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Nervous System Part 1

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The nervous system

It is divided into 2 major divisions:

- 1) Central Nervous System (CNS): found within the bones & consists of:
 - * The Brain: within the skull
 - * The spinal cord: within the vertebral canal.
- 2) Peripheral Nervous System (PNS): Consists of:
 - A) Autonomic nervous system (ANS): supplies involuntary structures, e.g.

Cardiac muscle and Smooth muscles which is divided into:

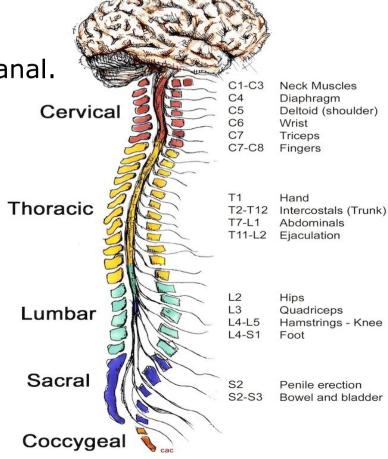
- * Sympathetic nervous system.
- * Parasympathetic nervous system.
- B) Somatic nerves (SNS): supplies Voluntary structures body wall and limbs.
 - * Cranial nerves (12 pairs): Connected to the brain.
 - * Spinal nerves (31 pairs): Connected to the spinal cord.

The central nervous system

It consists of:

The brain: Within the skull.

2) The spinal cord: Within the vertebral canal.



THE BRAIN

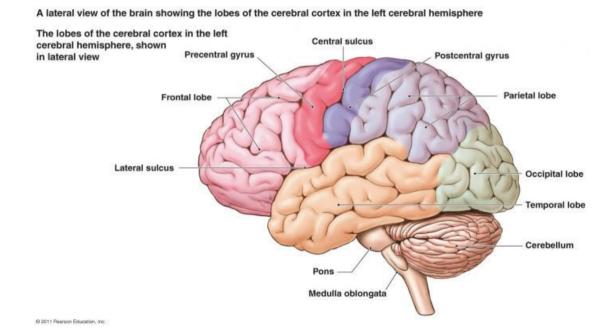
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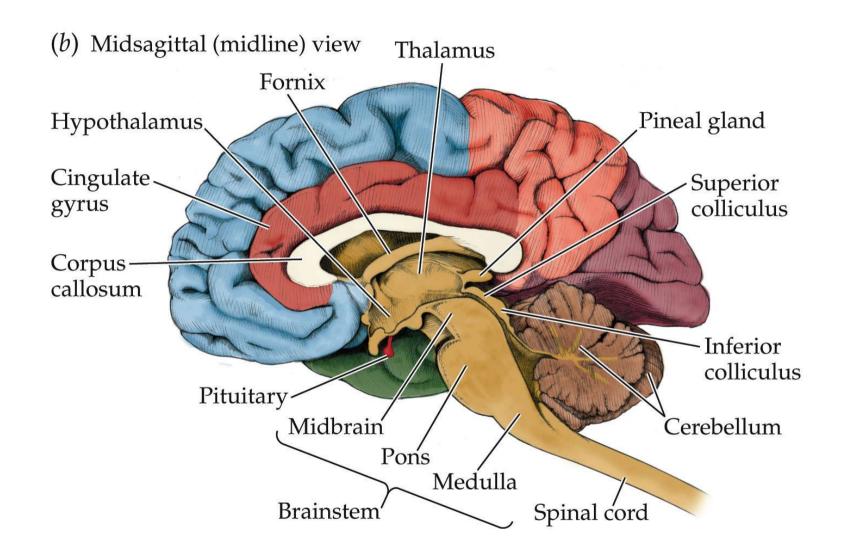
1) Cerebrum:

- 2 Cerebral hemispheres separated from each other by median fissure
- Diencephalon

2) Brain Stem:

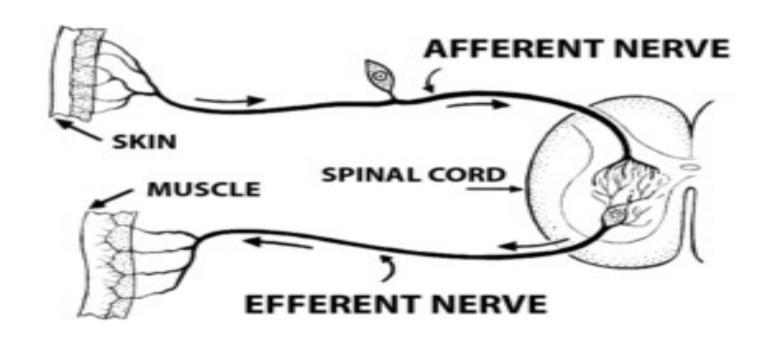
- Midbrain
- Pons
- Medulla
- 3) Cerebellum:





Functional Classification of Neurons:

- 1) Afferent (sensory) neurons: convey information from tissues and organs into the central nervous system (CNS).
- 2) Efferent (motor)neurons: transmit signals from the CNS to the effector organs (muscles & glands).



Cranial Nerves

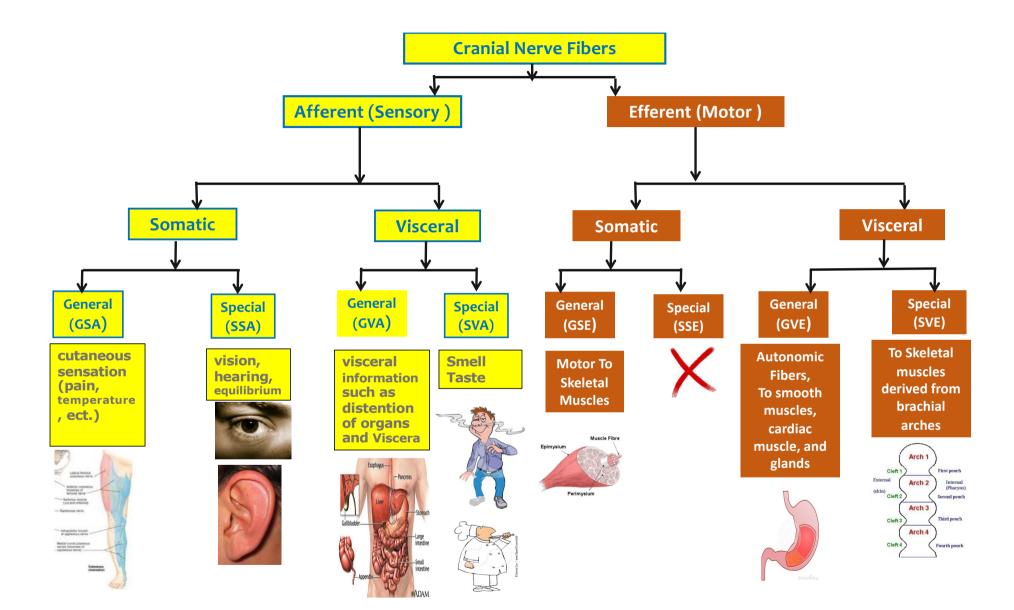
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Key Facts of cranial nerves

- Like spinal nerves, **cranial nerves** are bundles of sensory or motor fibers that innervate muscles or glands; carry impulses from sensory receptors.
- There are twelve pairs of cranial nerves, which are numbered I to XII (1:12)
- They are called cranial nerves because they emerge from brain and passes through foramina or fissures in the skull.



12 Cranial Nerves:

Out Of Our Troubled Times

Arose Fear, Very Great

Violence And Hatred

- **1.** Olfactory
- **2. O**ptic
- 3. Oculomoter
- **4.** Trochlear
- 5. Trigeminal Maxillary
- 6. Abducens Mandibular
- **7.** Facial
- 8. Vestibulocochlear (Auditory)

= opthalmic

- 9. Glossopharyngeal
- 10.Vagus
- 11.Accessory
- 12.Hypoglossal

MOTOR vs. SENSORY

Motor or Sensory? or Both?

