

WEEK 4 EMBRYO

General features

Primordia of the brain

Somites

Primordia of the heart

Upper limbs bud

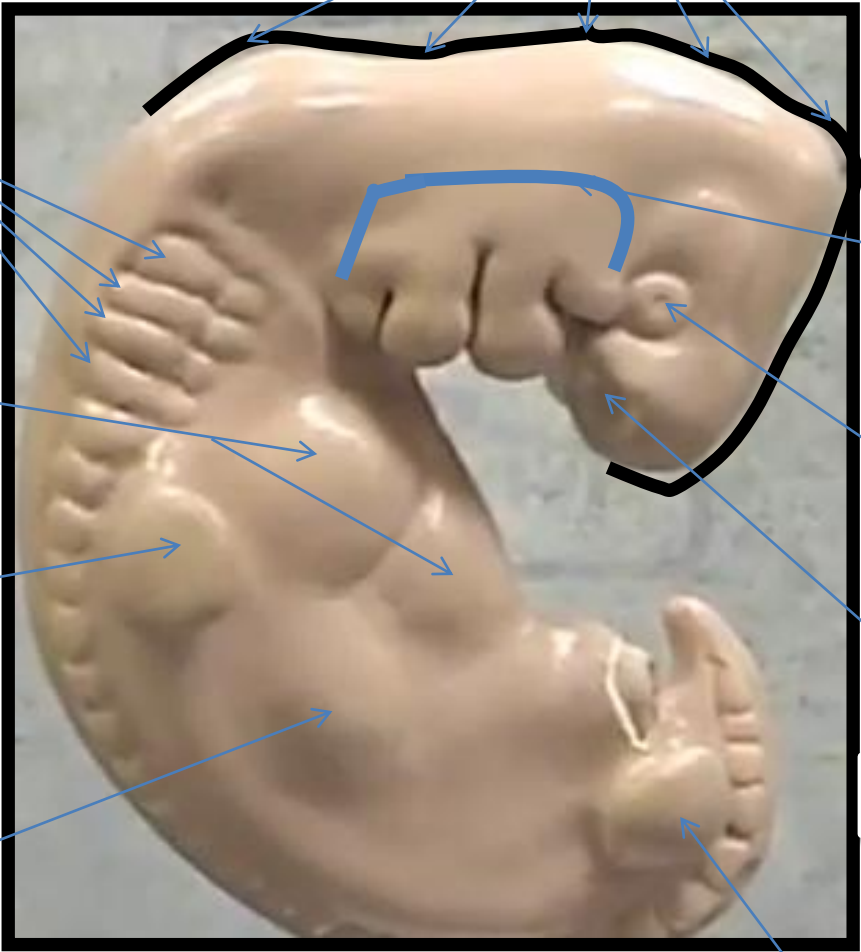
Primordia of the liver

Branchial arches

Primordia of the eye

Primordia of the nose

Lower limbs bud

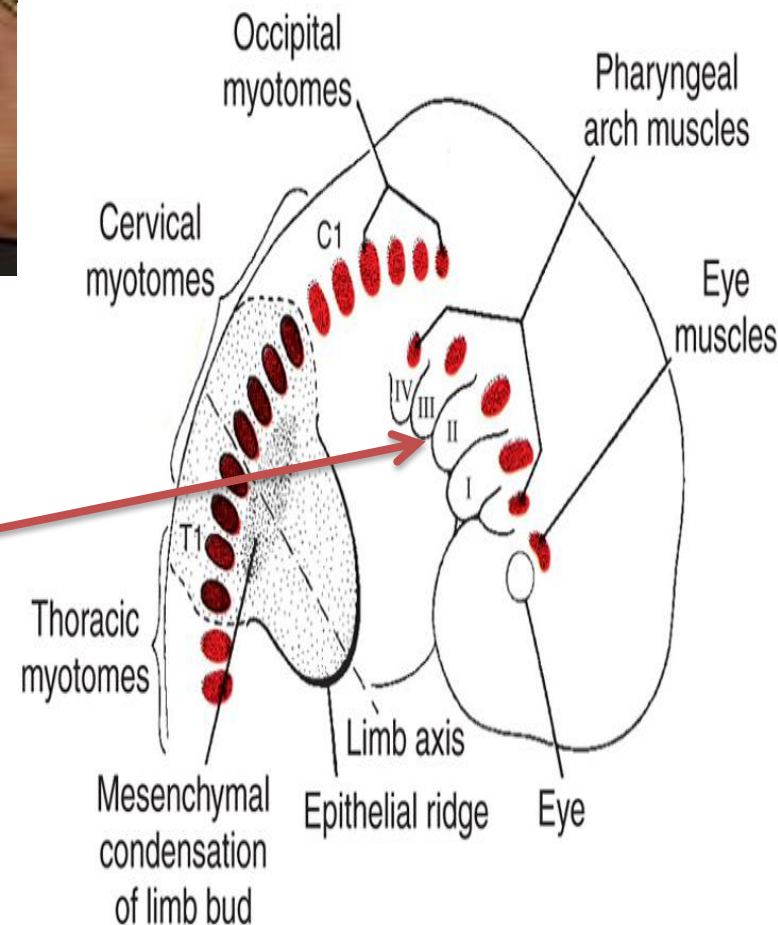


The most important feature in the development of the head and neck is the
Formation of
THE PHARYNGEAL OR BRANCHIAL ARCHES



Is it branchial or is it pharyngeal arch ?

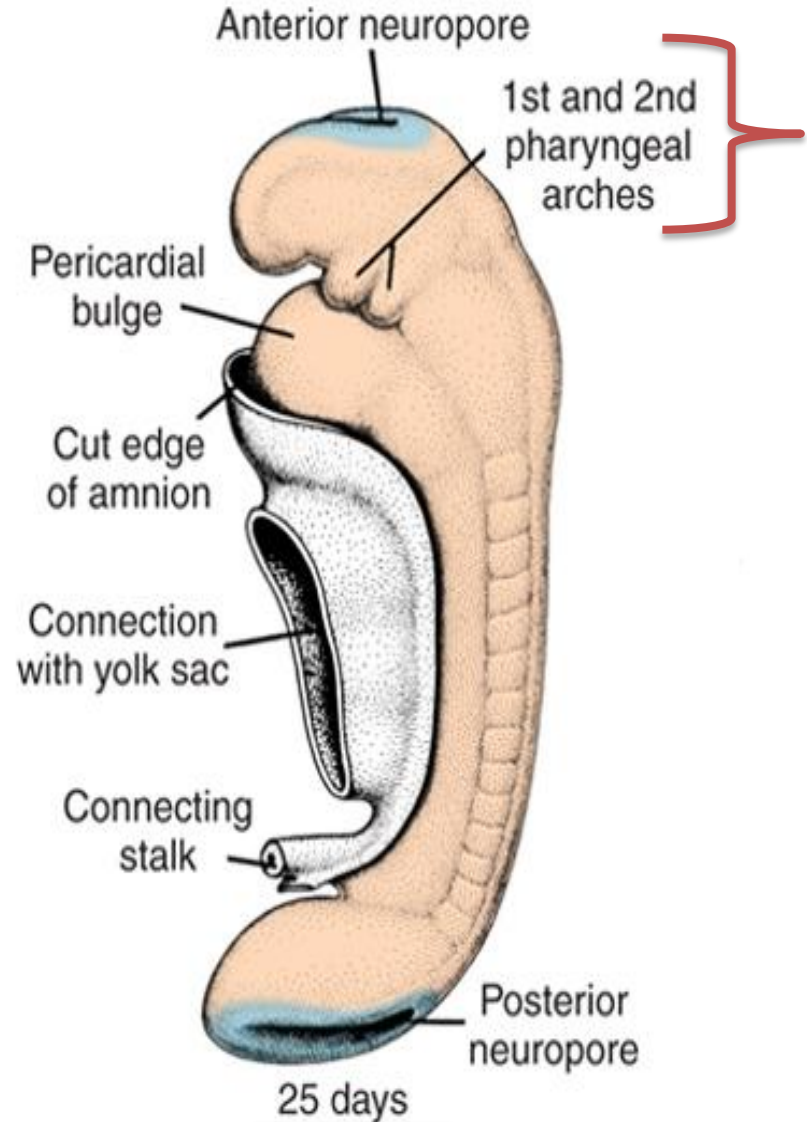
development of pharyngeal arches resembles formation of **gills in fish**



However, in the human embryo **real gills (branchia) are never** formed. Therefore, the term **pharyngeal arches** has been adopted for the human embryo.

When they appear?

THE PHARYNGEAL ARCHES
appear
in the **fourth and fifth**
weeks of development



In a cross section of the embryo in the area of the head and neck

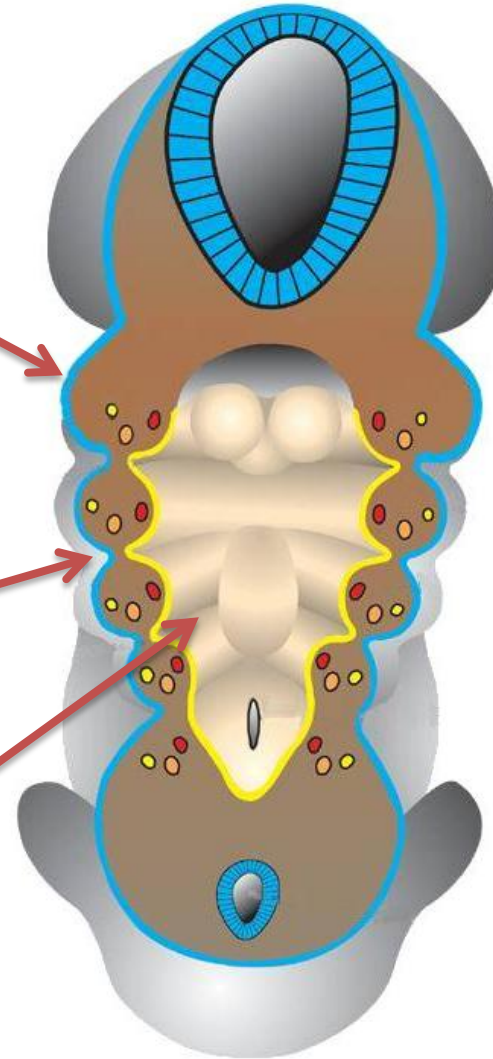
The following can be noticed

THE PHARYNGEAL ARCHES

THE PHARYNGEAL ARCHES
are separated
by deep clefts known as
**PHARYNGEAL
CLEFTS**

with development of the arches and clefts,
a number of outpocketings,

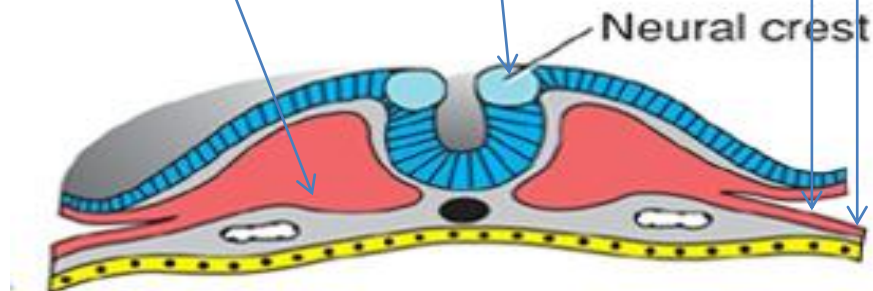
**The pharyngeal
pouches appear**



Why the appear?

