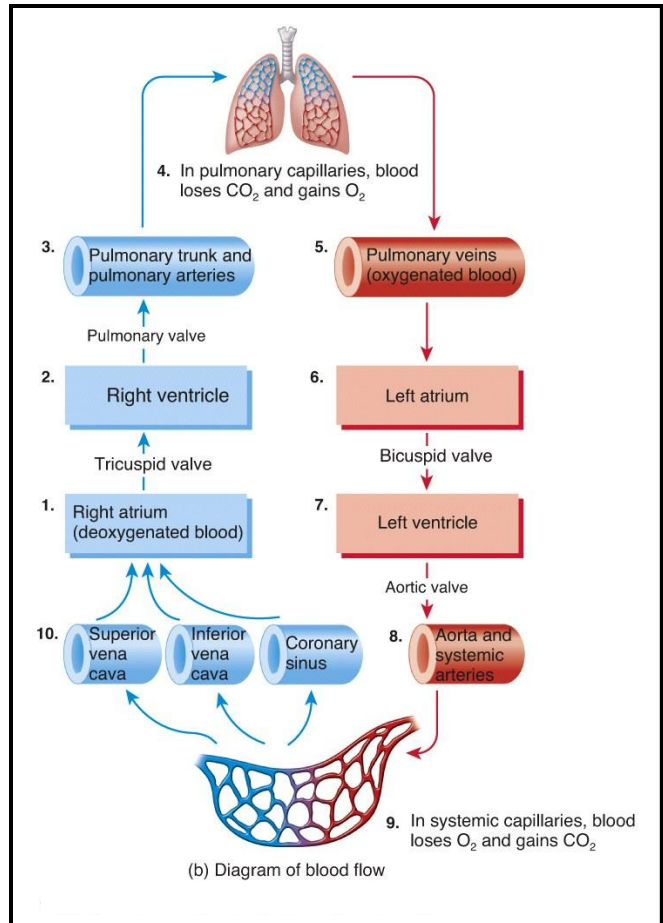
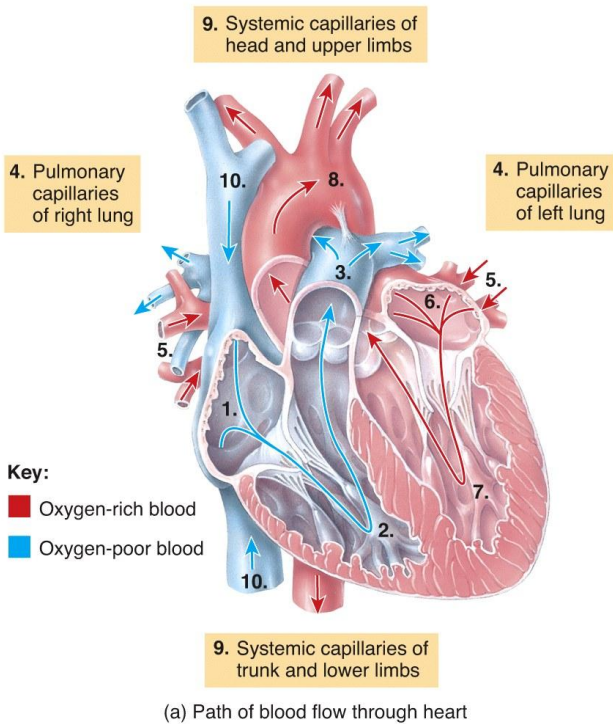
2. Describe the *pulmonary circulation*:

Transports \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Describe the *systemic circulation*:

Transports \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### 4. Circulation of Blood through the Heart



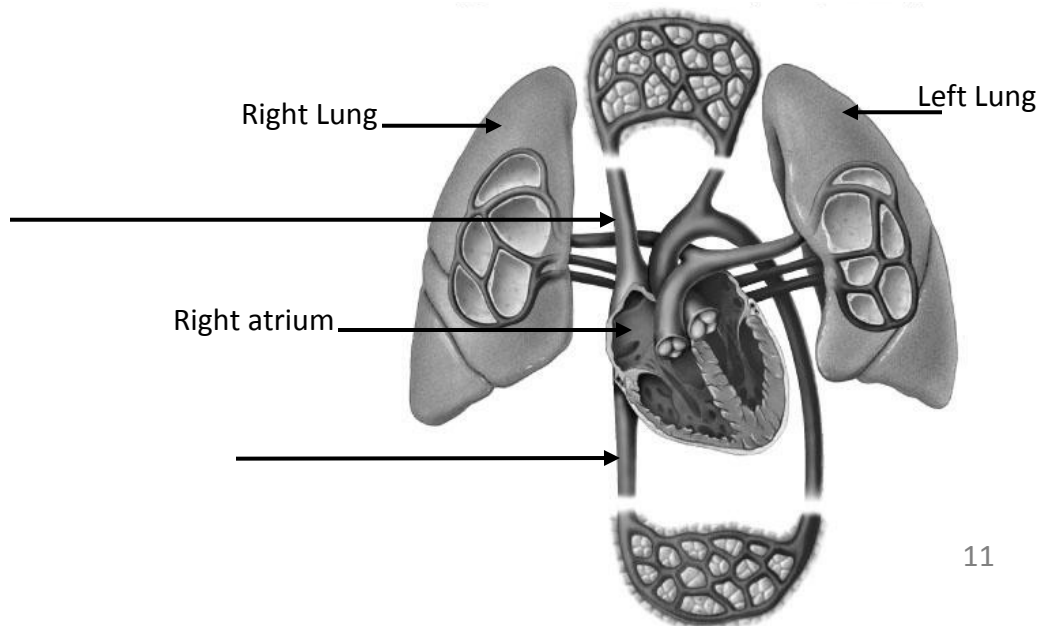
See: Martini: Fig 20-6

See Openstax: Fig 19.4

4a. **Deoxygenated blood** with high amounts of carbon dioxide reaches the right atrium through 2 large veins:

- A. \_\_\_\_\_  
 B. \_\_\_\_\_

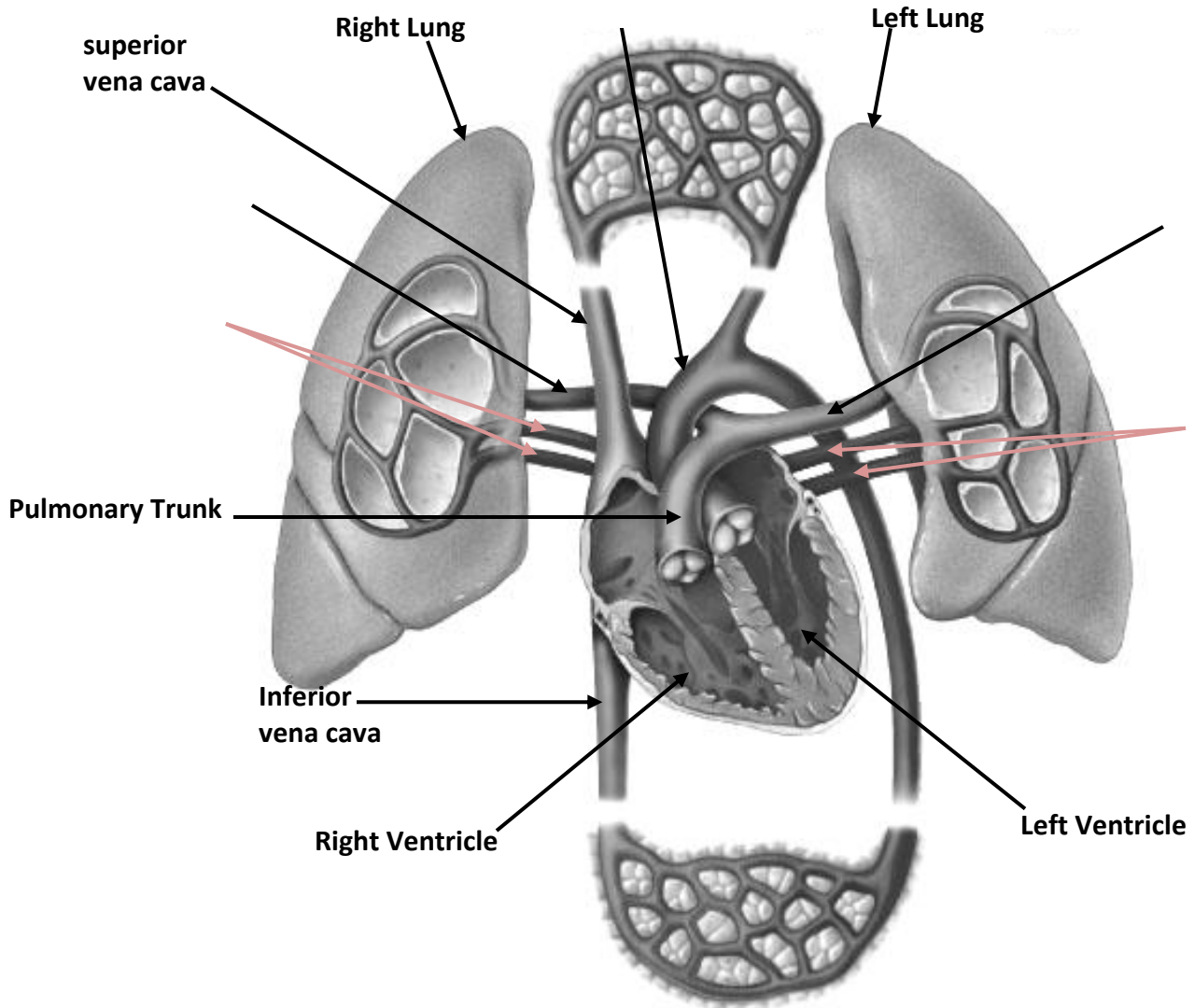
**NOTE:** Superior Vena Cava brings deoxygenated blood from upper body parts to the right atrium of the heart. Inferior Vena Cava brings deoxygenated blood from lower body parts to the right atrium of the heart.



