

OBJECTIVES:

By the end of this lecture, student should:

- understand the knowledge and information regarding Skeletal System of human body
- The two major divisions of skeletal system (the axial skeleton and the appendicular skeleton)

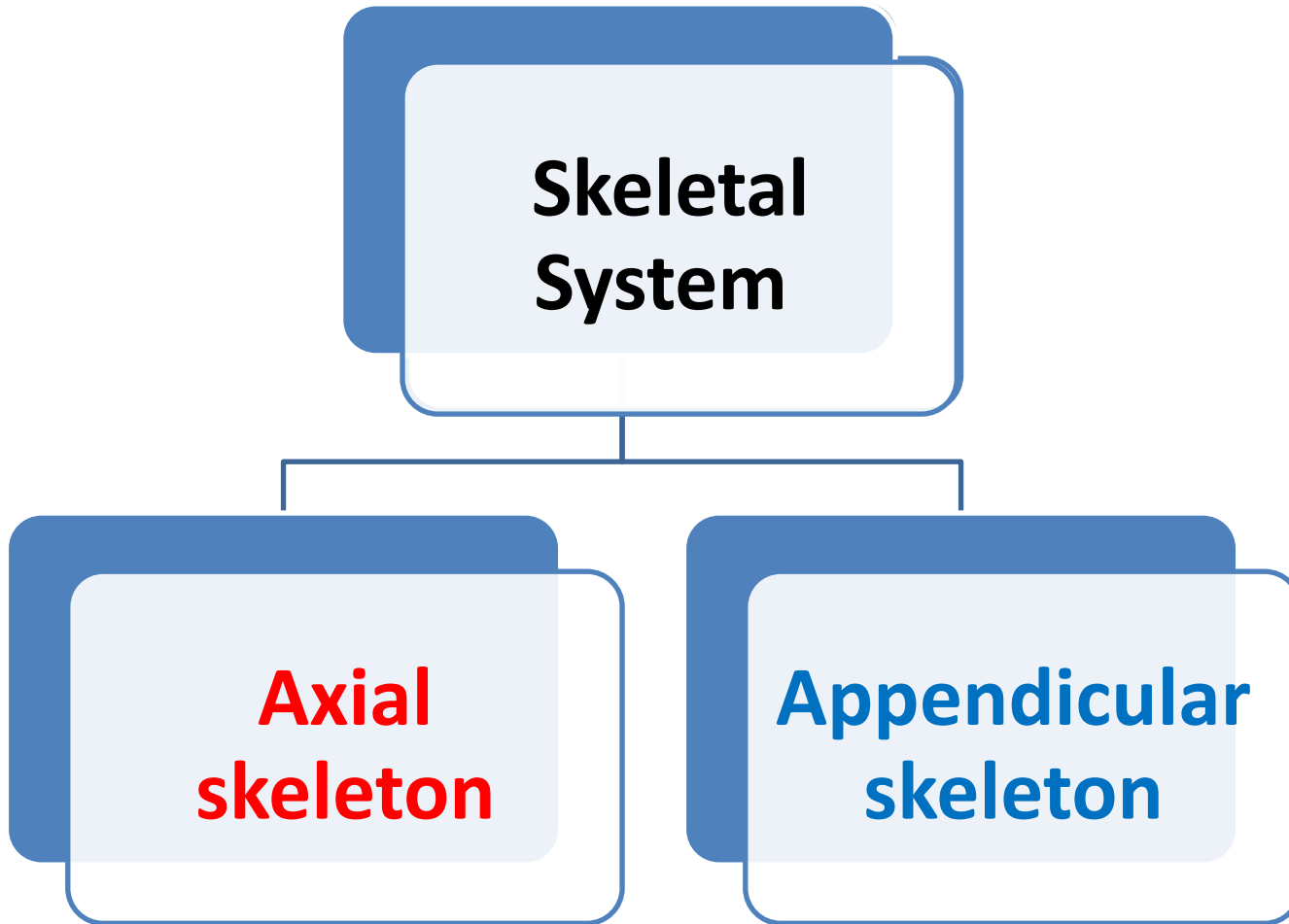
The Skeletal System

- ❖ The skeletal system includes all of the bones and joints, cartilage, tendon and ligaments in the body.
- ❖ Each bone is a complex living organ that is made up of many cells, protein fibers, and minerals.

Skeletal System Anatomy

- ❖ The skeletal system in an adult body is made up of **206** individual bones.
- ❖ These bones are arranged into two major divisions: **the axial skeleton** and the **appendicular skeleton**.

Skeletal System Anatomy



The **axial skeleton** runs along the body's midline axis and is made up of **80** bones in the following regions:

- Skull
- Hyoid
- Auditory ossicles
- Ribs
- Sternum
- Vertebral column

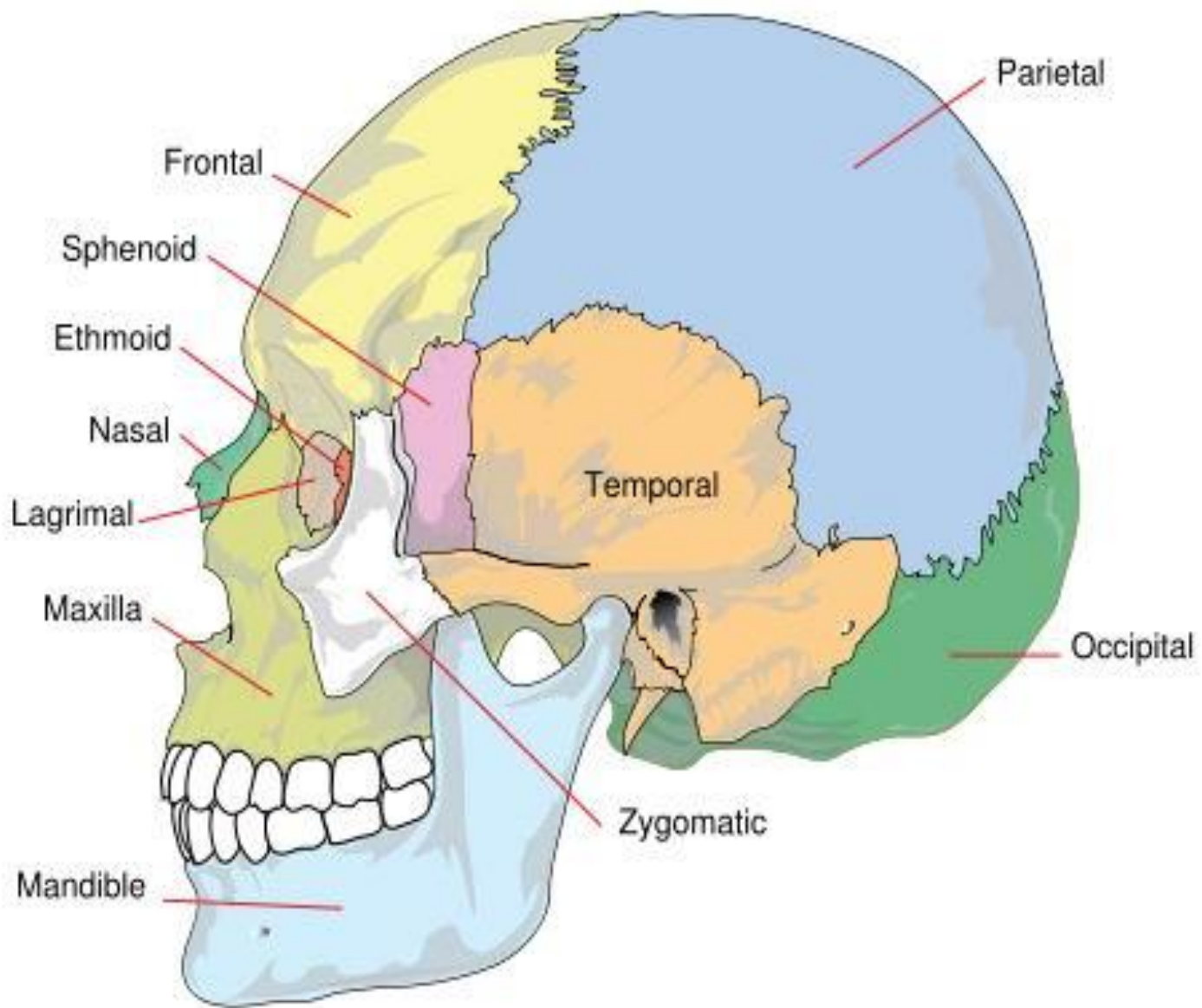
The **appendicular skeleton** is made up of **126** bones in the following regions:

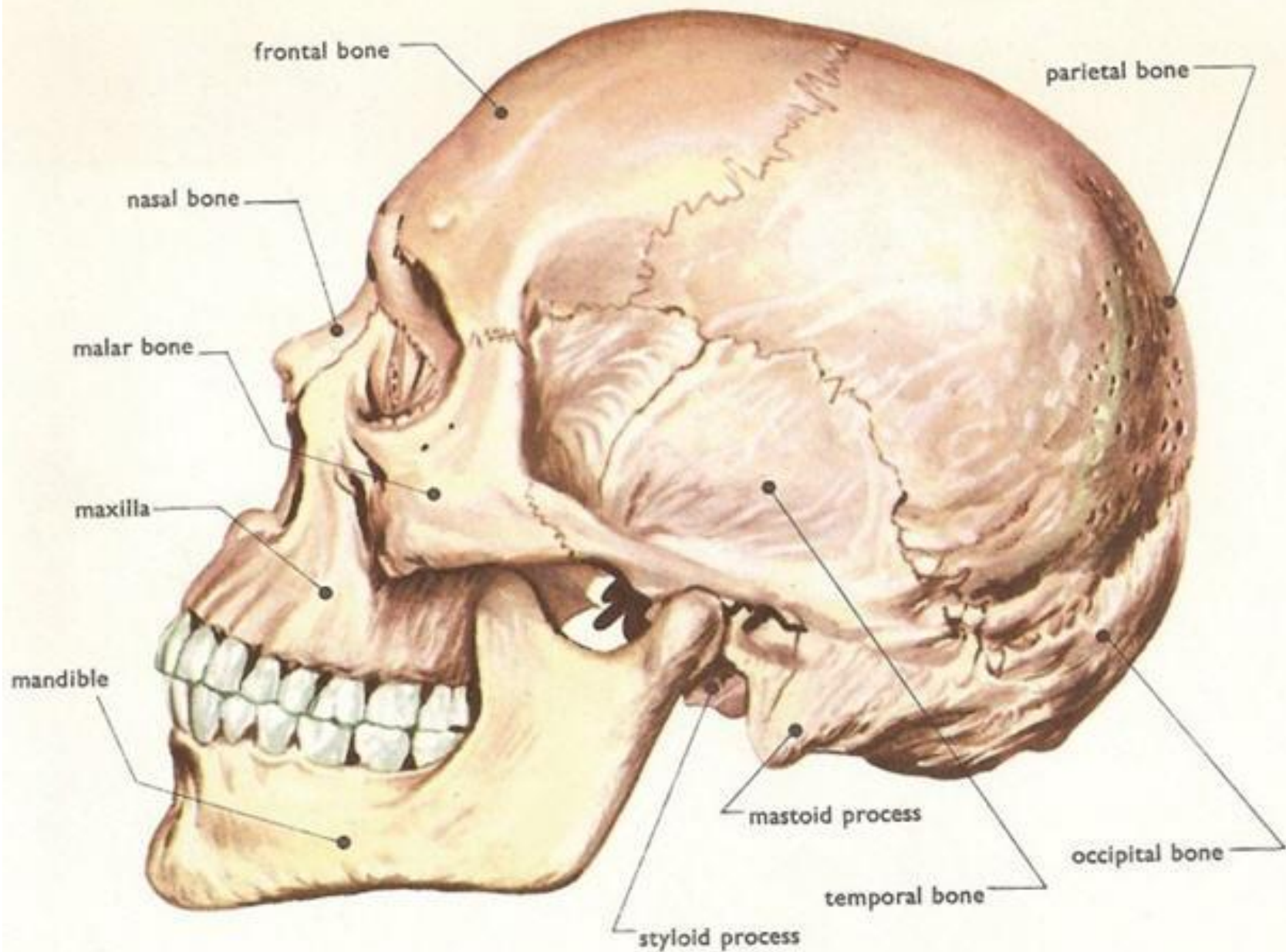
- Upper limbs
- Lower limbs
- Pelvic girdle
- Pectoral (shoulder) girdle

