## THE CIRCULATORY SYSTEM

## Objectives

- Identify the different parts of the heart's structure
o Understand how the heart and blood vessels work together to make up the circulatory system


## Functions of the Circulatory System

1. TRANSPORT

- Move things around the body in the bloodstream
- Oxygen, nutrients (glucose), water and waste

2. BODY TEMPERATURE CONTROL

- More blood nearer the surface of the skin cools the body quicker
- That's why skin is redder after exercise 3. PROTECTION
- Moving antibodies around the body to fight disease


## The circulatory System

Right side of the heart pumps blood which is low in O2 to the lungs to pick up O2 Pulmonary Circulation

Vena Cava is a Vein, veins go towards the heart


Left side of the heart pumps blood that is rich in O 2 to all the parts of the body Systemic Circulation

Aorta is an Artery, Arteries go away from the heart

## The Heart



## How the Heart Pumps Blood


o When the heart is relaxed both sides fill with blood from the veins
o No blood can flow from the arteries as the semi-lunar valves are shut

## How the Heart pumps blood

- The atria contract.
o The veins contract where they join the aorta
o Blood from the atria is forced into the ventricles


## How the Heart pumps blood

- The ventricles contract
o The valves between the ventricles and atria close
o Blood is forced out of the heart into the arteries


## Blood Pressure

- Systolic Pressure = pressure of the blood in the arteries when the left ventricle contracts
- Diastolic Pressure = pressure of the blood in the arteries when the left ventricle relaxes


## Heart Rate

o The number of times your heart beats in one minute

- One expansion and contraction = Pulse

Carotid Artery Pulse
Radial Artery Pulse


## Heart rate and exercise (short

 term effects of exercise)- At rest average heart rate $=70 \mathrm{bpm}$
o Start to exercise it rises
o Maximum heart rate = 220-age
- Body desperate for O2 and getting rid of
 CO2


## Heart rate and exercise (long term effects of exercise)

- Heart grows bigger and stronger hypertrophy
- Heart can hold more blood and contract more strongly bigger stroke volume
- Resting pulse rate decreases
- A fit person has
- Lower resting heart rate
- Lower heart rate during exercise
- Quicker recovery



## Stroke Volume

- The volume of blood pumped out of the heart by each ventricle during one contraction
- How increases stroke volume during exercise
- Contracting muscles squeeze on your veins, causing more blood to squirt back into the heart
- The heart gets fuller - fibres stretch more
- Because fibres are more stretched the heart contracts strongly- stronger contraction forces more blood out


## Cardiac Output

o The amount of blood ejected from the heart in one minute

- Heart rate $x$ stroke volume = cardiac output e.g 70 bpm $\times 70 \mathrm{ml}=4.91$
- At rest - two identical people Unfit $4.91=70 \mathrm{ml} \times 70 \mathrm{bpm}$
Fit $4.91=90 \mathrm{ml} \times 55 \mathrm{bpm}$
- During exercise ( 15 years old) Unfit $=120 \mathrm{ml} \times 205$ bpm $=24.61$
Fit $=150 \mathrm{ml} \times 205 \mathrm{bpm}=30.81$


## Age and the Cardiovascular

## System

o As you get older

- Maximum heart rate drops
- Cardiac output is less
- Intense exercise cannot be sustained for as long
- However ... A good aerobic (endurance) based training programme can up to the age of 80 give a person the oxygen transporting system of someone 20 years younger


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