**IN ADDITION**, a small vein from the myocardium also drains **deoxygenated blood** in the right atrium. Name this small vein: \_\_\_\_\_

**4b.** From the right atrium, **deoxygenated blood** flows to which heart chamber?

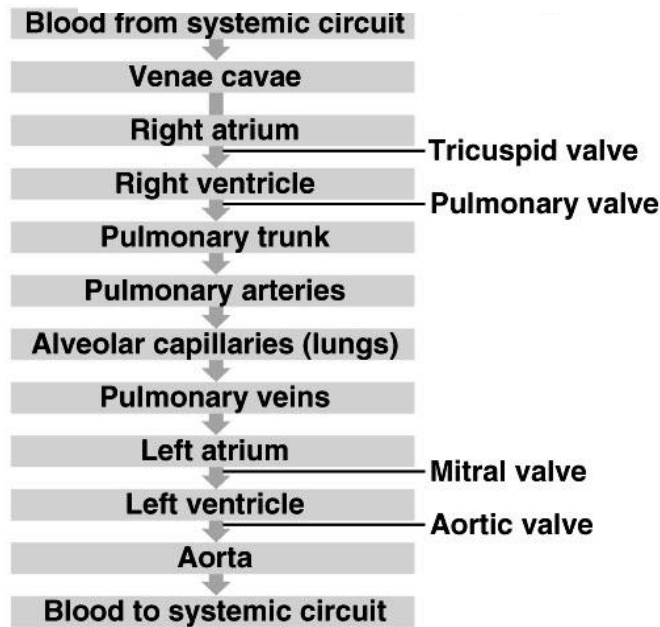
**4c.** Trace the path of blood from the right ventricle until it comes out of the heart through the aorta: Use the figure below to trace the path of blood through the heart:



**4d.** Blood that has been oxygenated at the lungs returns to the heart through the \_\_\_\_\_ veins. Name the heart chamber where pulmonary veins empty their oxygenated blood to: \_\_\_\_\_. **Oxygenated blood** then is pumped from the left atrium to the left \_\_\_\_\_.

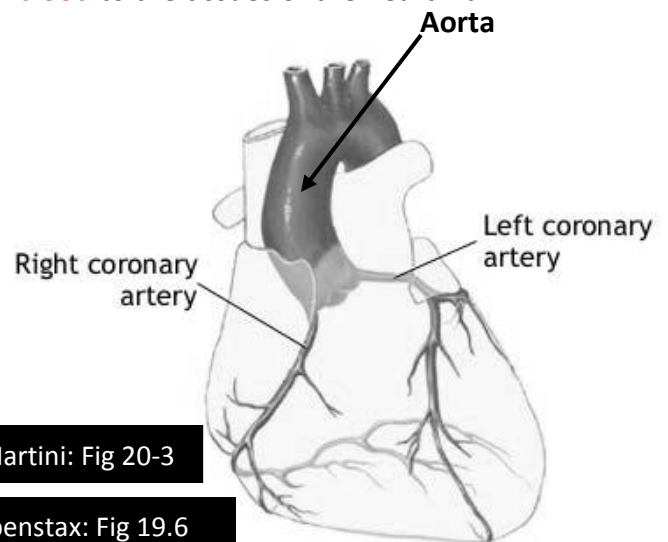
4e. When left ventricle fills with blood, it contracts to pump **oxygenated blood** out of the heart to the body through which blood vessel? \_\_\_\_\_

**Pathway of blood through the heart:** Review



**Coronary Circulation:** Martini, pg. 695    Openstax, pg. 805

1. What is the coronary circulation?
2. Name the two arteries supplying **oxygenated blood** to the tissues of the heart wall:



3. The coronary arteries are the first arteries branching from the \_\_\_\_\_

See: Martini: Fig 20-3

See Openstax: Fig 19.6



4. Describe the right coronary artery.

4a. follows the \_\_\_\_\_

4b. Inferior to the right atrium, the right coronary artery gives rise to one or more:

4c. The right coronary artery continues across the posterior surface of the heart to give rise to the:

\_\_\_\_\_

The posterior interventricular artery runs towards:

\_\_\_\_\_

4d. Areas of the heart receiving **oxygenated blood** from the right coronary artery:

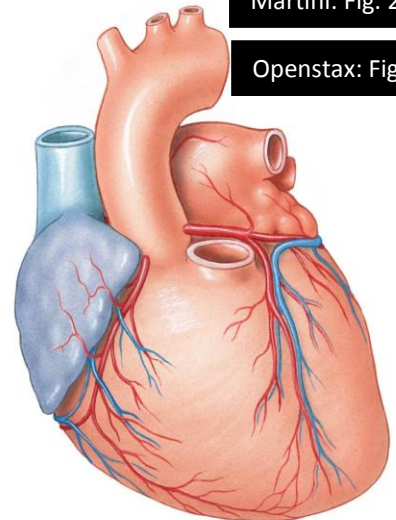
5. Describe the left coronary artery.