The axial skeleton

The skull:

- ❖ The skull is composed of **22** bones that are fused together except for the **mandible**.
- ❖ These **21** fused bones are separate in children to allow the skull and brain to grow, but fuse to give added strength and protection as an adult.
- ❖ The mandible forms the only movable joint in the skull.

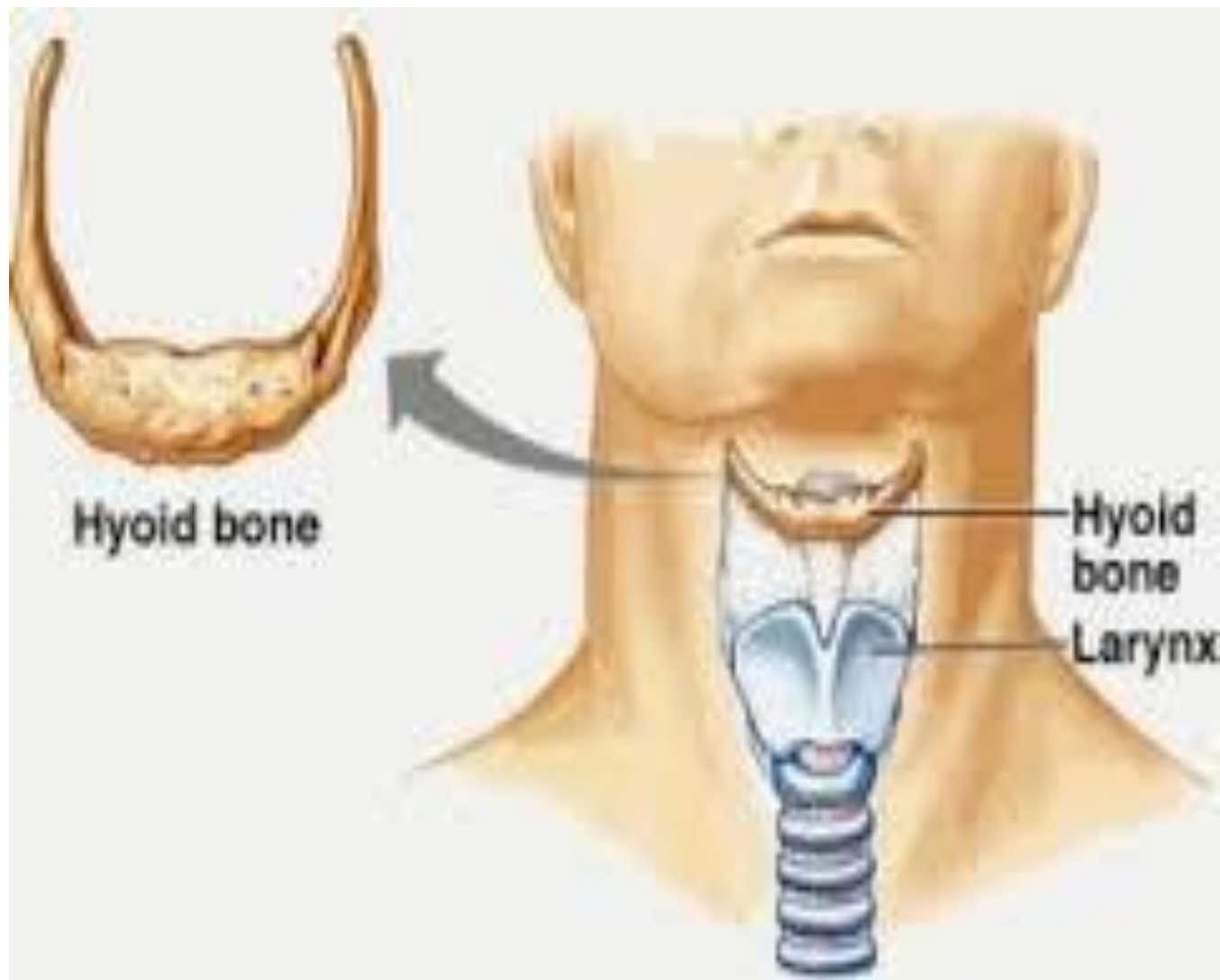




- ❖ The bones of the **superior portion** of the skull are known as the **cranium** and protect the brain from damage.
- ❖ The bones of the **inferior and anterior portion** of the skull are known as **facial bones** and support the eyes, nose, and mouth.

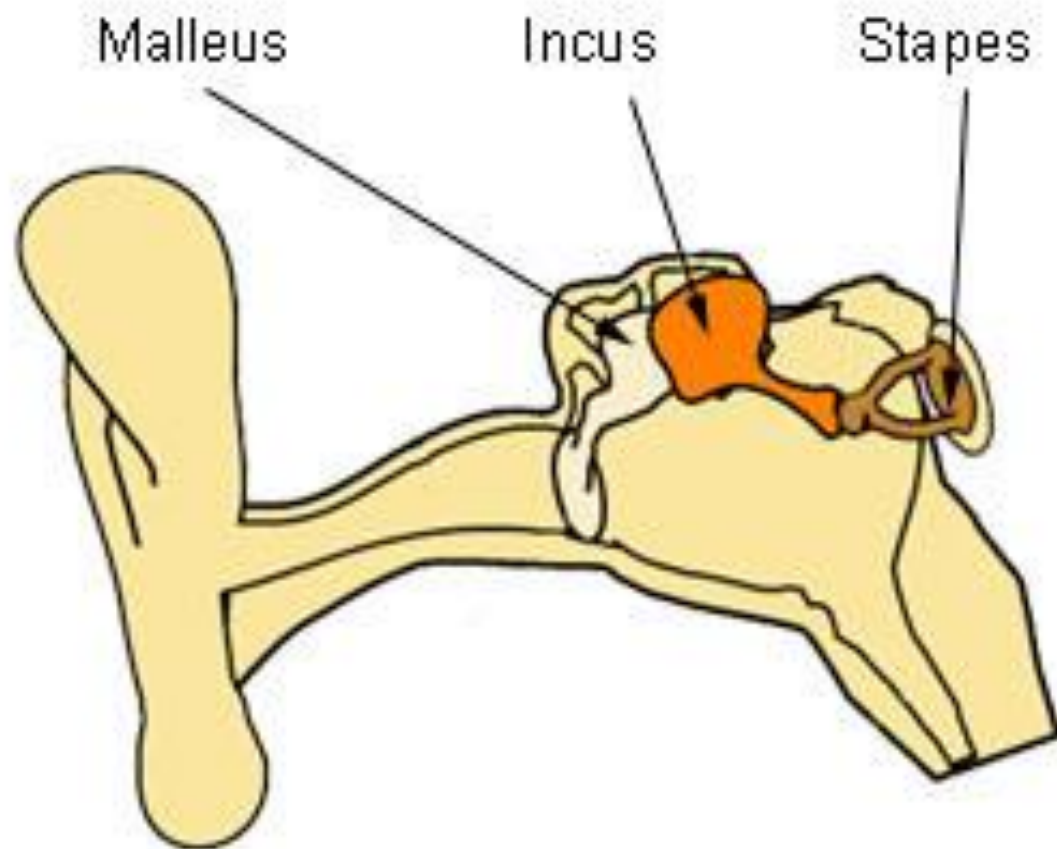
Hyoid:

- ❖ The hyoid is a small, U-shaped bone found just **inferior** to the **mandible**.
- ❖ The hyoid is the only bone in the body that **does not form a joint with any other bone**.
- ❖ The hyoid's function is to help hold the trachea open and to form a bony connection for the tongue muscles.