Migration of cells from

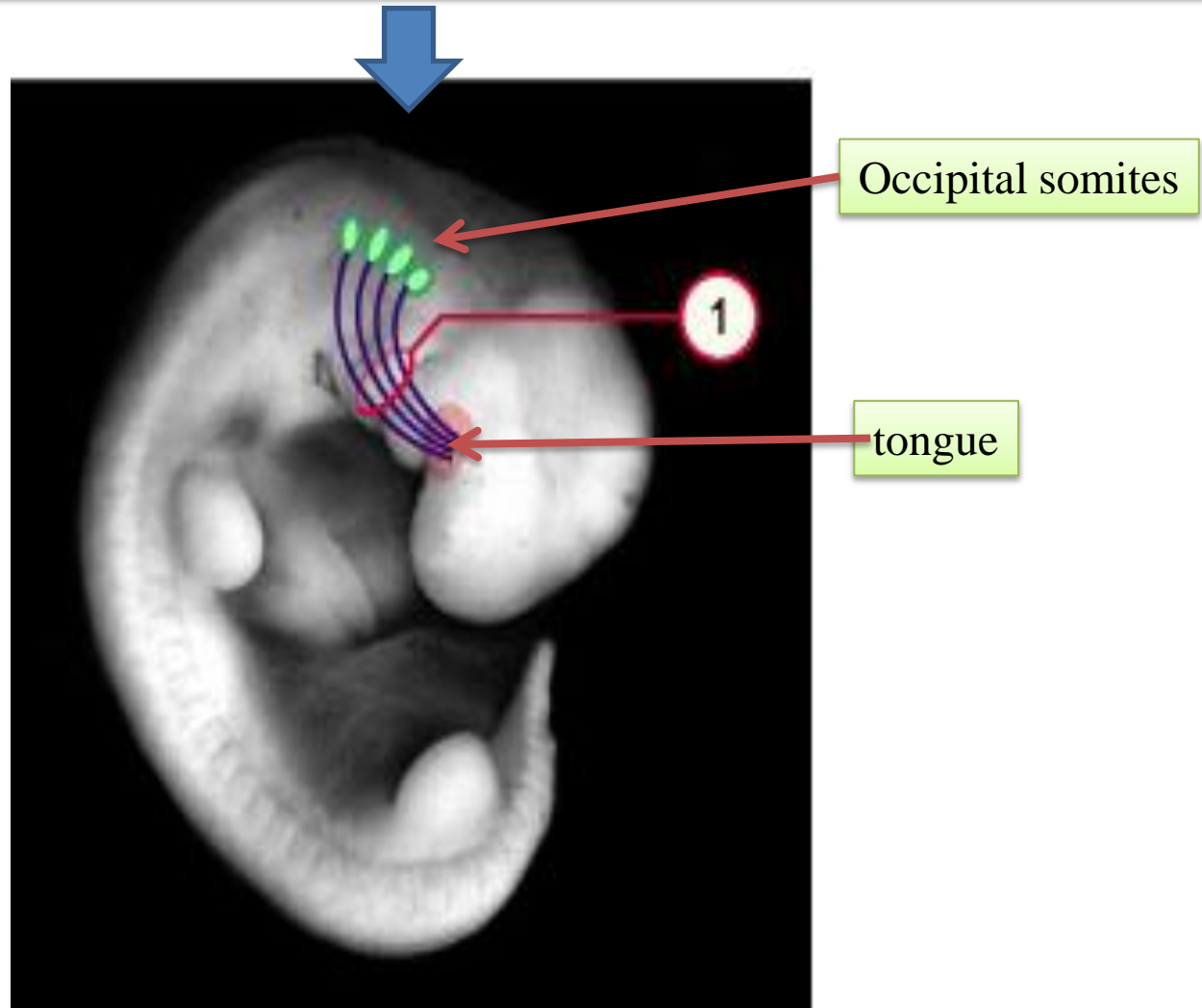
- 1-PARAXIAL MESODERM**
- 2-LATERAL PLATE**
- MESODERM**
- 3-NEURAL CREST**



Migration of the cells from the occipital Myotomes into the future mouth to form the tongue

This is an explanation to how the arches appear.... as a result of migration of the cells from the medial mesoderm (somites) into the regions of the future head and neck.

As we mentioned there are other reasons

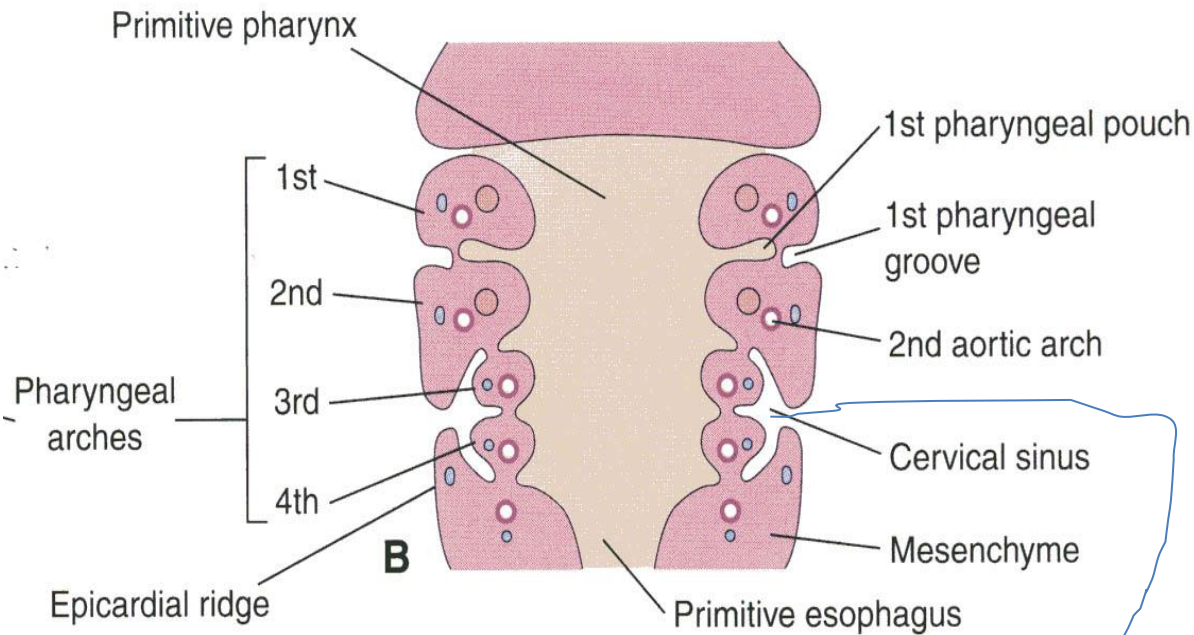


1-PHARYNGEAL ARCHS

How many arches?

6

However, The fifth and sixth arches are rudimentary and are not visible on the surface of the embryo



note

During the fifth week, the second pharyngeal arch enlarges and overgrows the third and fourth arches, forming the ectodermal depression called **cervical sinus**

They are numbered in craniocaudal sequence

Each pharyngeal arch consists of:

**1-surface
ECTODERM**

**2-a core of
MESENCHYMAL tissue**

**3- epithelium of ENDODERMAL
origin**

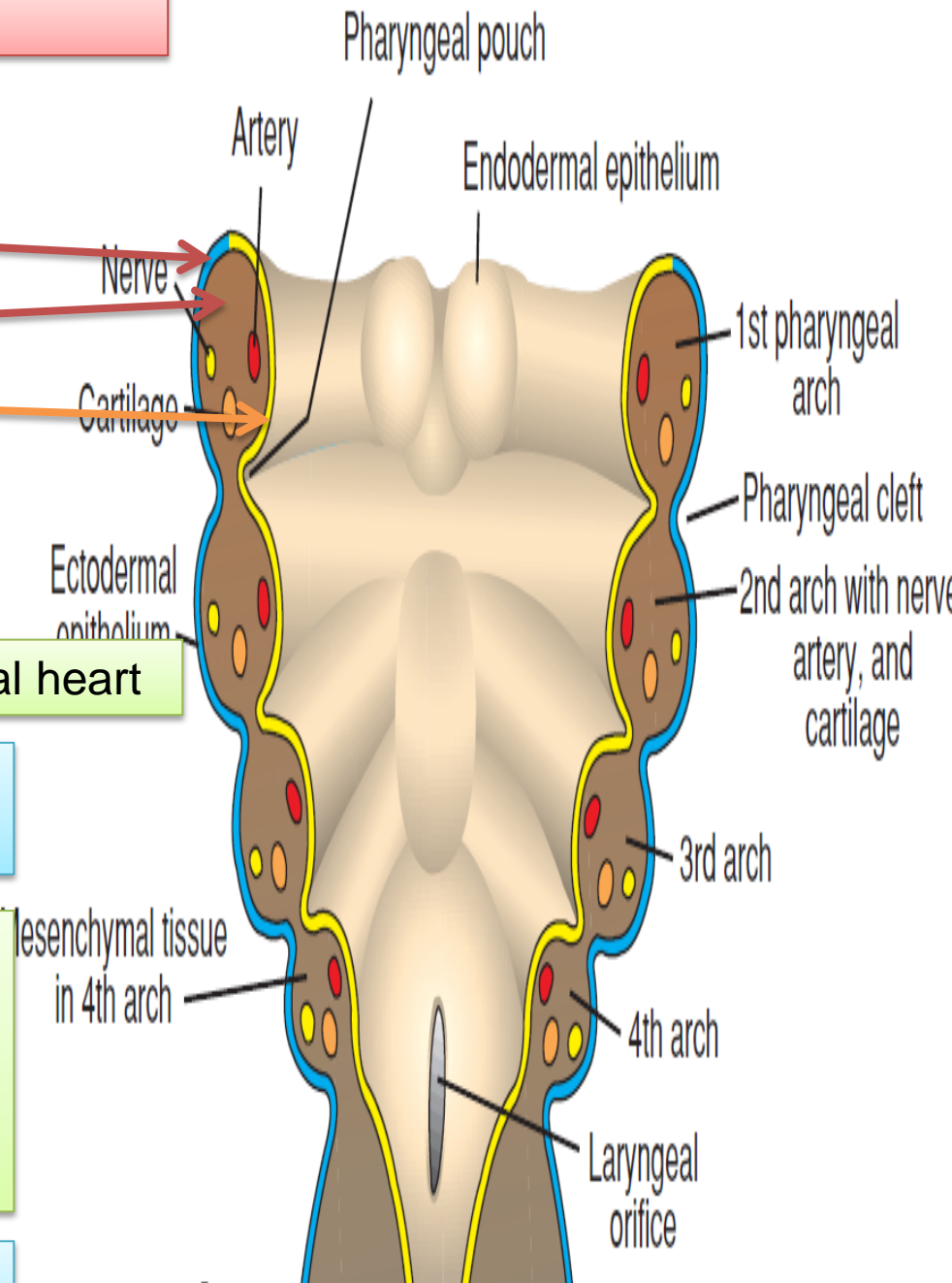
Each pharyngeal arch contains:

