

STD 10-FIRST BELL- BIOLOGY- CLASS-06

Chapter – 1 Sensations and Responses

Kinds of Nervous system

The nervous system consists of two parts, namely the central nervous system(CNS) and the peripheral nervous system (PNS)

Central nervous system

- Central nervous system essentially processing area
- The central nervous system consists of brain and the spinal cord.

Peripheral nervous system.

- Nerves connecting the central nervous system to the organs of the body constitute the peripheral nervous system.
- The peripheral nervous system consists of **12 pairs of cranial nerves** and **31 pairs of spinal nerves**.



Brain

- Brain is the central part of nervous system. It is the most complex organ in human body.
- The brain contains the greatest number of neurons in the nervous system.



Protection of the brain

- The brain is protected inside the skull made of bone.(cranium)
- It is covered by a three layered membrane called meninges.
- A nutritive fluid called cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) is filled within the inner membranes of meninges and the ventricles of the brain.

Cerebrospinal fluid

- The cerebrospinal fluid formed from blood is reabsorbed into the blood.
- It fills between the layers of meninges (brain and spinal cord), cerebral ventricles (cavities in the brain) and central canal (central part of spinal cord).

Functions of the cerebrospinal fluid (CSF)

- Provide nutrients and oxygen to the tissues of the brain
- Regulate the pressure inside the brain
- Protect the brain from injuries.

Parts of the brain

- Cerebrum, Cerebellum, Medulla oblongata, Thalamus and Hypothalamus
- Parts of the **brain** control and coordinate various life activities.



Parts	Location and peculiarities	Function
Cerebrum	 The largest part of the brain. Numerous fissures and folds are seen Grey matter is seen in the external cortex and white matter is seen in the internal medulla 	 Centre of thought, intelligence, memory and imagination. Evoke sensation like sight, hearing and taste etc are made possible by cerebrum. Controls voluntary movements
Cerebellum	The second largest part of the brain.Seen behind the cerebrum as two flapsFissures and grooves are present	 Coordinates muscular activities and maintains equilibrium of the body. (Body balance)
Medulla oblongata	 The rod shaped medulla oblongata is seen below the cerebrum, located near the cerebellum. 	• Controls involuntary actions like heartbeat, breathing etc.
Thalamus	 Situated below the cerebrum. 	 It acts as a relay station of impulses to and from the cerebrum. Analyses impulses from various parts of the body and sends the important

		ones to the cerebrum.
Hypothalamus	 Situated just below the thalamus. 	 Plays a major role in the maintenance of homeostasis

Necessity of wearing helmets while riding two wheelers
It is because of head injury that two wheeler drivers suffer from during accidents. Such conditions occur in 70 to 80 percent of the accidents.
Head injury results in the injury of the brain.
Helmet protects the brain from injury.
Two-wheelers don't have a body as other vehicles such as cars and buses have. Travellers in car and buses get some protection from the body of the vehicle.
Accidents mainly happen to the head with irrecoverable damage.
A person who wears helmet while driving a two- wheeler simply complies with the rules for his own safety

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