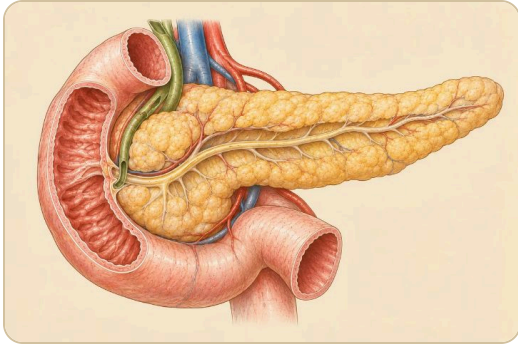


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What does the pancreas do?



READ

The pancreas sits behind the stomach and has two jobs. First, it makes a juice that helps break food down in the intestine. Second, it makes insulin, which helps sugar from food get into the cells to become energy.

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

Duodenum

Spleen

Pancreatic duct

1. The tube running through the pancreas that carries its juice to the intestine. _____
2. The very start of the intestine, shaped like a C. That is where bile and pancreatic juice mix with the food. _____
3. It sits on the left, behind the ribs. It cleans the blood and helps fight germs. _____

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

- ☐ 1. Pancreas
- ☐ 2. Gallbladder
- ☐ 3. Stomach
- ☐ 4. Blood vessels

- A. Making digestive juice and insulin
- B. Bringing blood in and out
- C. Starting digestion
- D. Storing bile

3 True or false? Write T or F.

- ☐ 1. **Pancreatic duct:** carrying pancreatic juice
- ☐ 2. **Duodenum:** filtering blood and making urine
- ☐ 3. **Spleen:** filtering blood and defending the body
- ☐ 4. **Kidneys:** receiving bile and pancreatic juice

4 Think and answer

What is insulin?



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Answer key: What does the pancreas do?

1 Which part is it?

1. Pancreatic duct
2. Duodenum
3. Spleen

2 Match each part to what it does.

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

3 True or false?

1. T
2. F (Duodenum: receiving bile and pancreatic juice)
3. T
4. F (Kidneys: filtering blood and making urine)

4 Think and answer

A hormone made by the pancreas. It works like a key (just a comparison) that opens cells so sugar from the blood can get in and become energy.