1- An artery that arises from the primordial heart

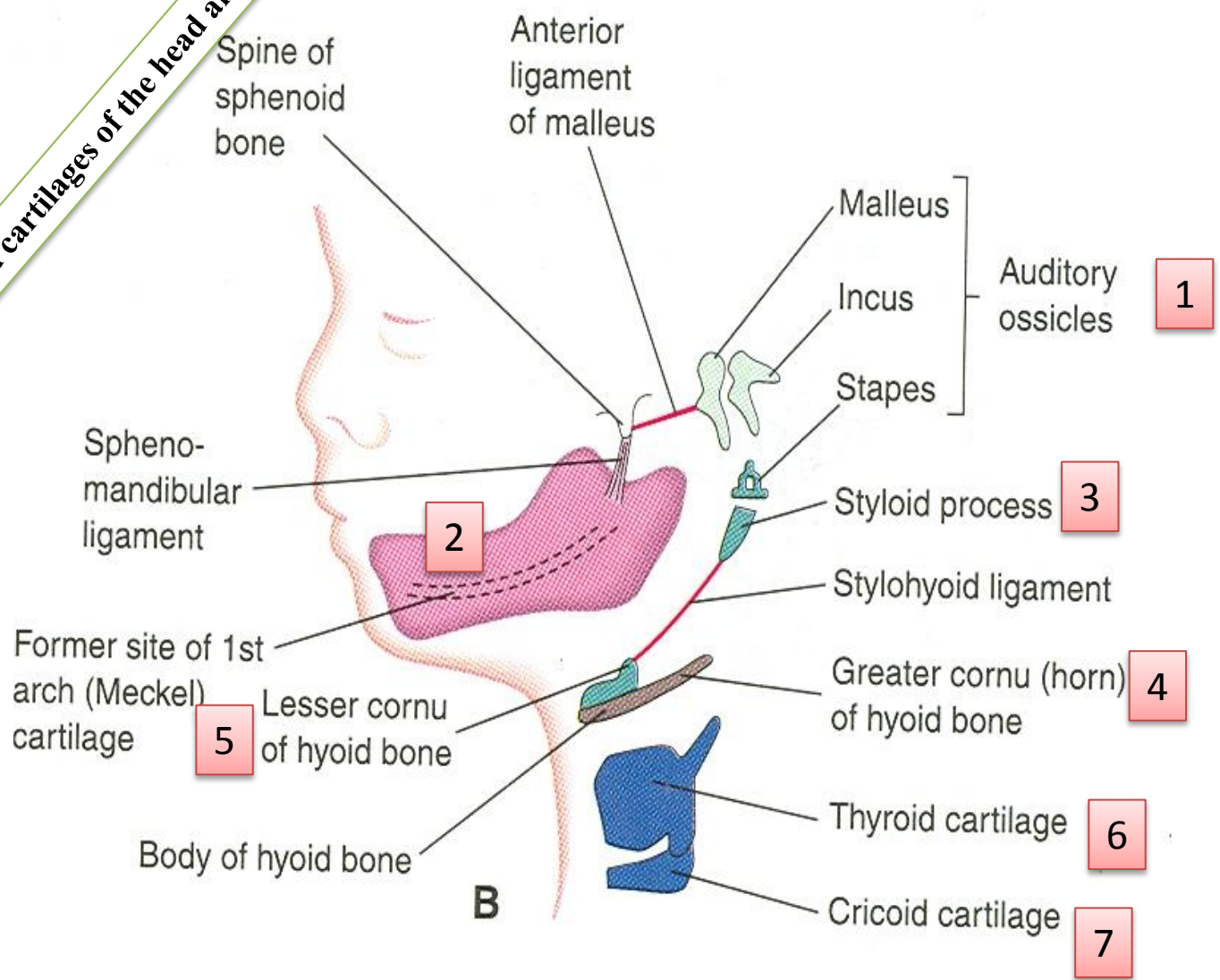
2. A cartilaginous rod, forms the skeleton of the arch

3. Muscular component gives the muscles in the head and neck (each arch has its own cranial nerve and wherever the muscle cells migrate, they carry their nerve component with them)

4. Nerve, supplies the mucosa and muscles derived from the arch

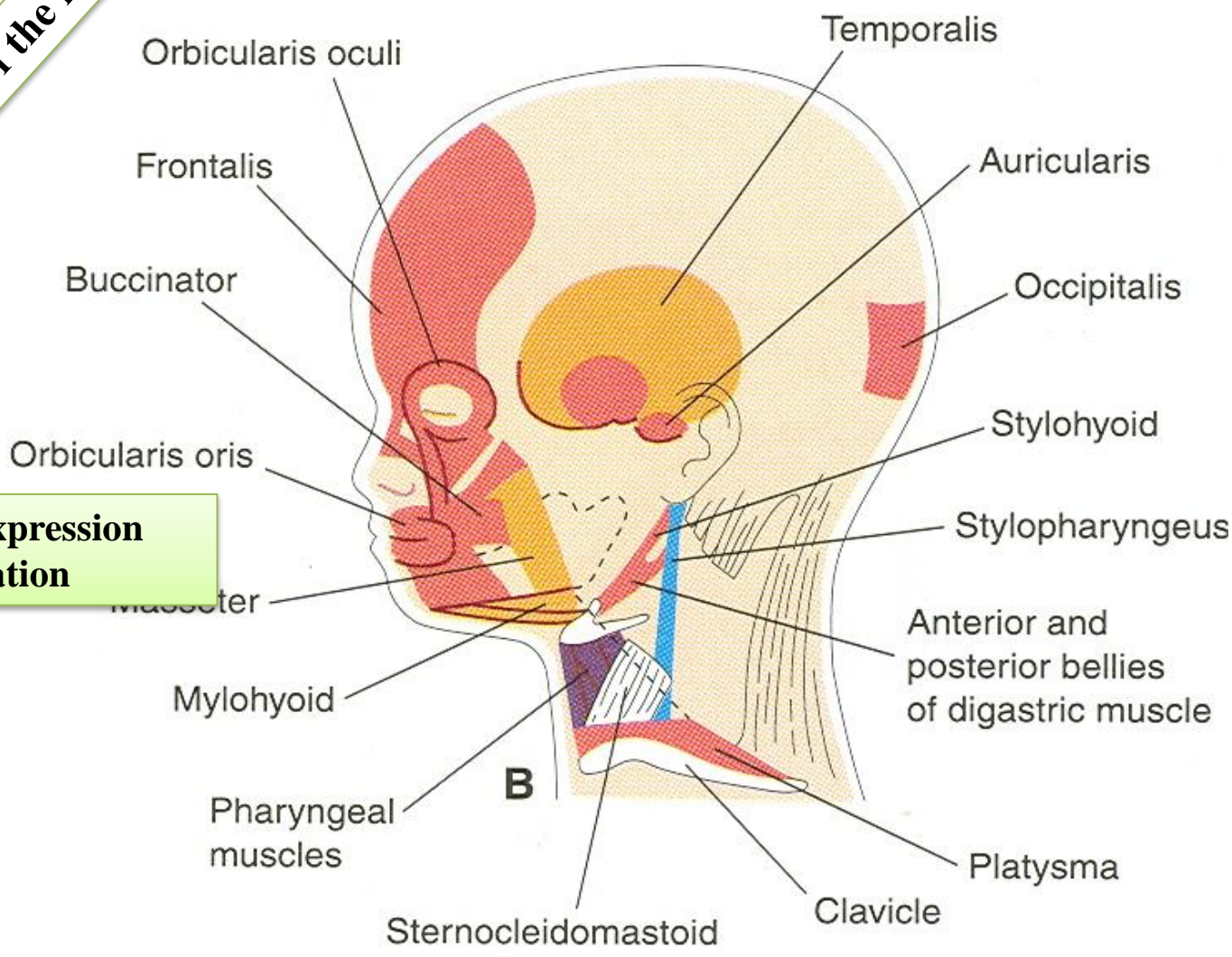


What are the bones and cartilages of the head and neck?

