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How does the brain work?



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The brain works as if it were the boss of the body. Each part has a job: one sees, another hears, another stores memories, another moves your muscles. They all talk to each other all the time, even while you sleep.

1 Which part is it? Use the words in the box.

Parietal lobe

Movement strip

Frontal lobe

1. It sits behind your forehead. It helps you think before you act, make plans, pay attention and stop yourself from doing silly things.
2. It is a strip that runs over the top of your head from ear to ear. When you decide to move your hand, the order comes from here.
3. It sits at the top of your head, toward the back. It helps you know where each part of your body is, grab things without missing and do sums.

2 Match each part to what it does. Write the letter.

- ☐ 1. Touch strip
- ☐ 2. Temporal lobe
- ☐ 3. Occipital lobe
- ☐ 4. Insula

- A. Sensing what happens inside the body
- B. Hearing, understanding words and recognizing faces
- C. Seeing
- D. Feeling touch, heat, cold and pain

3 True or false? Write T or F.

- ☐ 1. **Frontal lobe:** thinking, planning and deciding
- ☐ 2. **Movement strip:** telling muscles to move
- ☐ 3. **Parietal lobe:** storing new memories
- ☐ 4. **Hippocampus:** combining senses and finding your way in space

4 Think and answer

Which part of the brain controls memory?



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Answer key: How does the brain work?

1 Which part is it?

1. Frontal lobe
2. Movement strip
3. Parietal lobe

2 Match each part to what it does.

1. D
2. B
3. C
4. A

3 True or false?

1. T
2. T
3. F (Parietal lobe: combining senses and finding your way in space)
4. F (Hippocampus: storing new memories)

4 Think and answer

The main one is the hippocampus, hidden inside the temporal lobe.