5a. Two main branches of left coronary artery:

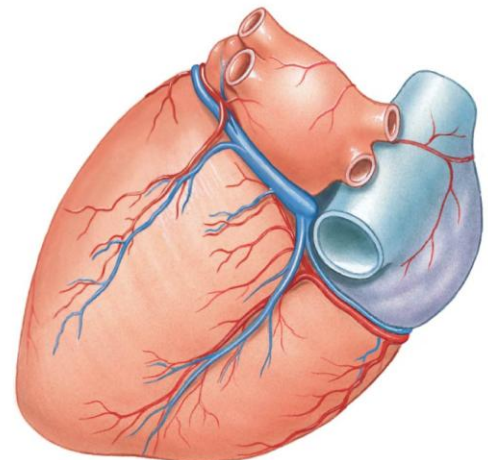
5b. The left coronary artery supplies blood to:

Martini: Fig. 20-9

Openstax: Fig. 19.15

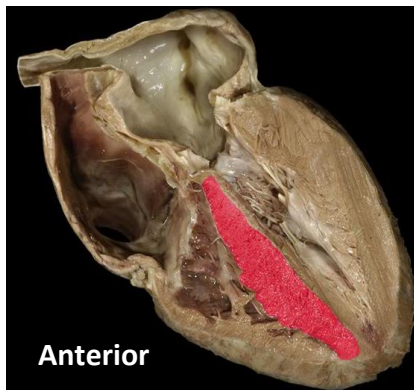


Anterior



Posterior

**REVIEW:** label the interventricular septum



Anterior

Interior view of the heart

**NOTE:** small branches from the anterior interventricular artery interconnect with small branches from the posterior interventricular artery forming: \_\_\_\_\_

An anastomosis is an area where \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**6. Cardiac Veins**

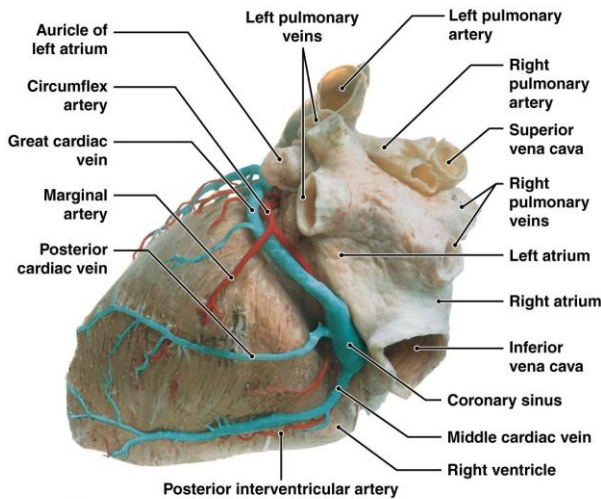
6a. begins on the anterior surface of ventricles along the \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

6b. Eventually flows along the \_\_\_\_\_

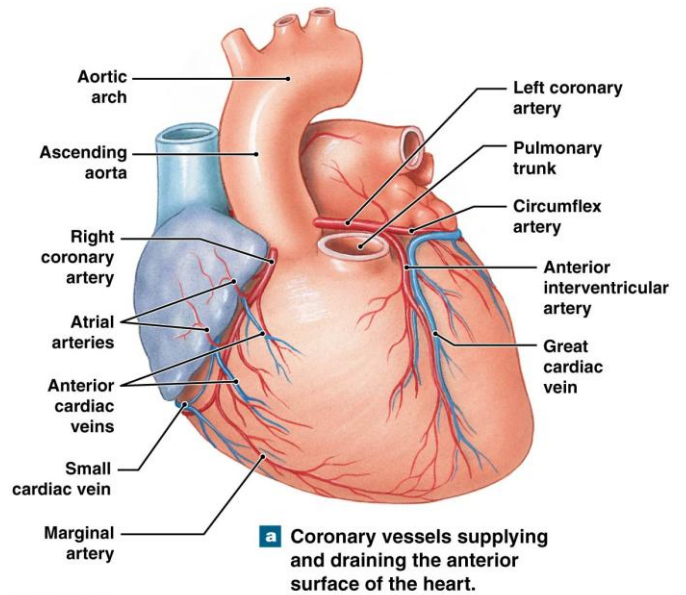
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



**c** A posterior view of the heart; the vessels have been injected with colored latex (liquid rubber).

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**a** Coronary vessels supplying and draining the anterior surface of the heart.

Martini: Fig. 20-9

Openstax: Fig. 19.15

6c. The coronary sinus empties deoxygenated blood directly in to the \_\_\_\_\_

6d. The great cardiac vein receives deoxygenated blood from \_\_\_\_\_

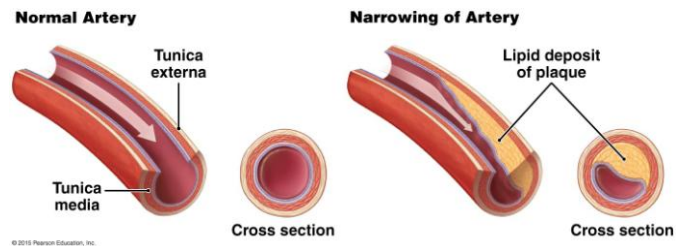
\_\_\_\_\_

**7. What is coronary artery disease (CAD)?**

7a. What causes CAD?

7b. One of the first symptoms of CAD is commonly \_\_\_\_\_

7c. What is myocardial infarction (MI) or heart attack?



