

## The Skeleton

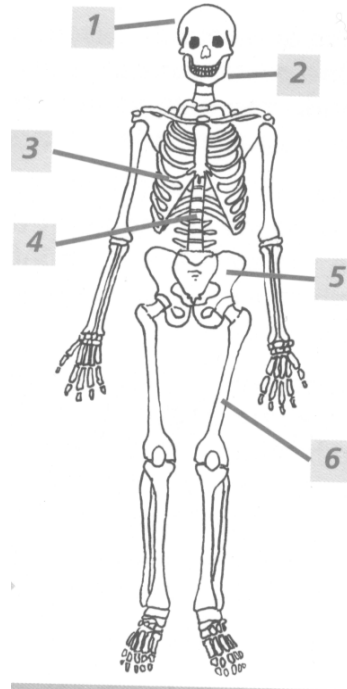
The bones inside your body are joined together to make your skeleton. There are over 200 bones in your skeleton. Some of them, such as those in your ear, are very small; while others, like those in your leg are quite large.

Your skeleton does **3** main jobs:

**It supports your body and stops you from flopping over.**

**It helps you to move.**

**It protects some of your organs. For example, the skull protects your brain and your ribs protect you heart and lungs.**



(1) Which label on the skeleton points to :  
a. skull \_\_\_ b. ribs \_\_\_ c. backbone \_\_\_  
d. jaw \_\_\_ e. pelvis \_\_\_ f. thighbone \_\_\_

(2) Which of the bones labelled would you be moving when:

- a. You talk \_\_\_\_\_
- b. You walk \_\_\_\_\_
- c. You breathe deeply? \_\_\_\_\_

(3) Not all animals have skeletons. Which of the following animals do not have a skeleton?

- a. fish \_\_\_ b. worm \_\_\_ c. slug \_\_\_
- d. rabbit \_\_\_ e. frog \_\_\_ f. jellyfish \_\_\_

(4) Copy and complete the passage:

The skull and the ribs are made of **b**\_\_\_\_ and form part of the **s**\_\_\_\_\_. The **s**\_\_\_\_ is found in the head where it protects the **b**\_\_\_\_. The **r**\_\_\_\_ are found in the **c**\_\_\_\_\_, where they protect the **h**\_\_\_\_ and **l**\_\_\_\_\_.