Some Say Money Matters, But My Brother Says Big Brains Matter More

I - Sensory

II - Sensory

III - Motor

IV - Motor

V - Both

VI - Motor

VII - Both

VIII - Sensory

IX - Both

X – Both

XI - Motor

XII - Motor

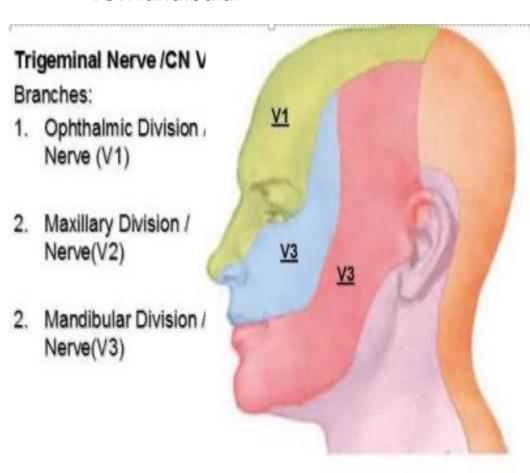
N	Name	Main Function	
1	Olfactory	Smell	
2	O ptic	Vision	
3	Oculomotor	Movement of the eye	
5	Trigeminal	Sensory to face	
7	Facial	Motor to the muscles of the face	
11	Accessory	Motor to sternomastoid and trapezius	

Sensory:

Trigeminal Divided into V1:Opthalamic

V2:Maxillary

V3:Mandibular



N	Name	Attachment to the brain
1	Olfactory	
2	O ptic	Cerebrum
3	Oculomoter	
4	Trochlear	Midbrain
5	T rigeminal	
6	A bducent	Pons
7	Facial	
8	V estibulocochlear	
9	Glossopharyngeal	
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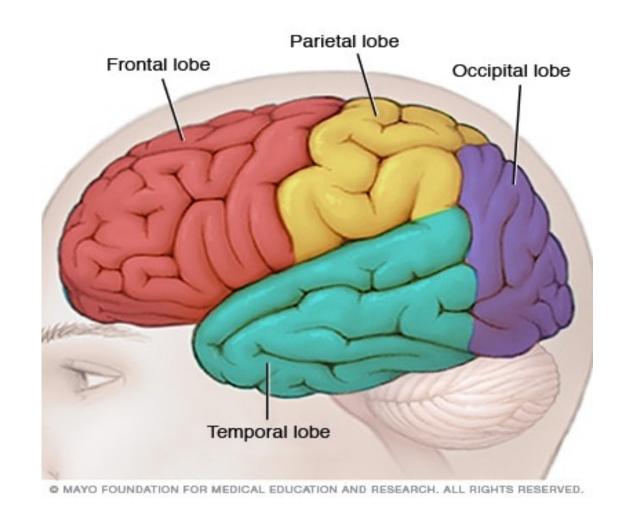
Nervous System Part 2

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THE CEREBRAL HEMISPHERES

- The cerebral hemisphere is divided into 4 lobes by
- The central sulcus.
- Lateral fissure.
- Each hemisphere is divided into 4 lobes:
- - Frontal lobe.
- Parietal lobe.
- Temporal lobe.
- Occipital lobe.



The main functional areas of the different lobes of the brain

The Frontal lobe:

 Contains motor area which controls muscles of the opposite half of the body.

The parietal lobe:

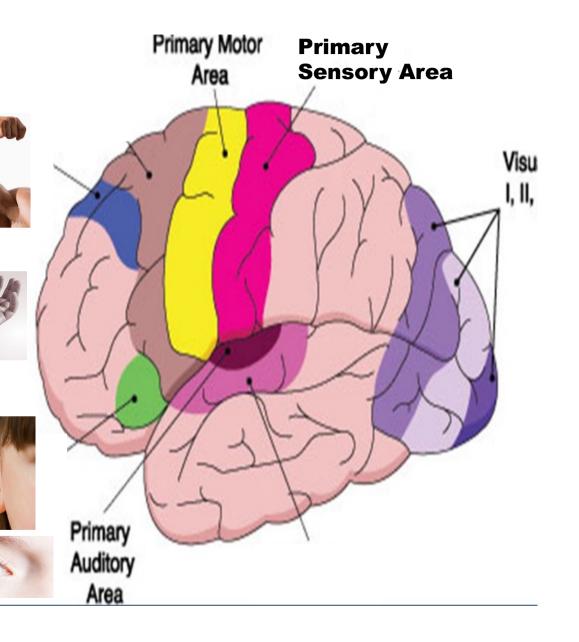
 Contains the sensory area for the opposite half of the body.