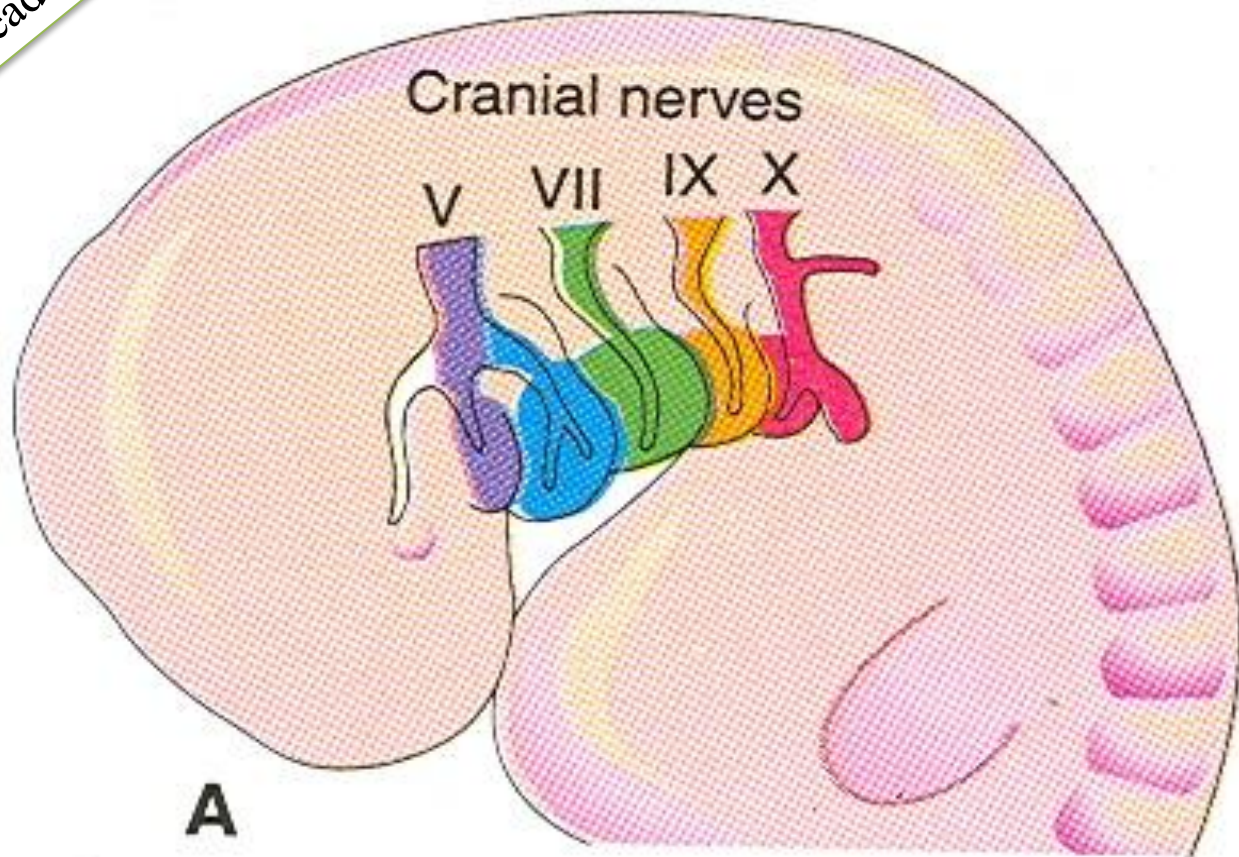


What are the muscles of the head?

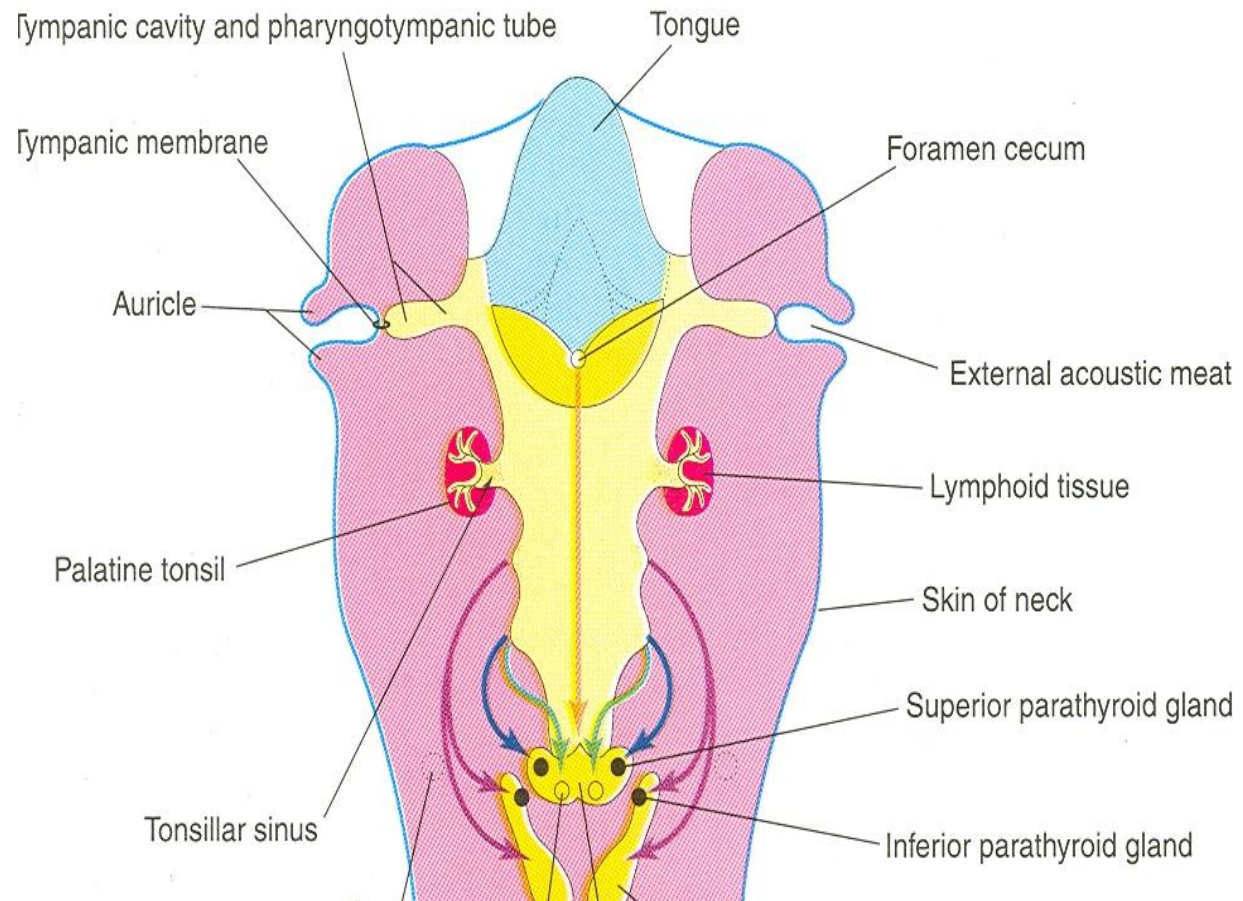
- 1- Muscles of facial expression**
- 2- Muscles of mastication**



Nerves of the head and neck?

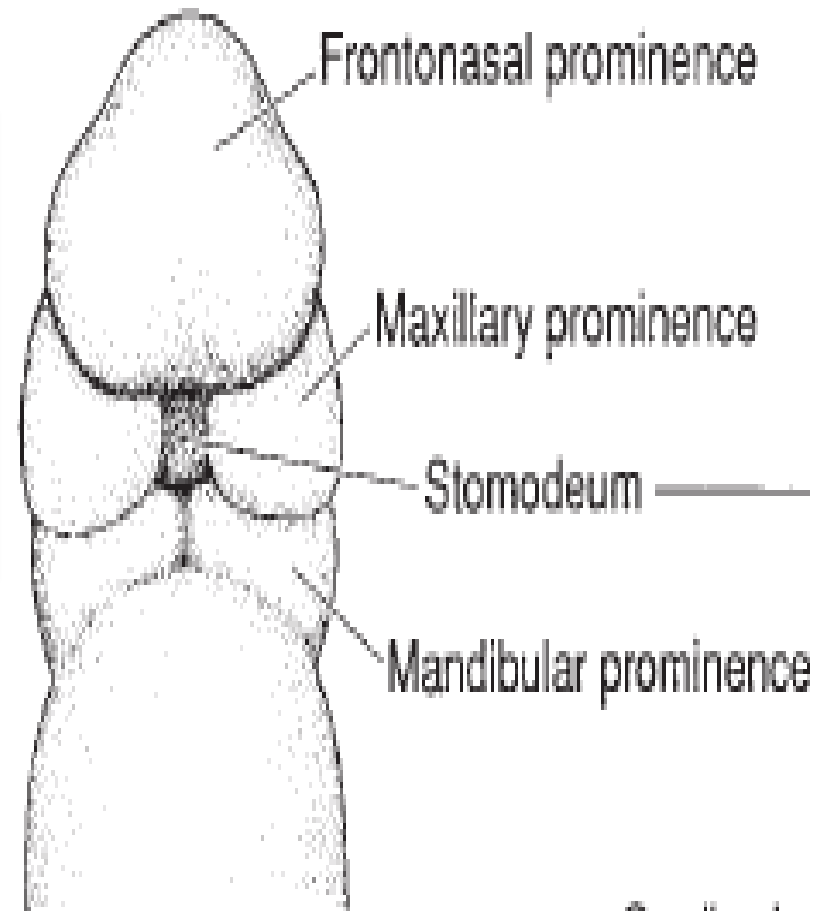


What are the organs of the head and neck?



FIRST PHARYNGEAL ARCH

The first pharyngeal arch consists of
1- A DORSAL PORTION
THE MAXILLARY PROCESS
and
2-A VENTRAL PORTION
THE MANDIBULAR PROCESS
which contains Meckel's cartilage



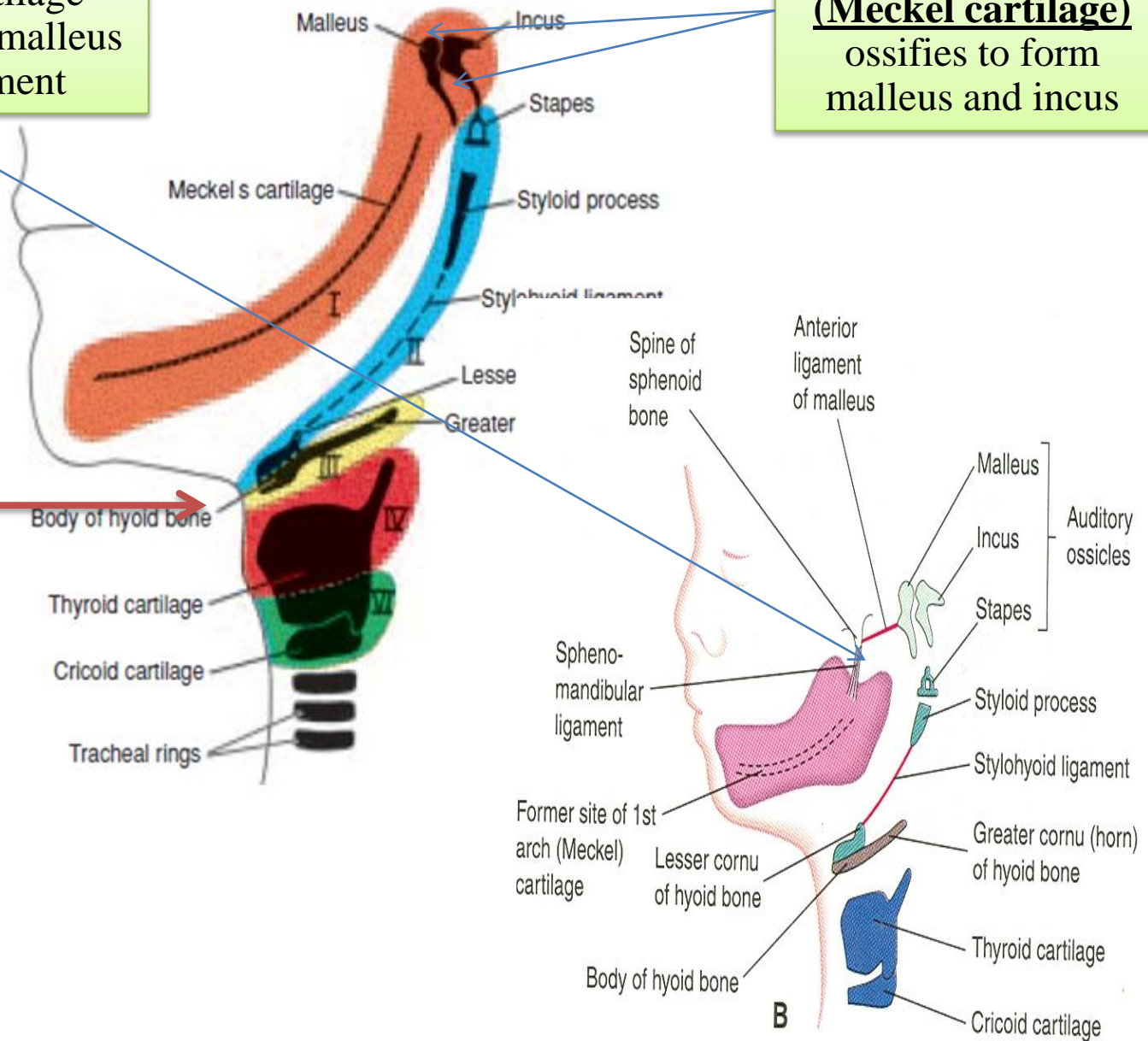
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Cartilaginous derivatives of the first pharyngeal arch

