

Respiratory System Vocab

air sac	air-filled spaces in the body
alveoli	very small air sacs; where air breathed in goes
bronchial tubes	two tubes at the end of the trachea, brings in air from trachea and helps clean lungs; one tube goes to right lung, one to left
diaphragm	sheet-like muscle separating the chest from the abdominal cavity; creates suction to draw in air and expand lungs
exhale	to breathe out
inhale	to breathe in
larynx	voice box
lungs	two respiratory organs
nasal passages (nasal cavity)	helps with inhaling and exhaling of air through the nose
pharynx	throat; collects incoming air from the nose and passes air to the trachea
respiration	inhaling and exhaling air, breathing
ribs	bones that protect and support the chest
sinuses	hollow spaces in the bones of the head, helps regulate temperature of air breathed in
trachea	windpipe; passage from pharynx to lungs