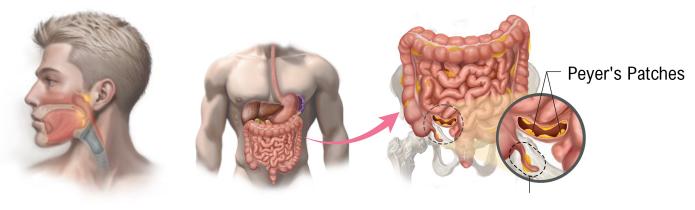
#### Introduction to MALT

- ◆ Mucosa-Associated Lymphoid Tissues (MALT): collection of lymphoid tissues that line \_\_\_\_\_ membranes.
  - Frontline defense against pathogens trying to enter body through mucosal surfaces.
  - ▶ Located throughout mucosal \_\_\_\_\_ of respiratory, digestive, urinary, & reproductive systems.
  - ▶ Most MALT \_\_\_\_\_ an exterior capsule but some may be partially encapsulated.
- ◆ The largest collections of MALT are the tonsils, Peyer's patches, & the appendix.



**Appendix** 

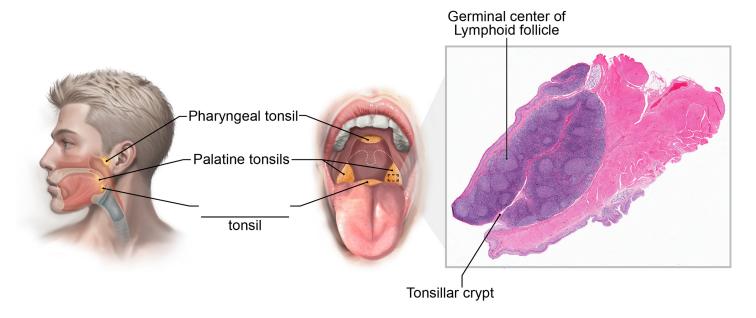
### **EXAMPLE**

Which of the following body areas does not typically contain MALT?

- a) Respiratory tract.
- b) Digestive tract.
- c) Central nervous system.
- d) Urogenital tract.

### **Tonsils**

- ◆ Tonsils: collection of MALT around entrance of the pharynx (throat), removing pathogens from food & air.
  - ▶ Tonsils are \_\_\_\_\_ fully encapsulated & their epithelium invaginates interiorly to form tonsillar \_\_\_\_\_
  - ▶ There are \_\_\_\_\_ main sets of tonsils that are named according to their location.



#### **EXAMPLE**

What is the primary function of the tonsils?

- a) Aiding in digestion in the mouth by secreting enzymes that break down fats & carbohydrates.
- b) Secreting mucus to prevent the mouth from drying out.
- c) Producing essential hormones.
- d) Initiating immune responses & "trapping" pathogens.

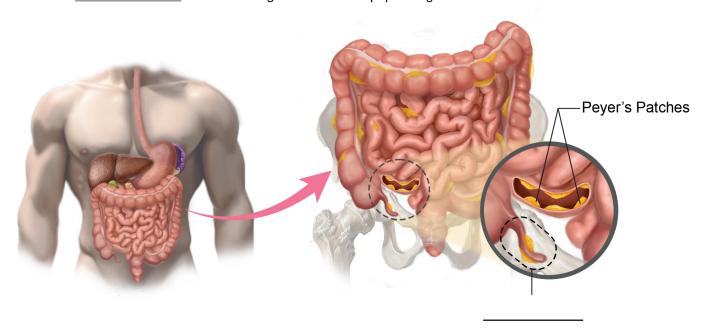
#### PRACTICE

Which pair of tonsils trap pathogens at the posterior end of the oral cavity?

- a) Palatine tonsils.
- b) Pharyngeal tonsils.
- c) Lingual tonsils.
- d) All 3 pairs of tonsils.

## Digestive System Immunity: Peyer's Patches & Appendix

- ◆ Peyer's Patches: lymphoid follicles located on \_\_\_\_\_terior wall of distal portion of small intestine (ileum).
  - Prevents large intestine bacteria from escaping into small intestine.
- ◆ **Appendix:** a tubular extension of 1st part of large intestine (\_\_\_\_\_\_) containing lymphoid follicles.
  - Generates "memory" lymphocytes for \_\_\_\_\_-term immunity.
  - Serves as a \_\_\_\_\_ for beneficial gut bacteria to repopulate gut microbiome after disturbances.



### **EXAMPLE**

Clusters of lymphoid nodules in the wall of the ileum of the small intestine are \_\_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Tonsils.
- b) Appendix.
- c) Peyer's Patches.
- d) Lymph Nodes.

#### PRACTICE

Which of the following is not considered to be MALT?

- a) Thymus.
- b) Tonsils.
- c) Peyer's Patches.
- d) Appendix.

# PRACTICE

Which of the following is a function of the appendix?

- a) Production of digestive enzymes.
- b) Storage of bile.
- c) Regulation of blood sugar levels.
- d) Immune response in the gut.