2-The middle part of cartilage forms anterior ligament of malleus sphenomandibular ligament

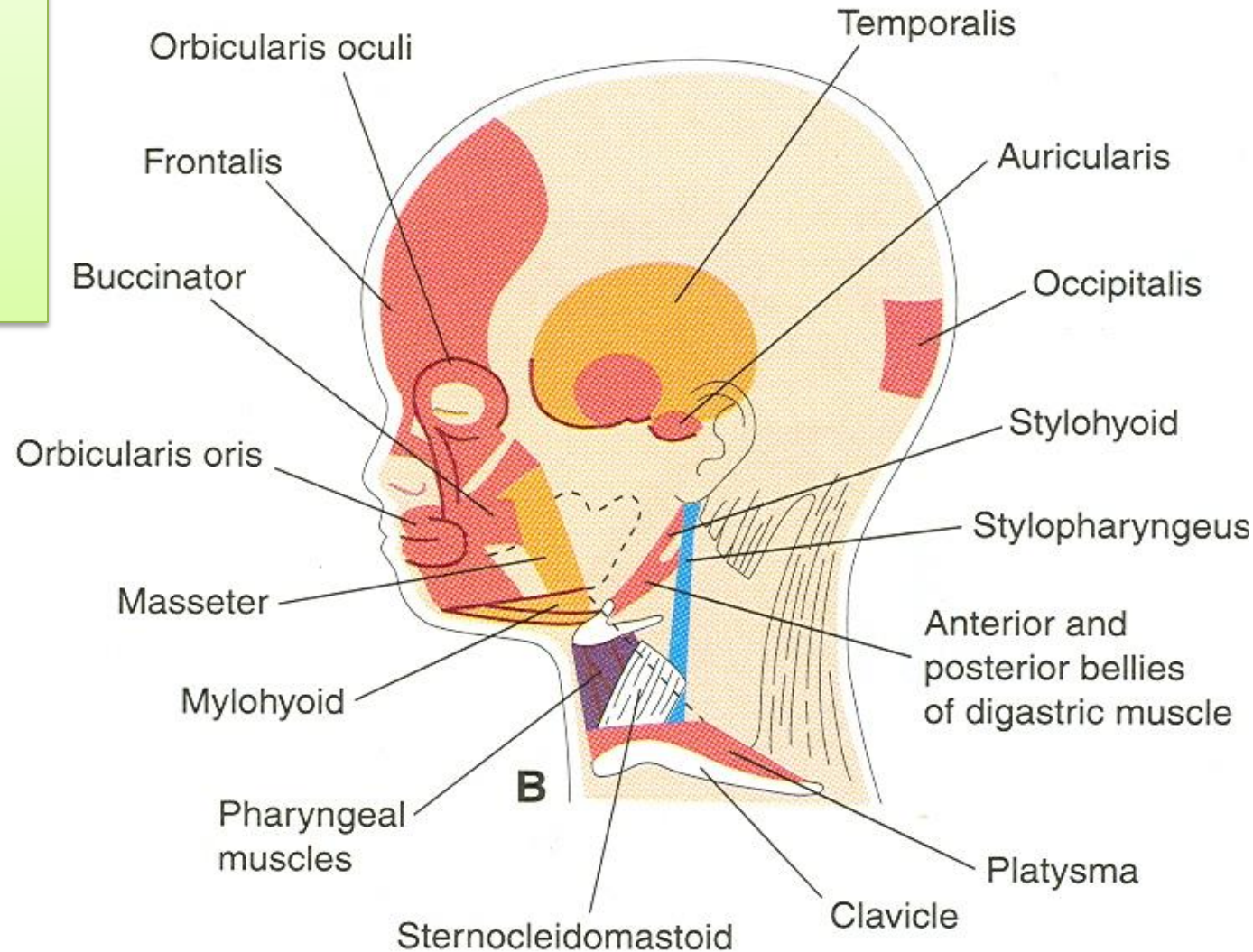
1-The dorsal end of first arch cartilage (**Meckel cartilage**) ossifies to form malleus and incus

3-Ventral part of the first arch cartilages form primordium of the mandible. The cartilage disappears as mandible develops around it



Muscular Derivatives of first Pharyngeal Arch

- 1-The **muscles of mastication**
(temporalis, masseter, and pterygoids),
- 2-**Anterior belly of the digastric**
- 3-**mylohyoid**
- 4-**tensor tympani, and tensor palatini**



**The nerve supply to the muscles of
the first arch is provided by
the mandibular branch of the trigeminal nerve**

**Since mesenchyme from the first arch
also contributes
to the dermis of the face,
sensory supply to the skin of the face
is provided by
ophthalmic, maxillary, and mandibular
branches of the trigeminal nerve.**

SECOND PHARYNGEAL ARCH (HYOID ARCH)

➤ The cartilage of the **second or hyoid arch (Reichert's cartilage)**

gives rise to:

- 1- The stapes ★
- 2- Styloid process of the temporal bone ★
- 3- Stylohyoid ligament ★
- 4- The lesser horn and the upper part of the body of the hyoid bone ★

Muscles of the hyoid arch are:

- 1- The stapedius
- 2- Stylohyoid
- 3- Posterior belly of the digastric
- 4- Auricular, and
- 5- muscles of facial expression

The nerve of the second arch is

The facial nerve, supplies all of these muscles

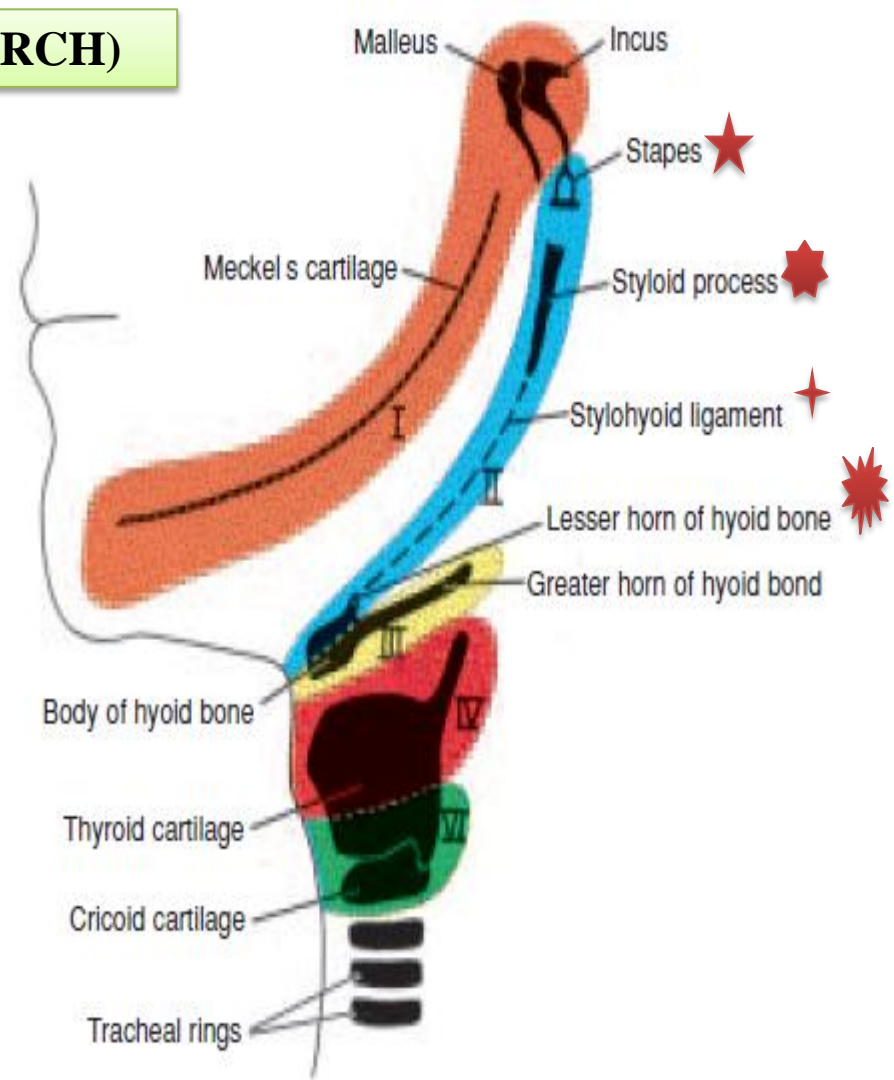


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THIRD PHARYNGEAL ARCH

The cartilage of the third pharyngeal arch produces:

1- The lower part of the body and greater horn of the hyoid bone

2- The musculature is limited to the stylopharyngeus muscles

These muscles are innervated by the
GLOSSOPHARYNGEAL
NERVE
the nerve of the third arch