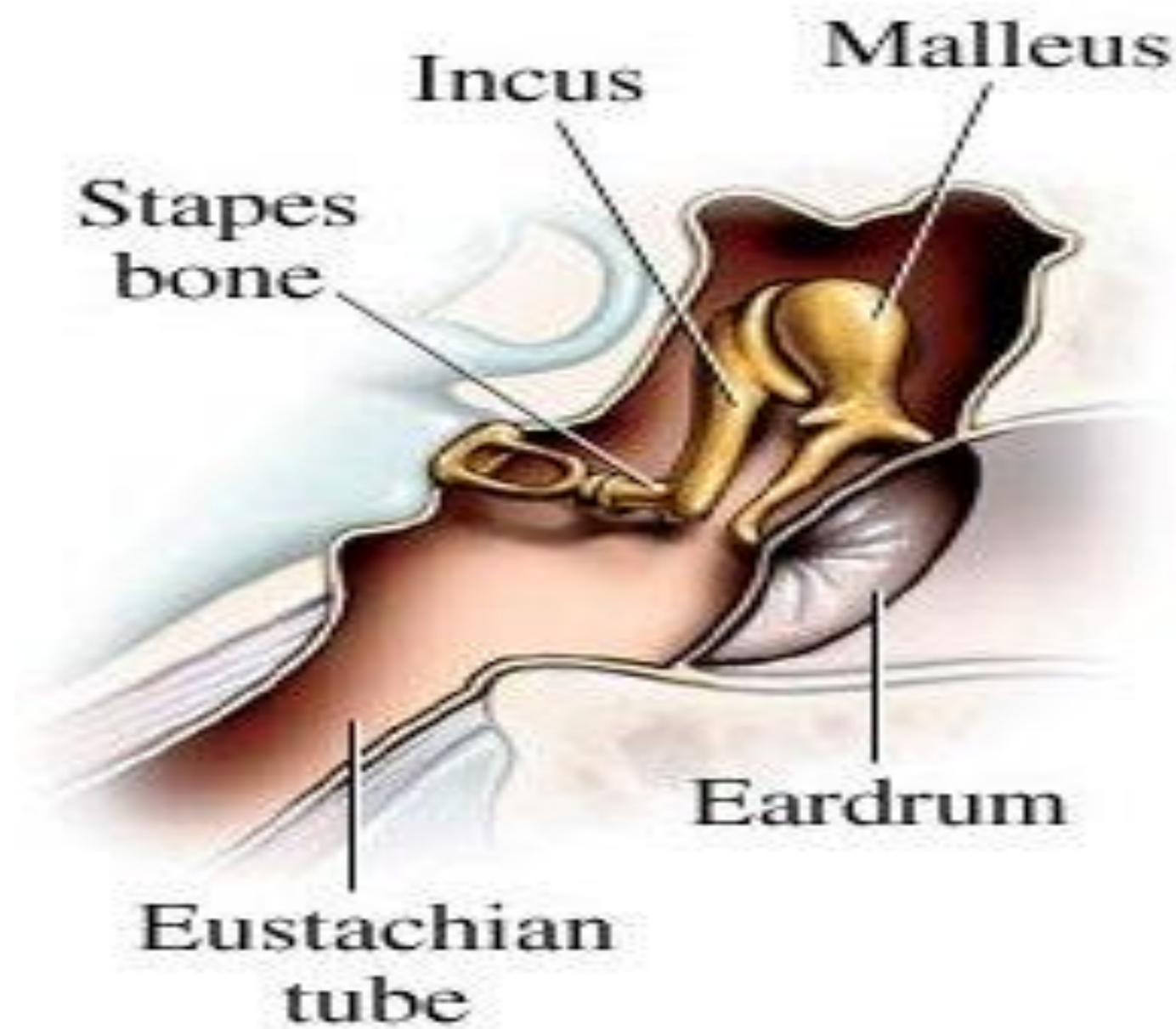


The auditory ossicles:

- ❖ The **malleus**, **incus**, and **stapes**—known collectively as the auditory ossicles—are the smallest bones in the body. Found in a small cavity inside of the **temporal bone**, they serve to transmit and amplify sound from the eardrum to the inner ear.