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**Learning Outcome 3: Explain the cardiac conduction system.**

**Martini: The Conducting System, pg. 697**

**Openstax: Conducting System of the Heart, pg. 811**

1. Describe the cardiac contraction or \_\_\_\_\_:

- A \_\_\_\_\_ contraction of the heart
- The entire heart contracts in series:
  - First \_\_\_\_\_
  - Then \_\_\_\_\_
- The heart beats about \_\_\_\_\_

2. List the two types of cardiac muscle cells involved in a normal heart beat

3. Describe the conducting system of the heart.

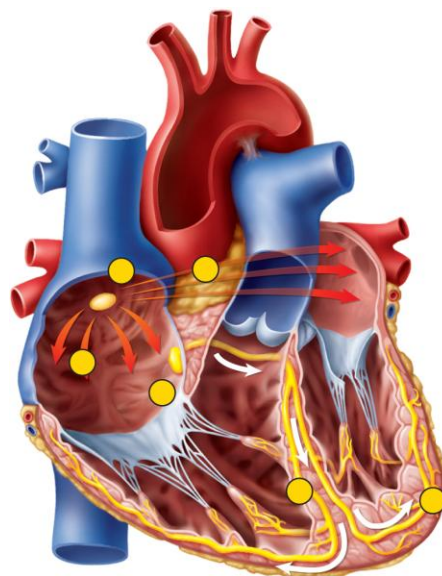
A system of specialized cardiac muscle cells that:

- start and distribute \_\_\_\_\_
- 

4. Name the **5** structures that make up the conduction system of the heart:

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.

**Label the Conducting System of the Heart:**



Martini: Fig. 20-11

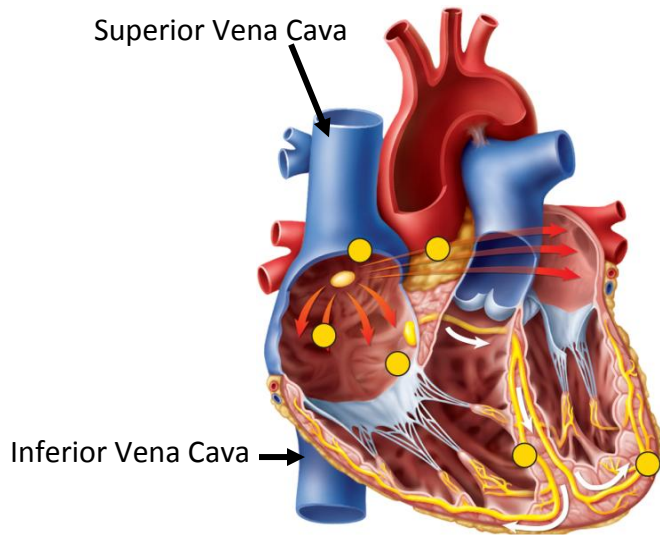
Openstax: Fig. 19.18

5. Describe each component of the conducting system of the heart.

**Sinoatrial (SA) Node**

Location:

Function of the SA node:



Label the SA node

SA node's nickname: \_\_\_\_\_

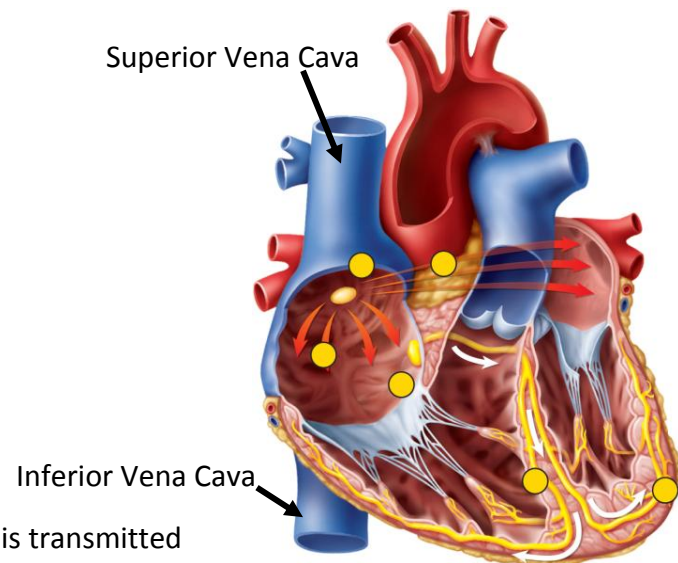
Arrival of the electrical signal from the SA node to the AV node takes about \_\_\_ msec

In **1 minute**, the SA node fires about 80-100 times per minute to initiate a heart beat each time. Therefore, there are about 80-100 heart beats per minute.

**Atrioventricular (AV) Node**

Location:

Function of the AV node:



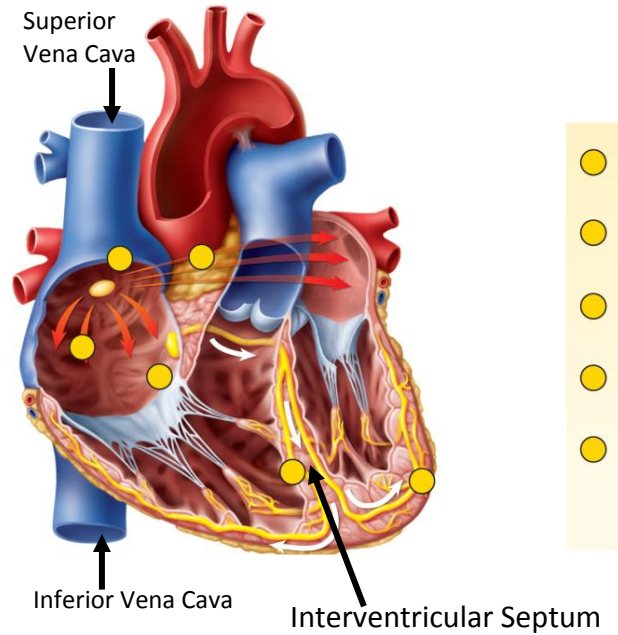
From the AV node, the cardiac impulse is transmitted to the AV bundle.