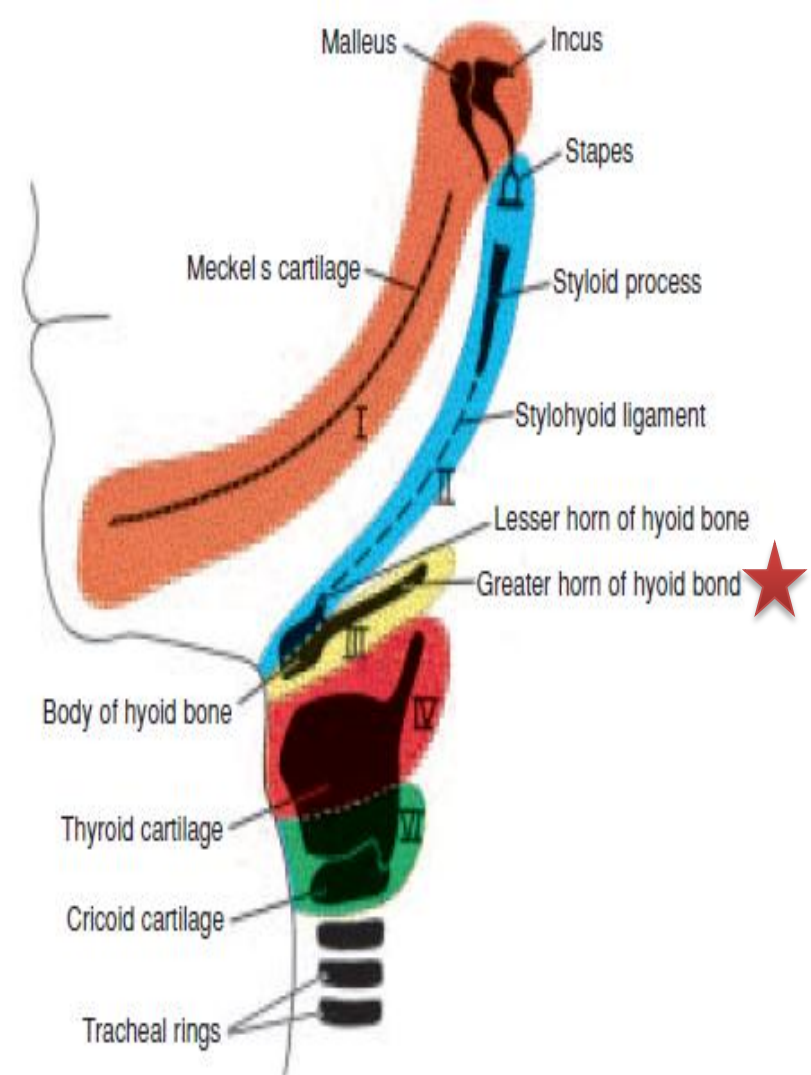


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FOURTH AND SIXTH PHARYNGEAL ARCHES

Cartilaginous components of the fourth and sixth pharyngeal arches fuse to form

1-THE THYROID

2-CRICOID

3-ARYTENOID

4-CORNICULATE

5- CUNEIFORM

CARTILAGES

The cartilages of the LARYNX

Pharyngeal Arch	Nerve	Muscles	Skeleton
4-6	X. Vagus	Cricothyroid; levator palatine; constrictors of pharynx	Laryngeal cartilages (thyroid, cricoid, arytenoid, corniculate, cuneiform)
	Superior laryngeal branch (nerve to fourth arch)		
	Recurrent laryngeal branch (nerve to sixth arch)	Intrinsic muscles of larynx	

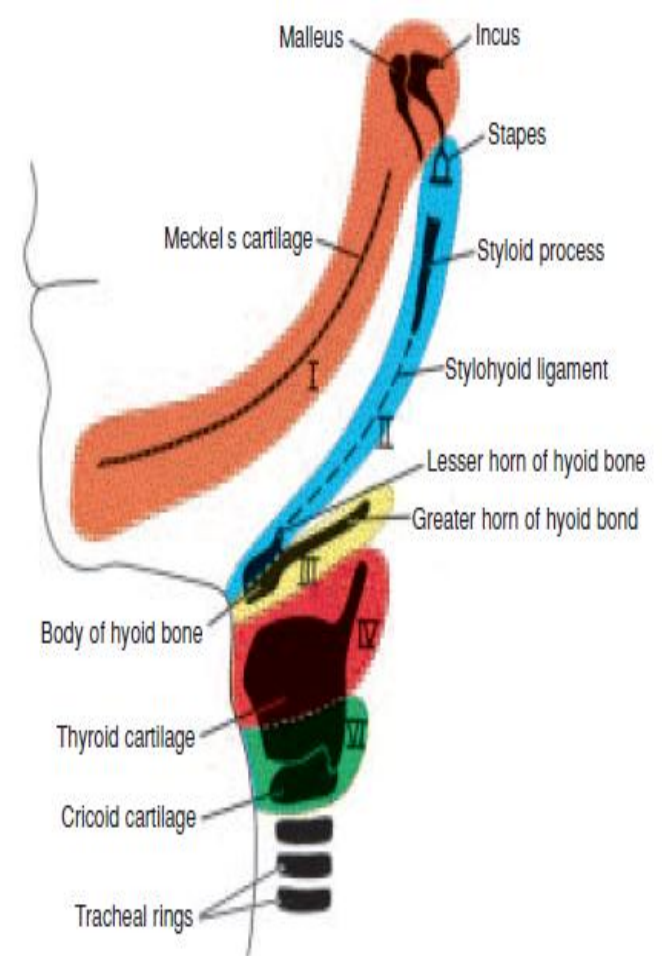
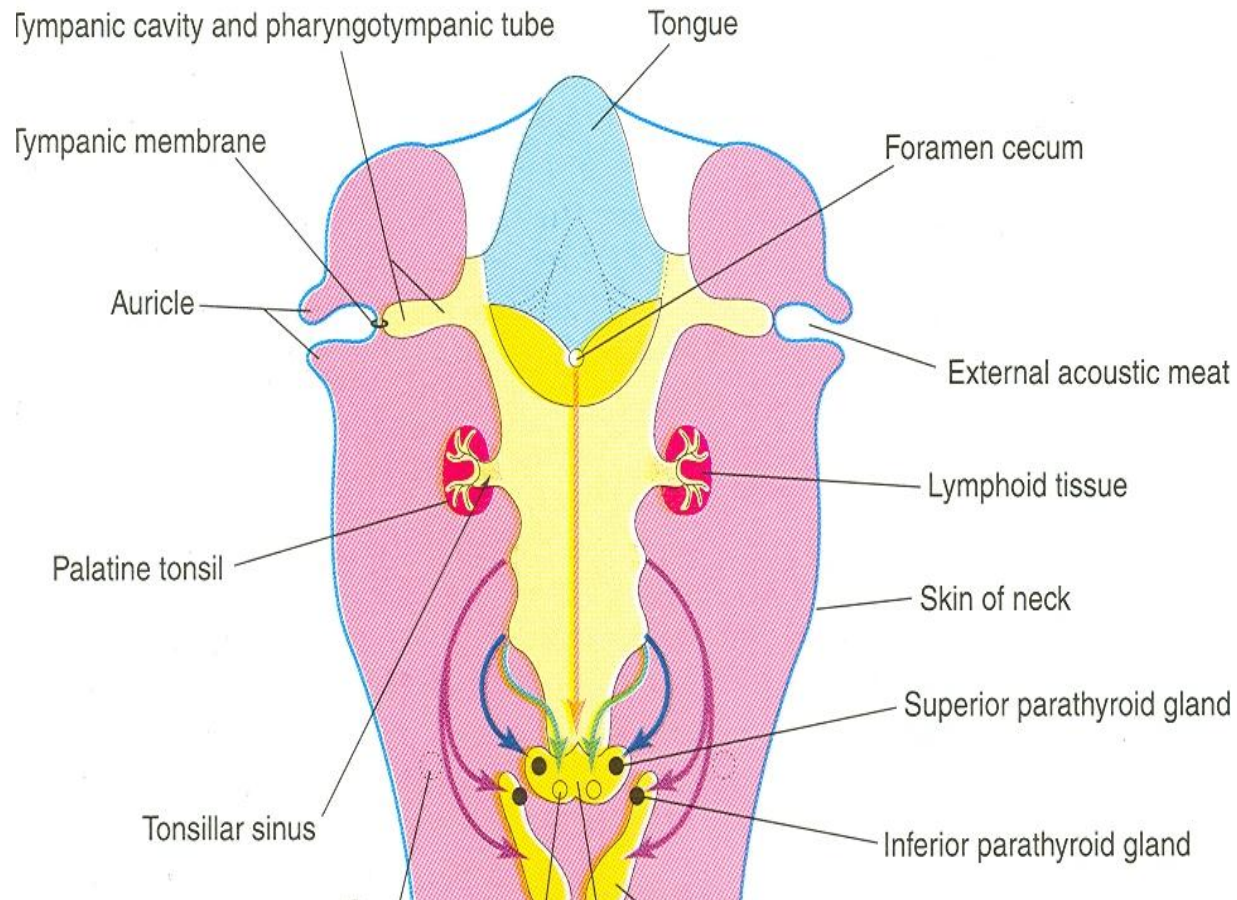


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2-PHARYNGEAL POUCHES



The human embryo has
FIVE PAIRS
of pharyngeal pouches
❖ The last one of these is atypical
and often considered as part of the
fourth

FIRST PHARYNGEAL POUCH
forms a diverticulum called the
tubotympanic recess

The FIRST PHARYNGEAL
POUCH
comes in contact with the epithelial
lining of the first pharyngeal cleft
the future
EXTERNAL AUDITORY
MEATUS