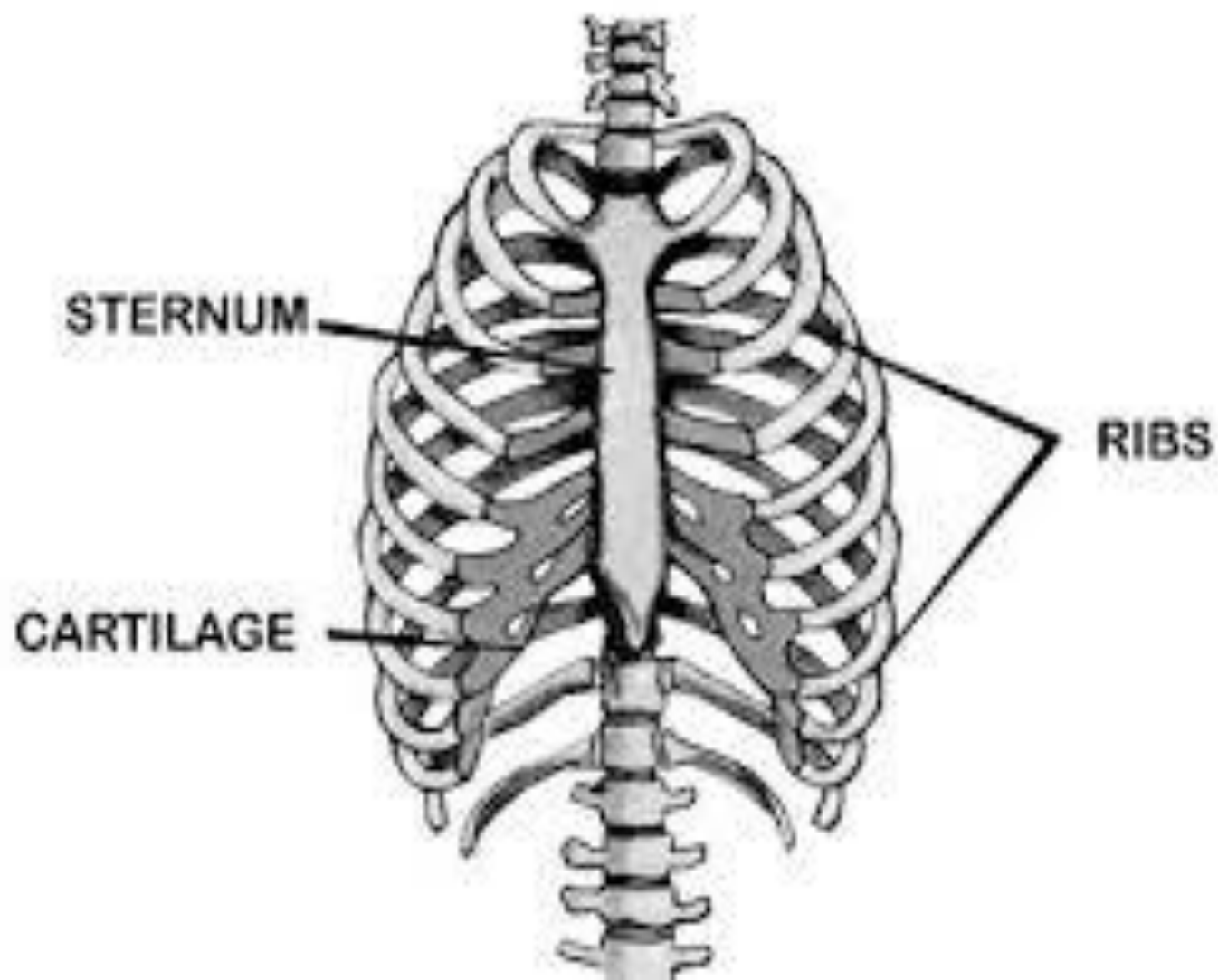
Cranial Bones



The sternum:

- ❖ The sternum, is a thin, **knife-shaped** bone located along the midline of the anterior side of the thoracic region of the skeleton.
- ❖ The sternum connects to the ribs by thin bands of cartilage called the **costal** cartilage.

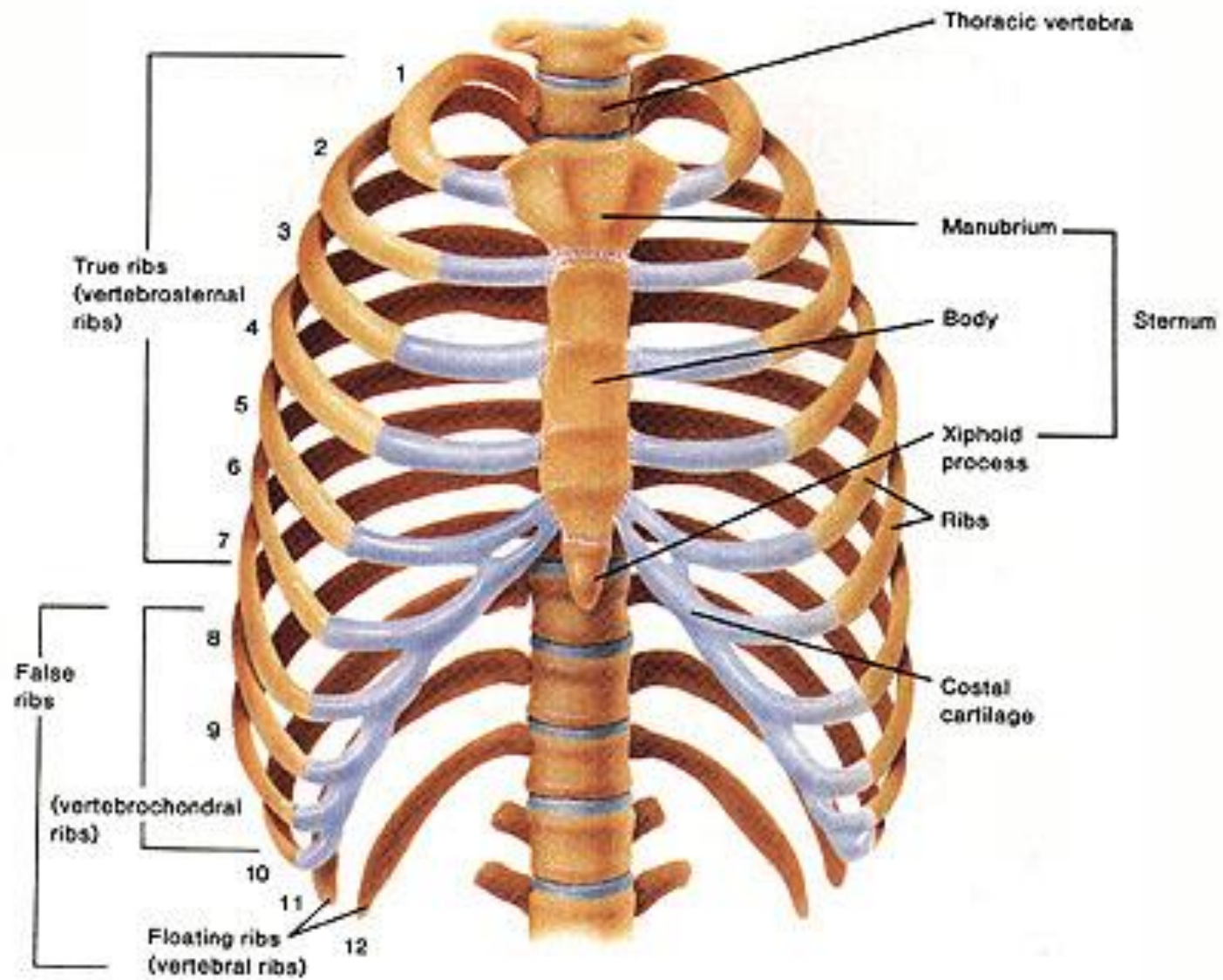
THORAX (CHEST)