**Atrioventricular (AV) Bundle or Bundle of His**

Location:

AV Bundle divides into two \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Function of AV bundle and AV bundle branches:



**Purkinje Fibers**

Location:

Function of Purkinje fibers:

The total time elapsed from the beginning of the electrical signal at the SA node until full contraction of ventricles is: \_\_\_\_\_msec

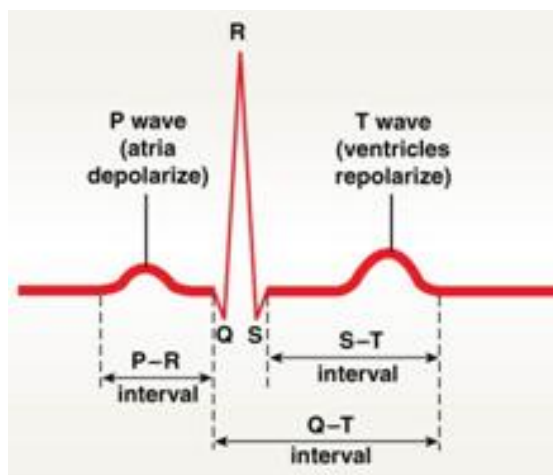
**Learning Outcome 4: Describe the process and purpose of an electrocardiogram.**

**Martini: The Electrocardiogram, pg. 702**

**Openstax: Electrocardiogram, pg. 815**

1. What is an electrocardiogram (ECG or EKG)?

2. Normal ECG:



3. Describe the recordings in an ECG.

3a. P wave

3ai. Produced when the \_\_\_\_\_

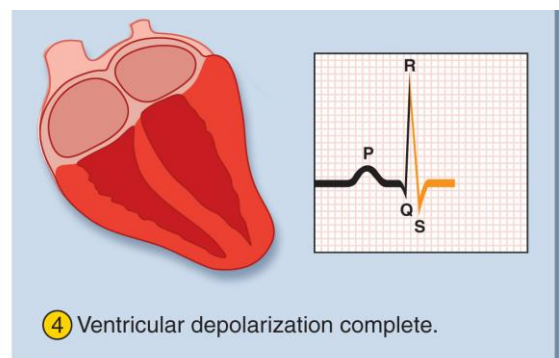
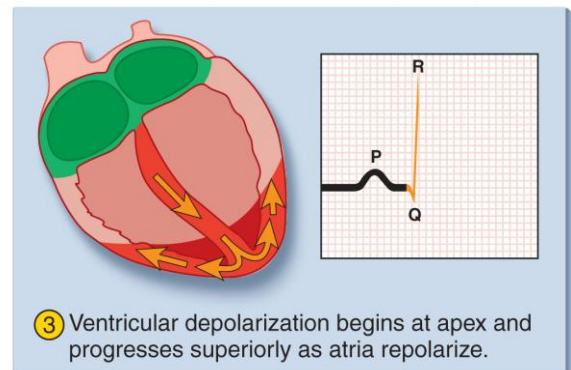
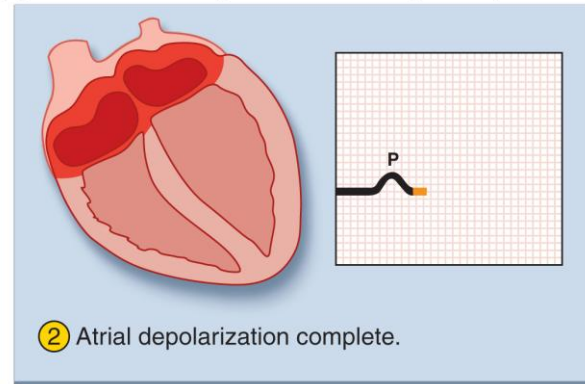
3aii. \_\_\_\_\_ (cardiac cells become positive charged)

3aiii. Atrial contract (systole) about \_\_\_\_\_

3b. QRS Complex

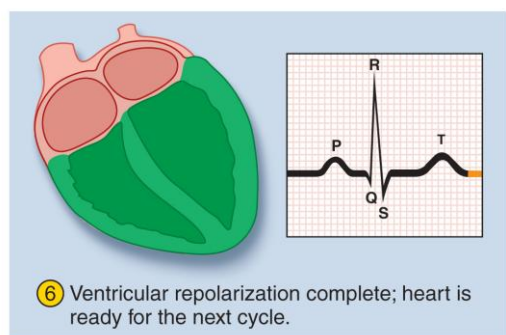
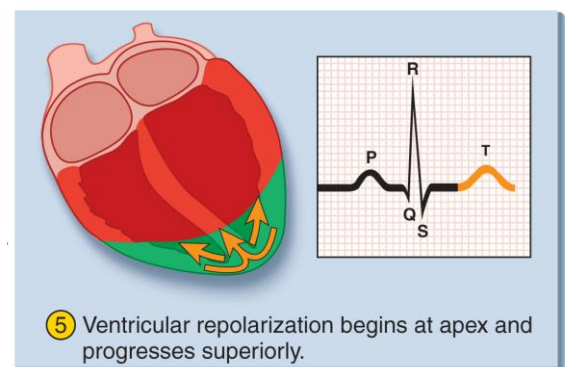
3bi. Ventricular \_\_\_\_\_

3bii. Why is the QRS segment bigger than the P wave?