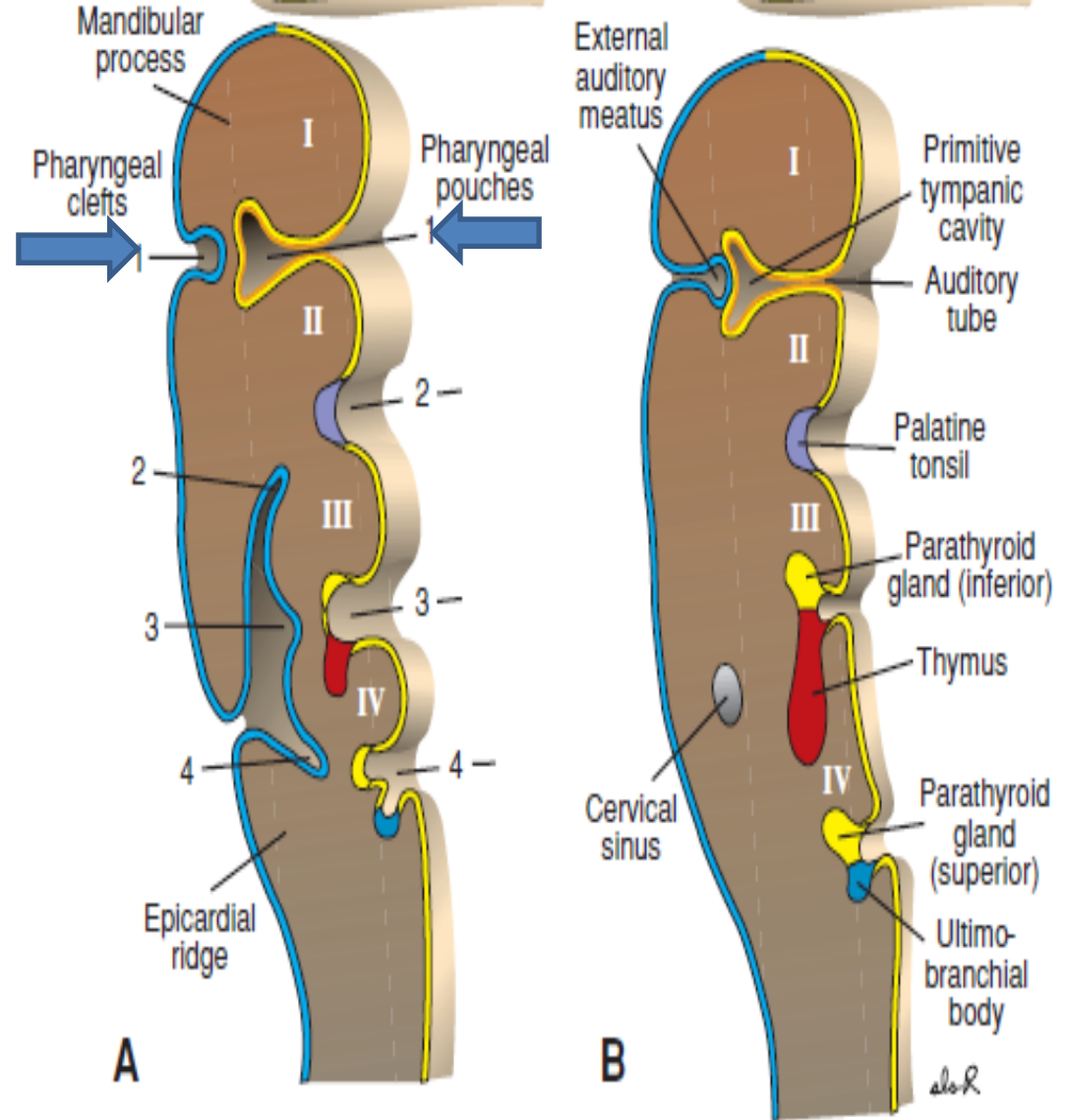


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The **distal** portion of the diverticulum widens into a saclike structure

the primitive tympanic or

MIDDLE EAR CAVITY

and the **proximal** part remains narrow, forming

THE AUDITORY (eustachian) tube

The lining of the tympanic cavity later aids in formation of the tympanic membrane or eardrum

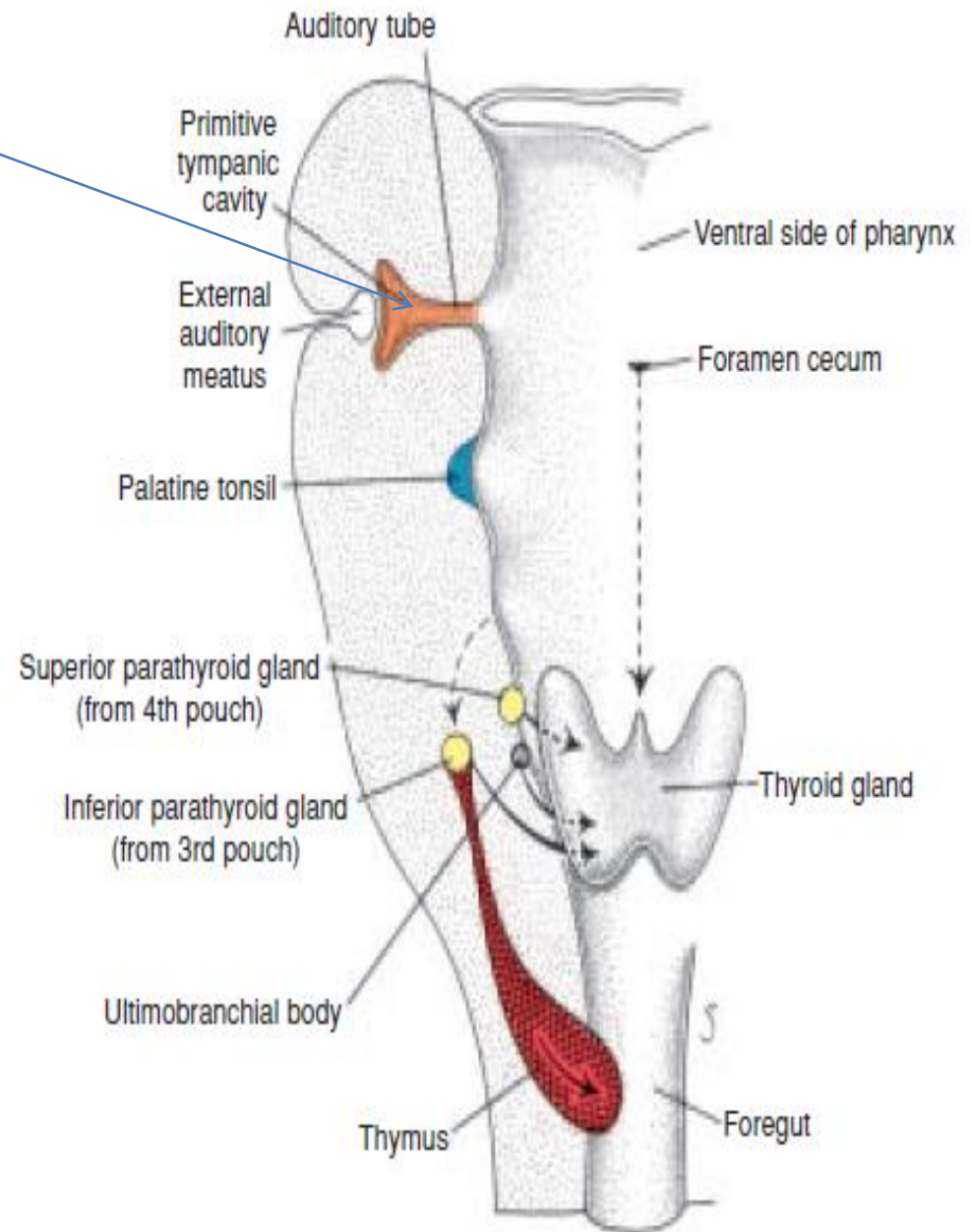


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SECOND PHARYNGEAL POUCH

The epithelial lining of the second pharyngeal pouch proliferates and forms

THE PRIMORDIUM OF THE PALATINE TONSIL

During the third and fifth months, the tonsil is infiltrated by lymphatic tissue

Part of the pouch remains and is found in the adult as the **TONSILLAR FOSSA**

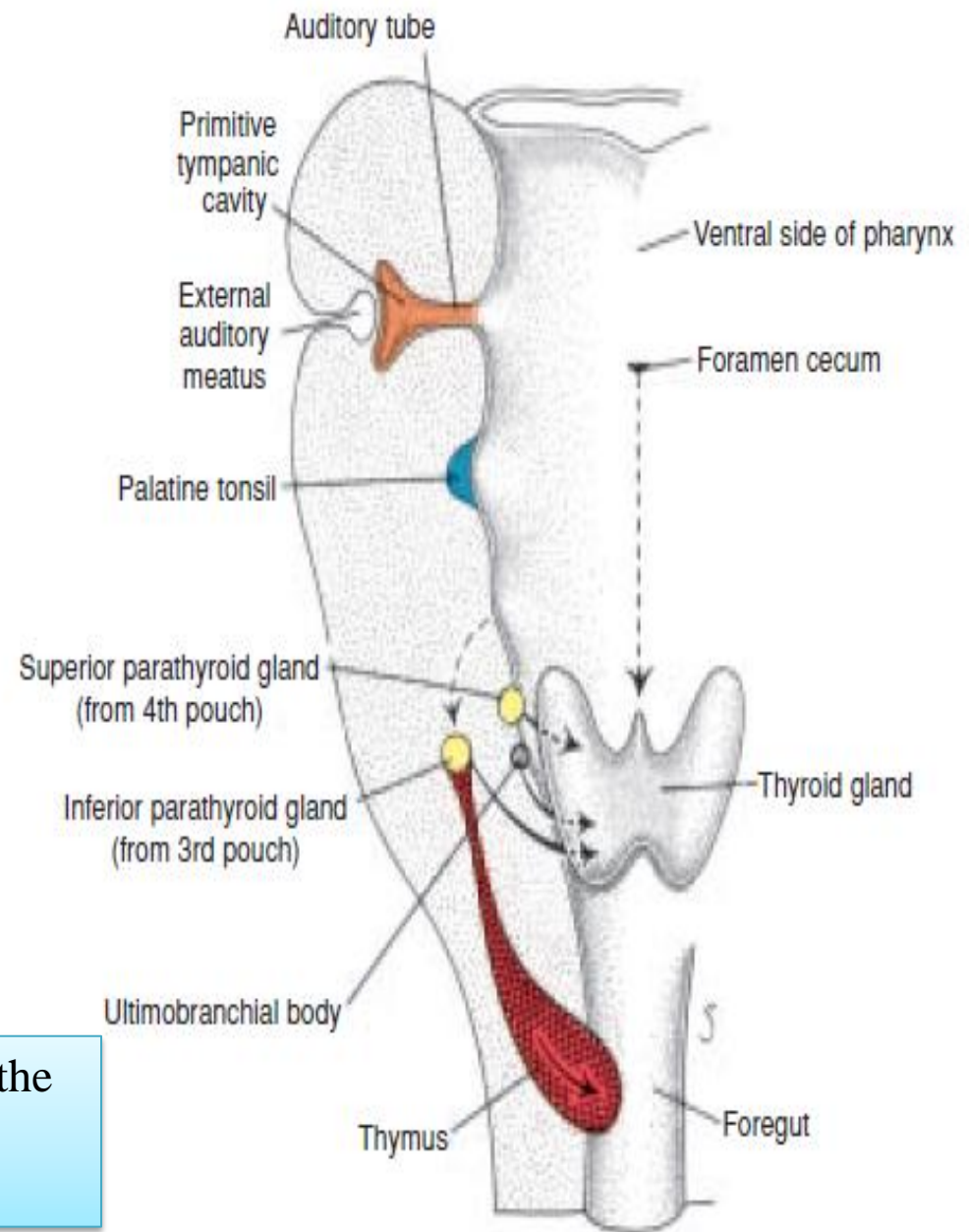


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THIRD PHARYNGEAL POUCH

In the fifth week, epithelium
of the dorsal wing
of the third pouch differentiates into
INFERIOR PARATHYROID GLAND

while
the ventral wing
forms

THE THYMUS

Both gland primordia lose their
connection with the pharyngeal wall, and the
thymus then migrates in a caudal and a medial
direction, pulling the **inferior parathyroid with it**

