



**Video – National Geographic – Digestion**

1. Describe the function of saliva and the tongue with digestion in the mouth.
2. List the four tastes that can be sensed by our taste buds.
3. a. List two harmful effects of bacteria in the digestive system.  
  
b. List one helpful effect of bacteria in the digestive system.
4. What is peristalsis, and what job does it do within the digestive tract?
5. Describe how food is prevented from entering the trachea during swallowing.
6. Describe what the gastric juices of the stomach do.
7. What is the function of bile?
8. Describe the structure and function of the villi within the small intestine.
9. What happens to nutrients that are absorbed in the small intestine?
10. Describe what happens within the large intestine.