

Definitions

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saliva

secrete

pouch

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Reading Passage

How Do the Mouth and Stomach Work to Begin Digestion?

The mouth is where digestion begins. When we take a bite of food we chew it into small pieces. Our teeth bite, grind and rip the food. The muscles of the mouth and tongue move the food and mix it with the saliva in our mouth. Saliva is a watery liquid that our mouth secretes to help digestion. One of the most important jobs of saliva is to start to break starchy food (like pasta) down into simple sugars. For the best digestion, food needs to be chewed many times.

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How do the parts of our mouth help food to digest?

Comprehension Questions

Complete the paragraph with words from the list. Type your answers into the paragraph below.

teeth intestine tongue

four mouth

There are main parts to the digestive system. These are the mouth, the stomach, and the large and small s. Digestion begins in the . Our rip and chew our food. Our moves the food around in our mouth.

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