The temporal lobe:

Contains hearing center

The occipital lobe:

Contains center for vision



The white matter of the brain

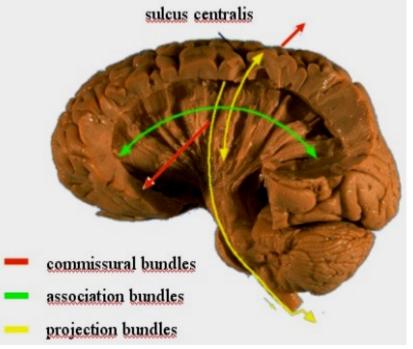
The white matter of the brain consist of:

1) Association fibers: Connect different areas in the same hemisphere.

2) <u>Commissural fibers</u>: Connect similar areas

in the 2 hemispheres as corpus callosum

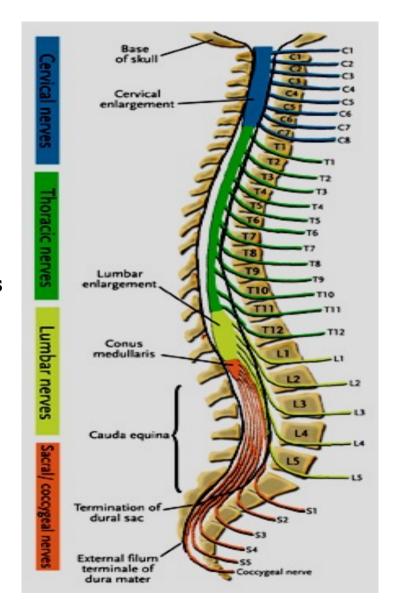
3) <u>Projection fibers</u>: Fibers from & to the cerebral cortex as internal capsule



The Spinal Cord

Gross features:

- It is **cylindrical** in shape, about **45 cm** in length .
- It begins at the upper border of atlas vertebra (C1)
- It ends at the intervertebral disc between the 1st &
 2nd lumbar vertebrae.
- Its lower end is conical in shape & is known as "Conus Medullaris"
- It Organized into 31 spinal segments
- Cervical: 8
- > Thoracic: 12
- Lumbar : 5
- Sacral: 5
- Coccygeal: 1



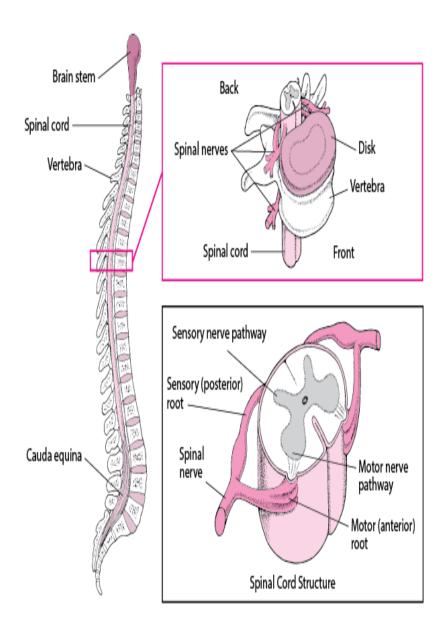
Each segment gives 2 spinal nerves, that leave through Intervertebral foramen of the same level of its spinal segment.

The roots of Lumbosacral nerves gathered inferiorly as group of fibers called *Cauda equina* (horse tail).

The spinal cord has 2 enlargements:

Cervical (C5-T1)

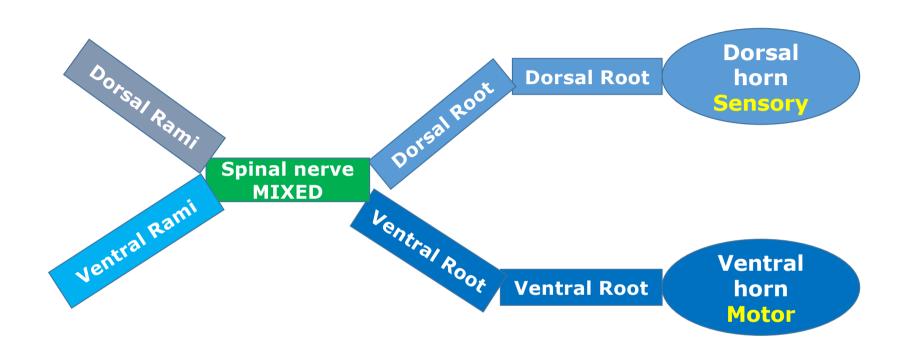
Lumbar (L1-S3)



