

Answer Key – THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM

Fill in the blank.

1. The 'ileum' is your small intestine and the 'colon' is your large intestine.
2. The English spelling is 'oesophagus' and the US spelling is 'esophagus'
3. Your stomach stores the food you eat. In Latin it is written as stomachus, and it is believed to be the seat of your emotions. Have you ever heard of the saying... 'I have butterflies in my stomach'.

Underline the spelling mistakes.

When Marcus complained about pains in his stomach, everyone thought he had eaten something bad. Little did they know that Marcus was in the early stage of appendicitis. Poor Marcus was finally taken to hospital and operated on. Two days in hospital saw him as good as new and he was back playing footy three weeks later. A neat little scar now tells Marcus' tale of his hospital stay.

Outcomes:

Science – the human body, the digestive system

English – word recognition, reading, writing, spelling, recognizing homophones

Extra Suggested Activities:

Find out what antiseptics mean and its uses:

<http://www.teachingtreasures.com.au/sciencenames/antiseptics.htm>

Look up Joseph Lister in an encyclopaedia. Find out what he developed. Antiseptics are substances that kill and prevent the growth of disease-causing organisms. It is usually used on external wounds. Surgeons also use antiseptics to scrub their hands and prepare the patient's skin before an operation.

Find out what asepsis means and its uses:

Asepsis is the condition where there is a complete absence of bacteria or other germs. These days aseptic techniques replace the need to use antiseptics in surgery, this means that cleanliness is extremely high, this condition is usually used when doctors need to perform an operation.

Find out some of the procedures that have to be performed at hospitals in order to enable them to perform operations.