The ribs:

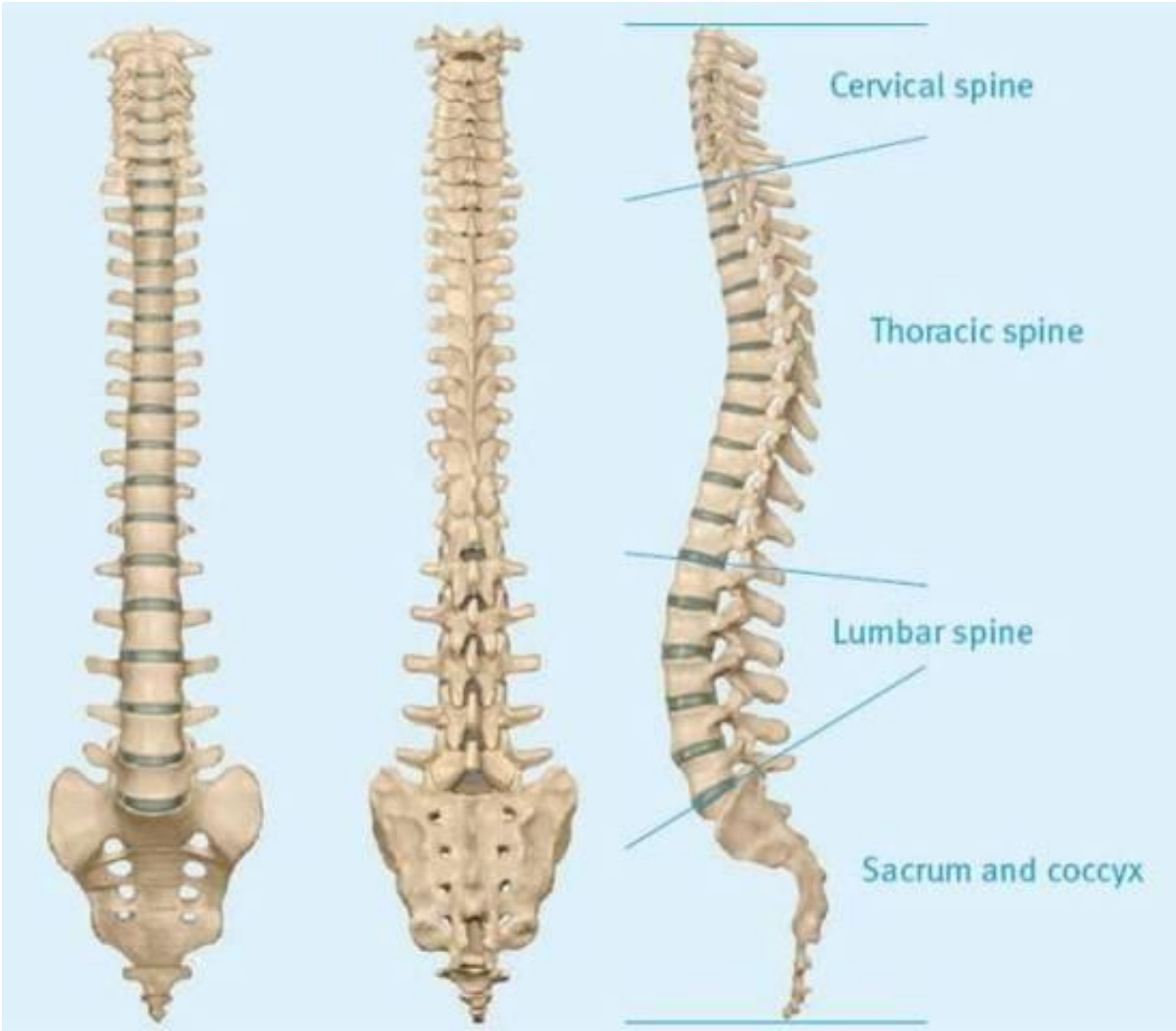
- ❖ There are **12** pairs of ribs.
- ❖ The **first seven ribs** are known as “**true ribs**” because they connect the thoracic vertebrae **directly** to the sternum.

- ❖ Ribs **8**, **9**, and **10** all connect to the sternum through cartilage that is connected to the cartilage of the **seventh rib**, so we consider these to be “**false ribs.**”
- ❖ Ribs **11** and **12** are also false ribs, but are also considered to be “floating ribs” because they do not have any cartilage attachment to the sternum at all.