Internal structure of the spinal cord:

- 1) Central canal: contains CSF.
- 2) Grey matter is H-shape & it has
- 2 ventral horns (contain motor nuclei)
- 2 dorsal horns (contain sensory nuclei)
- 2 lateral horns (from T1-L2. that contain sympathetic nuclei).
- 3) White matter Surrounds the grey matter & is formed of ascending & descending tracts.

It is divided into 3 funiculi; anterior (ventral), lateral & posterior (dorsal).



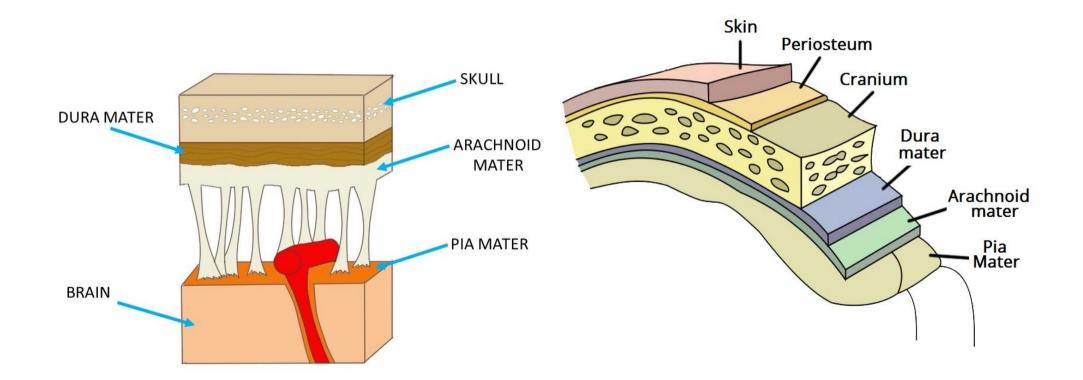
The Meninges

The brain is covered with 3 layers (meninges):

1-Dura (outer layer): Dense layer of fibrous tissue.

2-Arachnoid (middle layer): Delicate CT membrane.

3-Pia (inner layer): Transparent fibrous membrane that stick on the spinal cord.



Meningeal spaces

Meningeal spaces located between the 3 meninges and the vertebral canal.

Include 3 spaces:

Extradural space

Filled with fat, Connective Tissue and blood vessels.

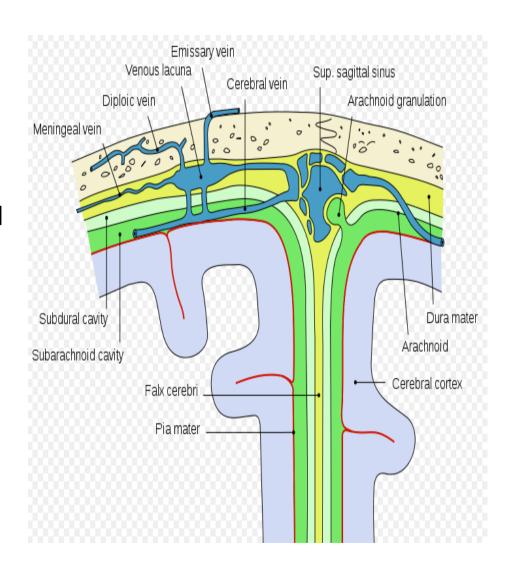
Subdural space

Contains serous fluid.

Subarachnoid space

A wide space that Contains cerebrospinal fluid (CSF)

Extends to lower border of S2.



The Cerebrospinal Fluid (CSF)

It is the fluid filling the ventricles & central canals of the CNS.

Production of CSF: It is secreted by the **choroid plexuses**

Circulation of CSF: It circulates in the ventricles & central canals of the CNS.

It circulates within subarachnoid space

Absorption of CSF: It is absorbed by **arachnoid villi & granulations** to be excreted into the dural venous sinuses.

Function: It forms a water cushion to protect the brain & spinal cord.