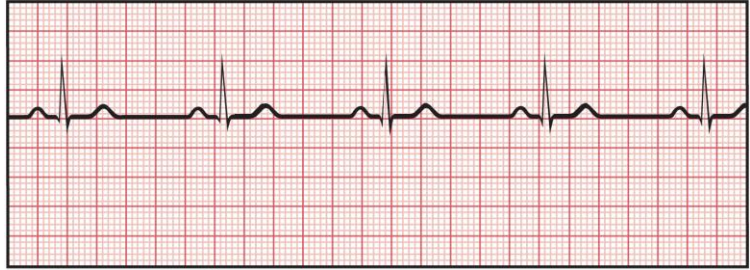
3c. T Wave

3ci. Ventricular \_\_\_\_\_

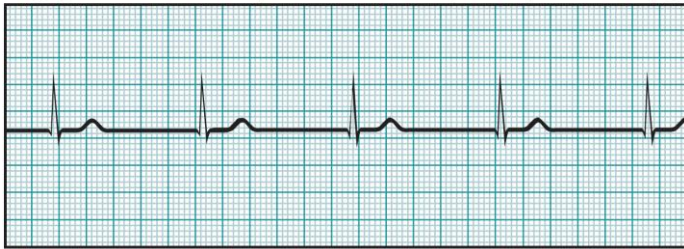




4. Abnormal Electrocardiograms

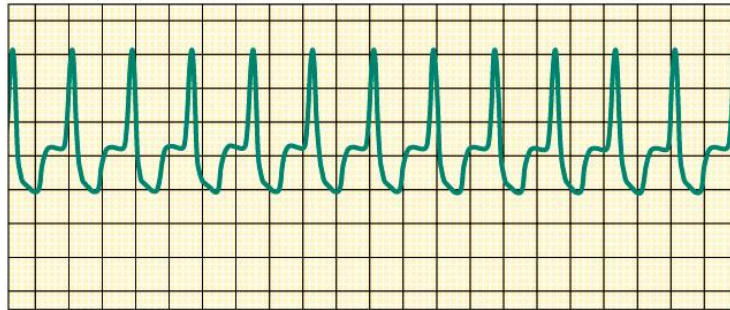


(a) Sinus rhythm (normal)



(b) Nodal rhythm—no SA node activity

Tachycardia



Bradycardia



**Heart Sounds (“Lubb-Dupp” sound)**

1. Listening to the heart is a technique called \_\_\_\_\_
2. “Lubb” sound- First Heart Sound ( $S_1$ )
  - 2a. The “Lubb” sound occurs when \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2b. What causes the “Lubb” sound? closing of the \_\_\_\_\_
3. “Dupp” sound- Second Heart Sound ( $S_2$ )
  - 3a The “Dubb” sound occurs during \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3b. What causes the “Dubb” sound? Closing of the \_\_\_\_\_

4. What is a *heart murmur*? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Learning Outcome 5: Explain the cardiac cycle.

**READ Openstax: 19.3 Cardiac Cycle pg. 822-824**

Understand:

1. What is the cardiac cycle.
2. Pressure and flow in the cardiac cycle
3. Phases of the cardiac cycle
4. Relationship between the cardiac cycle and ECG

### Learning Outcome 6: Calculate cardiac output and explain factors that can influence

**Martini: 20-4 Cardiac Output, pg. 711**

**Openstax: Cardiac Output, pg. 826**

1. What is Cardiac Output (CO)?  
Volume of blood ejected from \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Calculating Cardiac Output (CO):

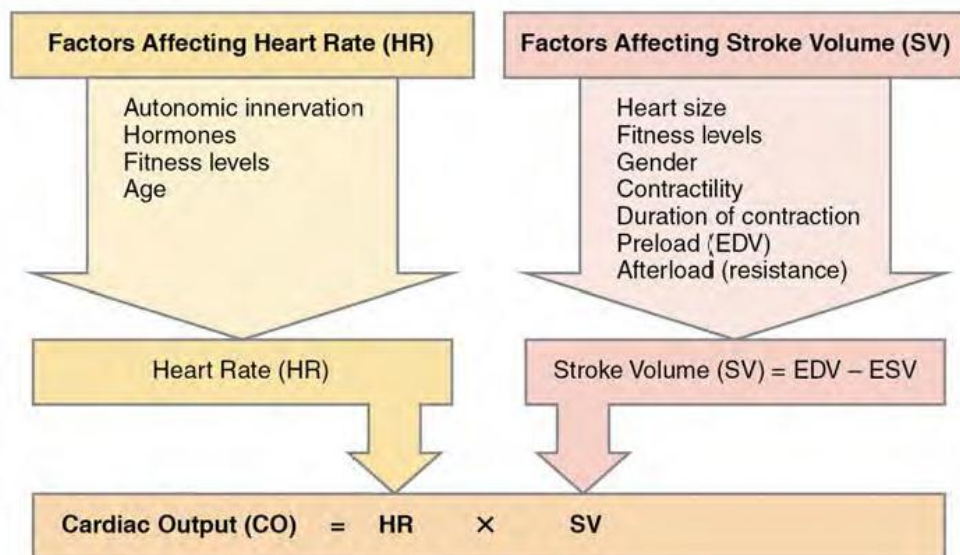
3. Example - Calculate the CO of a typical resting adult male (70 kg or 150 lb):  
 SV = 70 ml/beat    HR is 75 beats/min