Vertebrae:

- ❖ **Twenty-six** vertebrae form the vertebral column of the human body. They are named by region:
 - Cervical (neck) - **7** vertebrae
 - Thoracic (chest) - **12** vertebrae
 - Lumbar (lower back) - **5** vertebrae
 - Sacrum - **1** vertebra
 - Coccyx (tailbone) - **1** vertebra



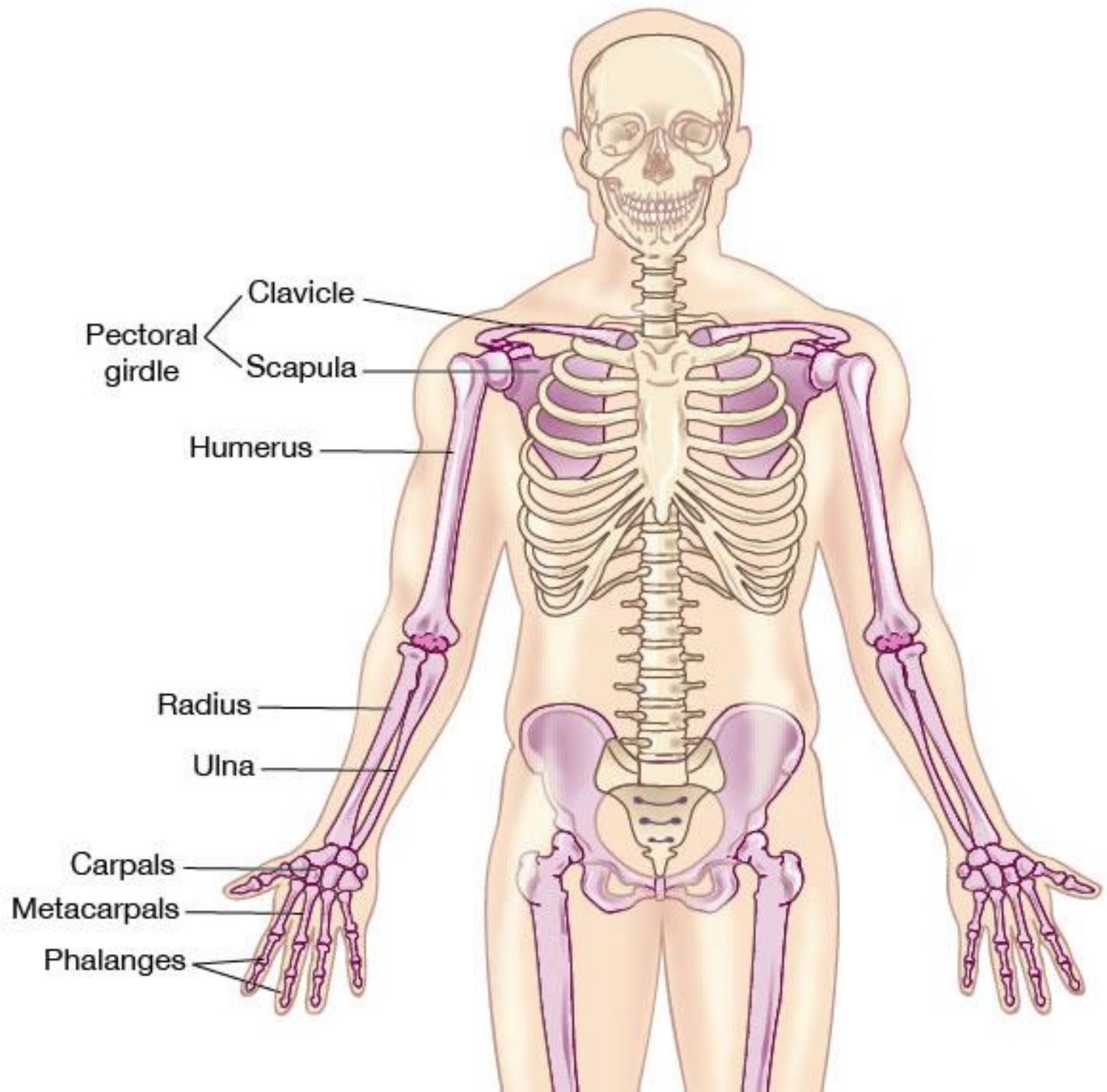
The appendicular skeleton

Pectoral Girdle

- ❖ The pectoral girdle connects the upper limb (arm) bones to the axial skeleton and consists of the left and right **clavicles** and left and right **scapulae**.

The upper Limb:

- ❖ The **humerus** is the bone of the upper arm. It forms the ball and socket joint of the shoulder with the scapula and forms the elbow joint with the lower arm bones.
- ❖ The radius and ulna are the two bones of the forearm.



- ❖ The lower arm bones form the wrist joint with the **carpals**, a group of eight small bones that give added flexibility to the wrist.
- ❖ The carpals are connected to the five **metacarpals** that form the bones of the hand and connect to each of the fingers.
- ❖ Each finger has three bones known as **phalanges**, except for the thumb, which only has two phalanges.

Pelvic Girdle :

- ❖ Formed by the left and right **hip bones**, the pelvic girdle connects the lower limb (leg) bones to the axial skeleton.

The Lower Limb:

- ❖ The femur is the largest bone in the body.

Coxal bones and
sacrum (pelvis)

Pubic
symphysis

Femur (upper leg)

Patella (knee cap)

Lower leg

Tibia

Fibula

7 Tarsals (ankle)

5 Metatarsals (foot)

14 Phalanges (toe bones)



❖ The femur forms the ball and socket hip joint with the hip bone and forms the knee joint with the tibia.

- ❖ The tarsals are a group of seven small bones that form the posterior end of the foot and heel.
- ❖ The tarsals form joints with the five long metatarsals of the foot.
- ❖ Then each of the metatarsals forms a joint with one of the set of phalanges in the toes.
- ❖ Each toe has three phalanges, except for the big toe, which only has two phalanges.

Thank you