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socket

- a) The bones of the skeletal system are held together by **joints** .
- b) The elbow and knee are examples of **hinge** joints, because they can swing forward and backwards, just like a door.
- c) A ball and _____ joint is called this because the ball of one bone fits into the hollow area of the other bone.



What Are Joints?

Your skeletal system is made up of an amazing 206 different bones. Bones are connected to each other by **joints**. Without joints, bones would not be able to move because it is at the joint that movement takes place. Three of the most important joints are the ball and socket, hinge and sliding joints.



1. Ball and Socket Joint: This kind of joint allows movement in almost any direction, like a computer joystick. Ball and socket joints are found in the shoulder and the hip.

2. Hinge Joint: This type of joint

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Joints and Cartilage

Sliding Joint

Ball & Socket Joint

Cartilage

Cartilage
Nose

Cartilage
Trachea/Windpipe

Hinge Joint
Elbow

Sliding Joint
Wrist

Hinge Joint
Knee

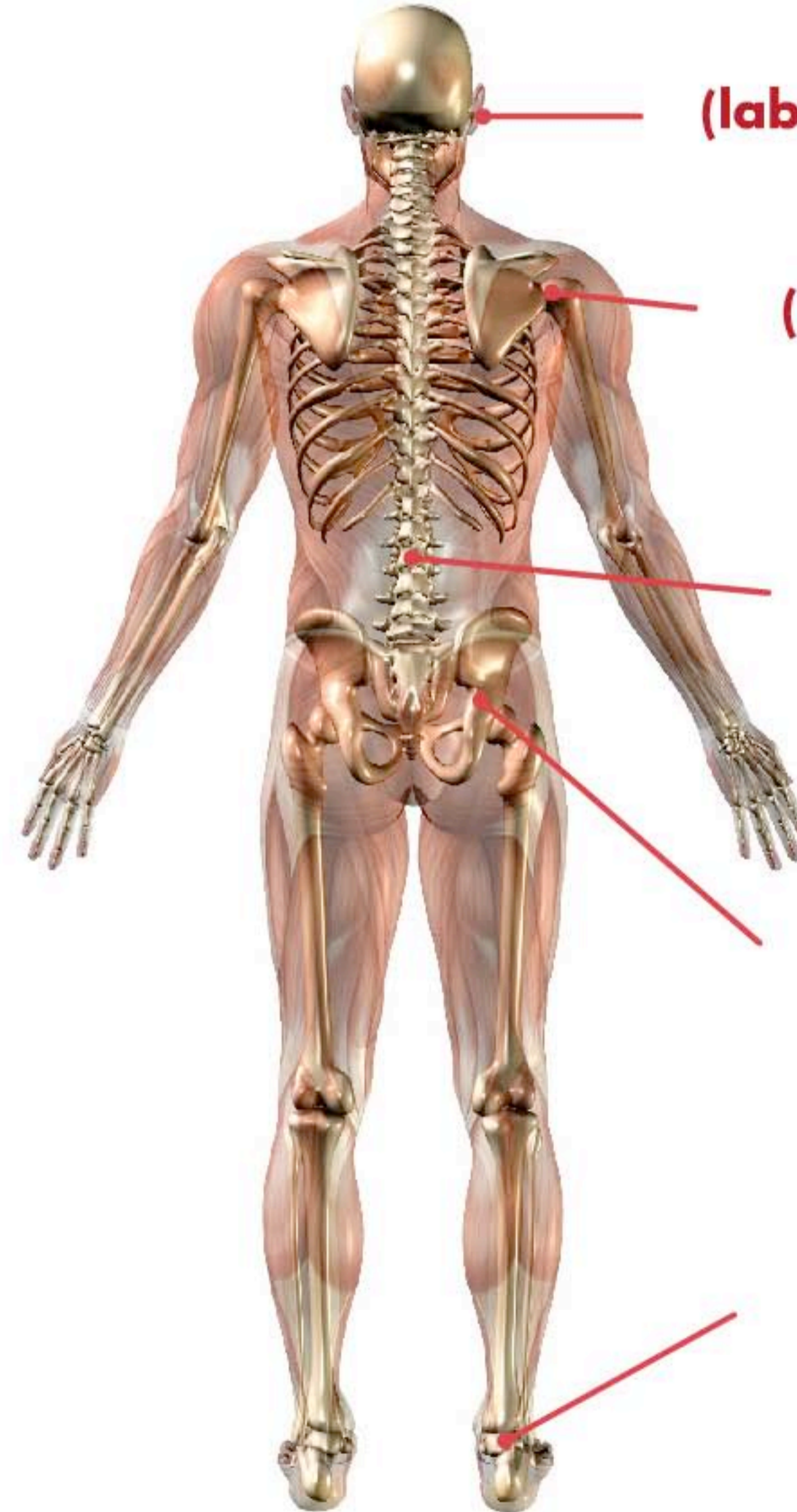
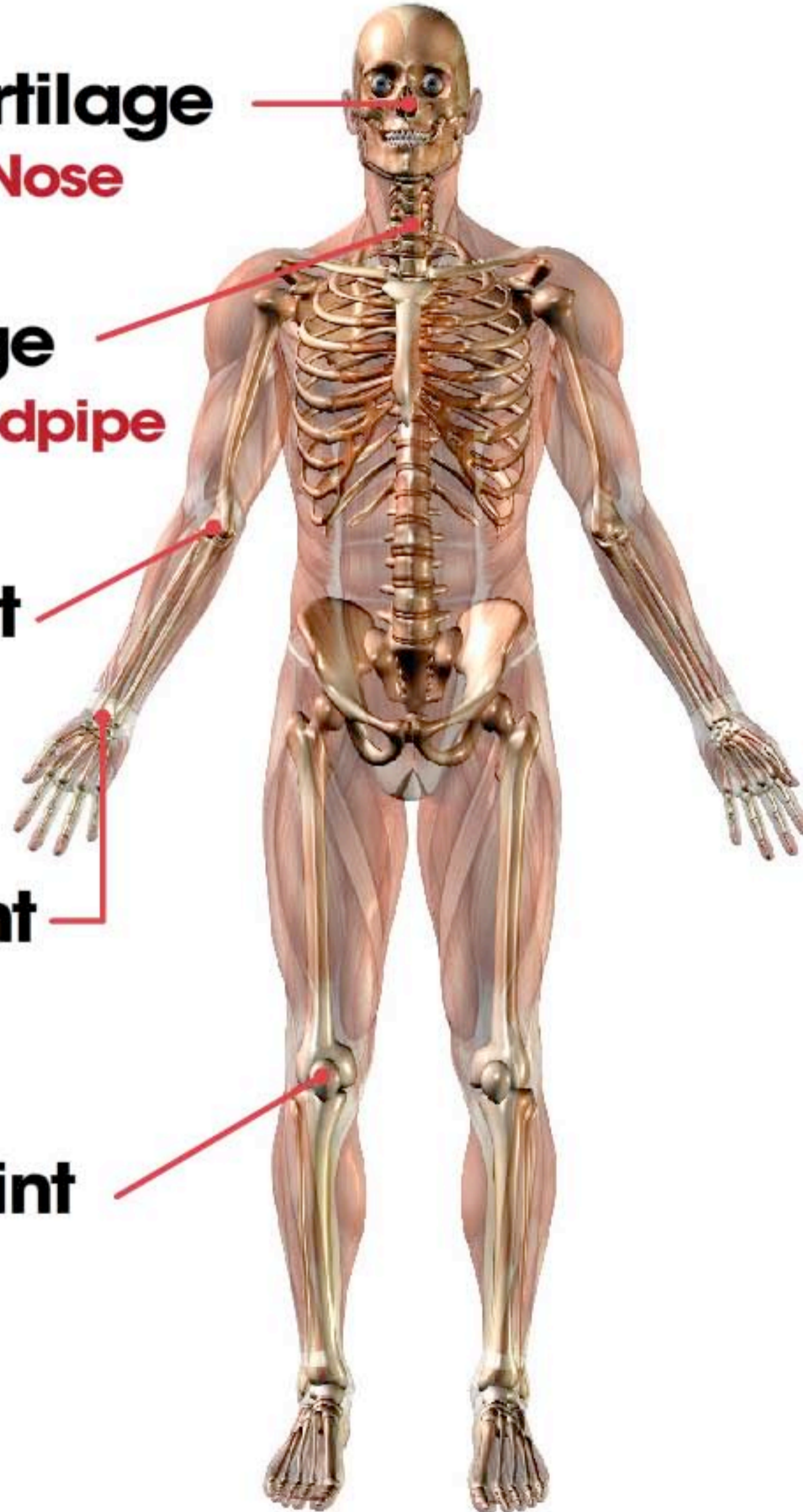
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