3a. Cardiac output is an indication of \_\_\_\_\_

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3b. List factors affecting cardiac output:

**Openstax: Fig. 19.31**

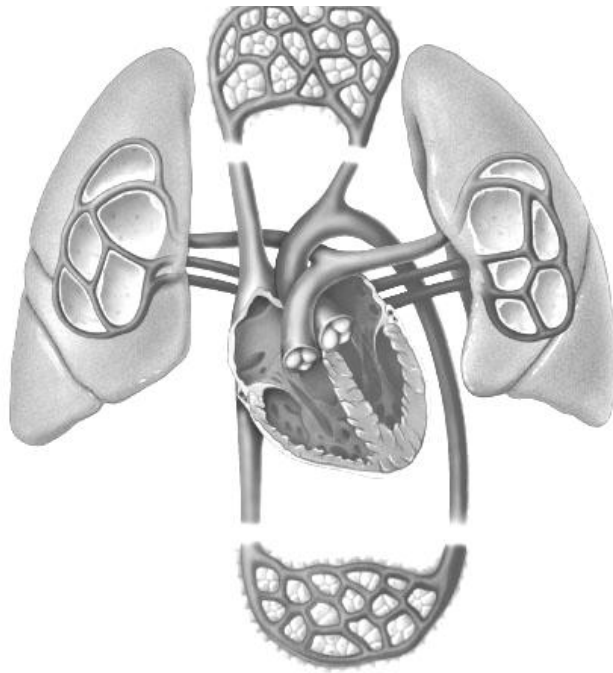




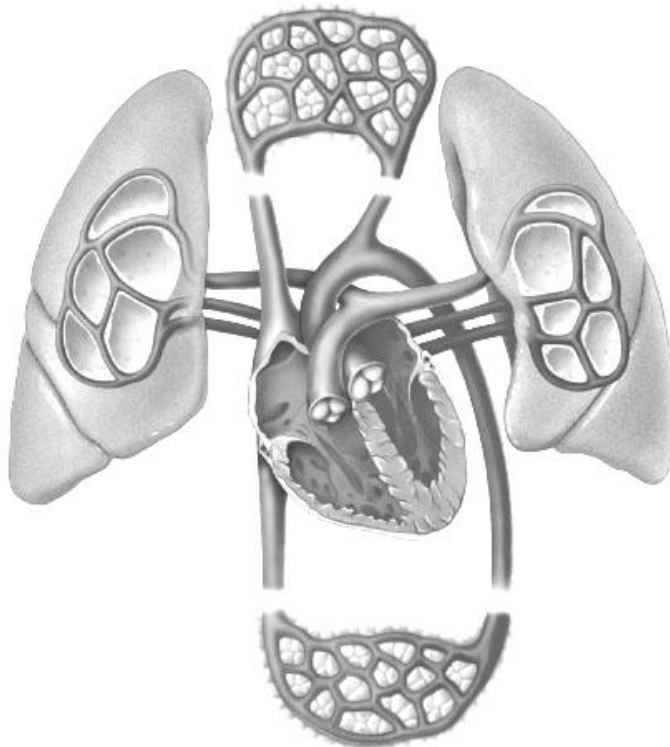
**Test Your Knowledge...**

1. Blood exits the heart through...  
a. veins      b. arteries      c. venules      d. arterioles
2. Valves prevent a backup of blood flow in the following vessels...  
a. arteries      b. veins      c. arterioles      d. capillaries
3. Blood enters the heart through...  
a. atria      b. septum      c. ventricles      d. myocardium
4. The protective covering of the heart is called the...  
a. epicardium      b. pericardium      c. myocardium      d. endocardium
5. Atria pump blood across these valves:  
a. pulmonary      b. aortic      c. pulmonary      d. mitral & tricuspid
6. Blood from the *LEFT* ventricle enters the:  
a. aorta      b. pulmonary artery      c. pulmonary vein      d. inferior vena cava
7. Which component of the electrical conduction system initiates the heartbeat?  
a. the atrioventricular node  
b. the sinoatrial node  
c. the bundle of His  
d. the Purkinje fibers
8. The volume of blood leaving the heart per minute is called...  
a. stroke volume      b. cardiac output      c. heart rate      d. cardiac ischemia
9. Parasympathetic nerve stimulation would have the following effect on the heart:  
a. increase the stroke volume  
b. decrease heart rate  
c. increase blood pressure  
d. increase the cardiac output
10. Discuss the size, position, and location of the heart in the thoracic cavity.

11. Name and locate the chambers and valves of the heart.



12. Trace the flow of blood through the heart.



13. Identify, locate, and describe the functions of each of the following structures:  
SA node, AV node, AV bundle, Purkinje fibers.