- Growth and development of the thymus continue until puberty
- In the young child, the thymus occupies considerable space in the thorax and lies behind the sternum and anterior to the pericardium and great vessels
- In older it is atrophied and replaced by fatty tissue

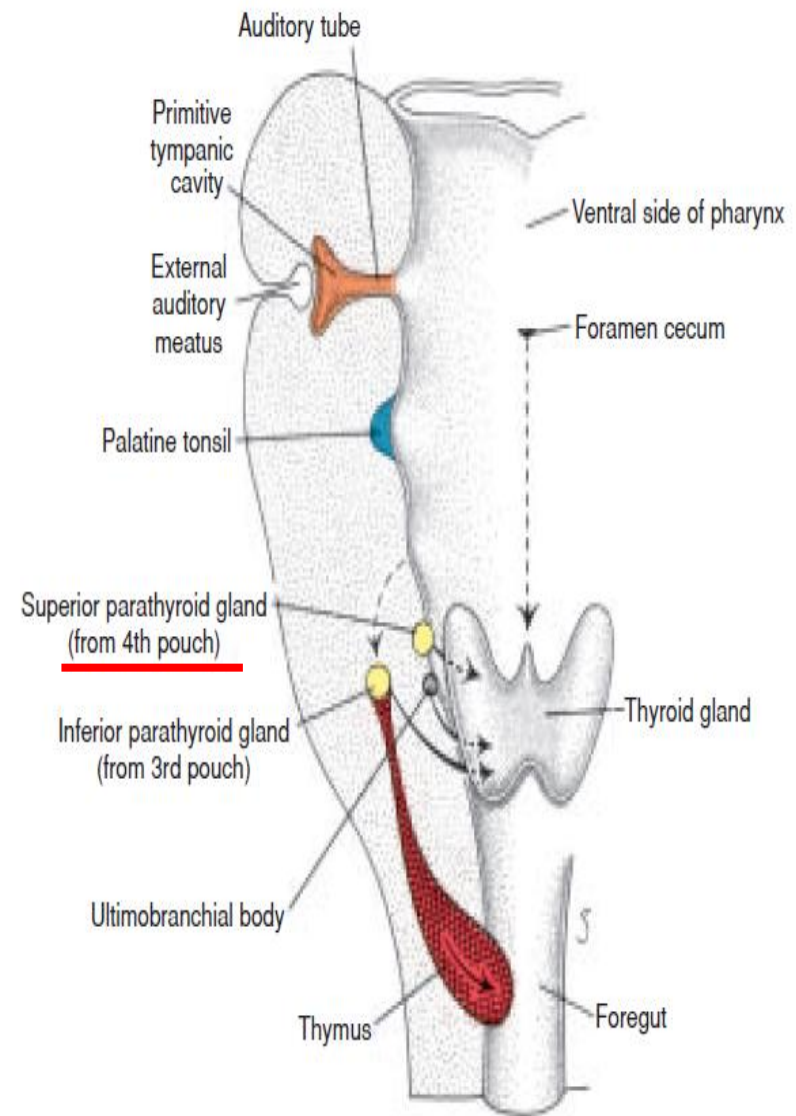


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FOURTH PHARYNGEAL POUCH

Epithelium of the dorsal wing of the fourth pharyngeal pouch forms
THE SUPERIOR PARATHYROID GLAND

When the parathyroid gland loses contact with the wall of the pharynx, it attaches itself to the dorsal surface of the caudally migrating *thyroid* as the superior parathyroid gland

FIFTH PHARYNGEAL POUCH

the last to develop, is usually considered to be a part of the fourth pouch.

It gives rise to the **ultimobranchial body** which is later incorporated into the thyroid gland. Cells of the ultimobranchial body give rise to the **parafollicular, or C, cells of the thyroid gland**. These cells secrete **calcitonin, a hormone involved in regulation of the calcium level in the blood**.

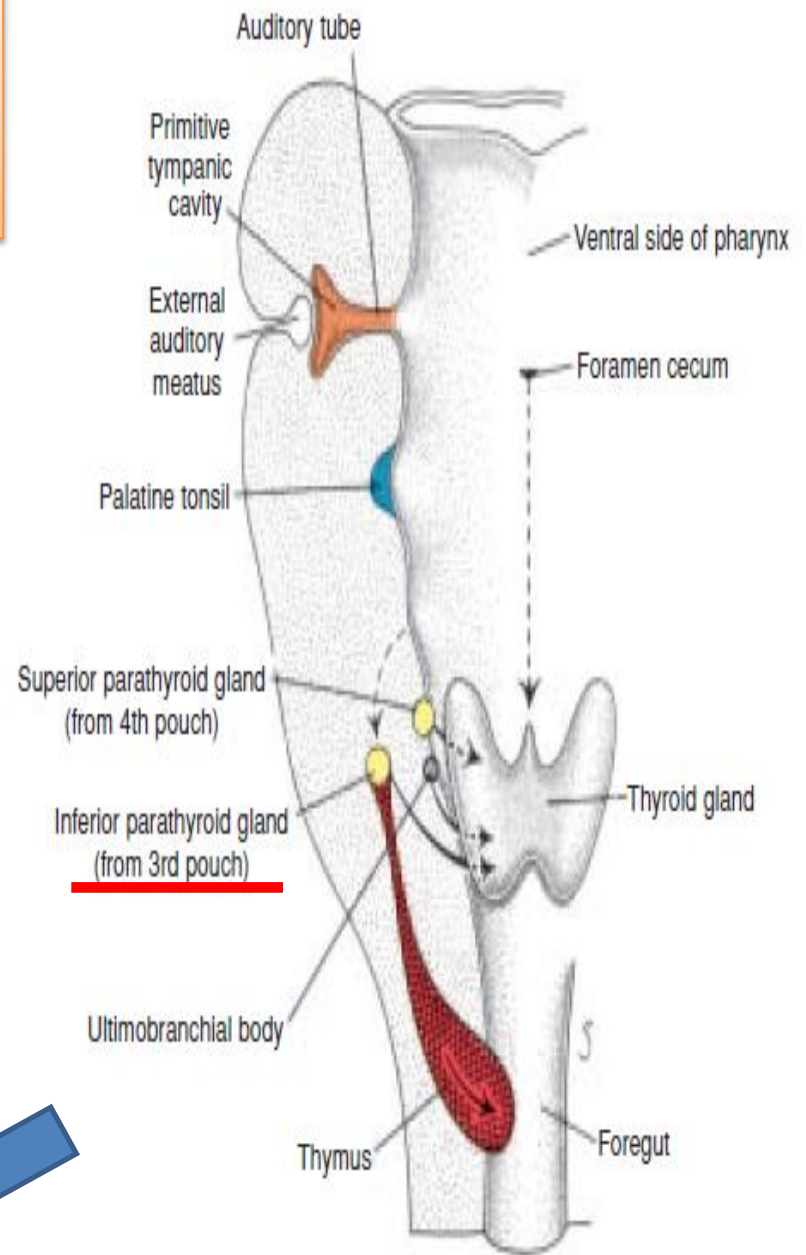


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3-PHARYNGEAL CLEFTS

3-Pharyngeal Clefts

The 5-week embryo is characterized by the presence of four pharyngeal clefts of which only one contributes to the definitive structure of the embryo

- The dorsal part of the first cleft penetrates the underlying mesenchyme and gives rise to the **external auditory meatus**
 - The epithelial lining at the bottom of the meatus participates in formation of the **eardrum**
 - Active proliferation of mesenchymal tissue in the second arch causes it to overlap the third and fourth arches. Finally, it merges with the **epicardial ridge** in the lower part of the neck and the second, third, and fourth clefts lose contact with the outside
- The clefts form a cavity lined with ectodermal epithelium, the **cervical sinus**, but with further development this sinus disappears.*

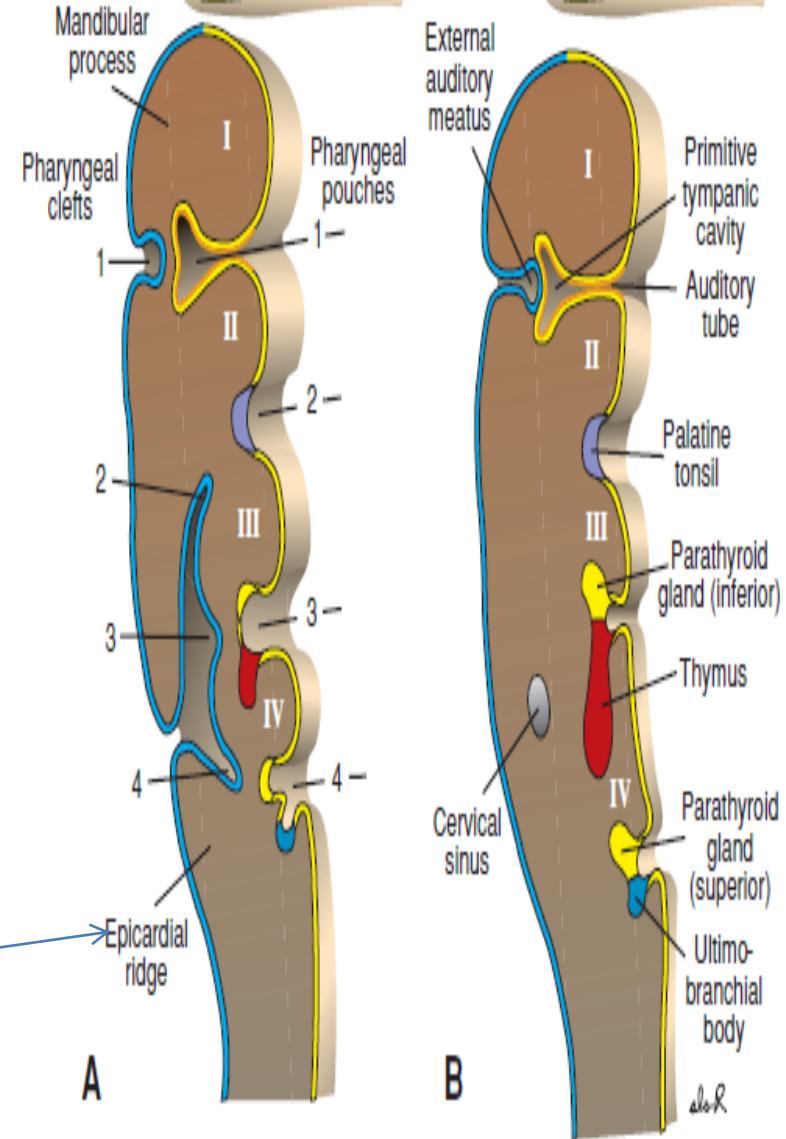


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DEVELOPMENT OF THE FACE

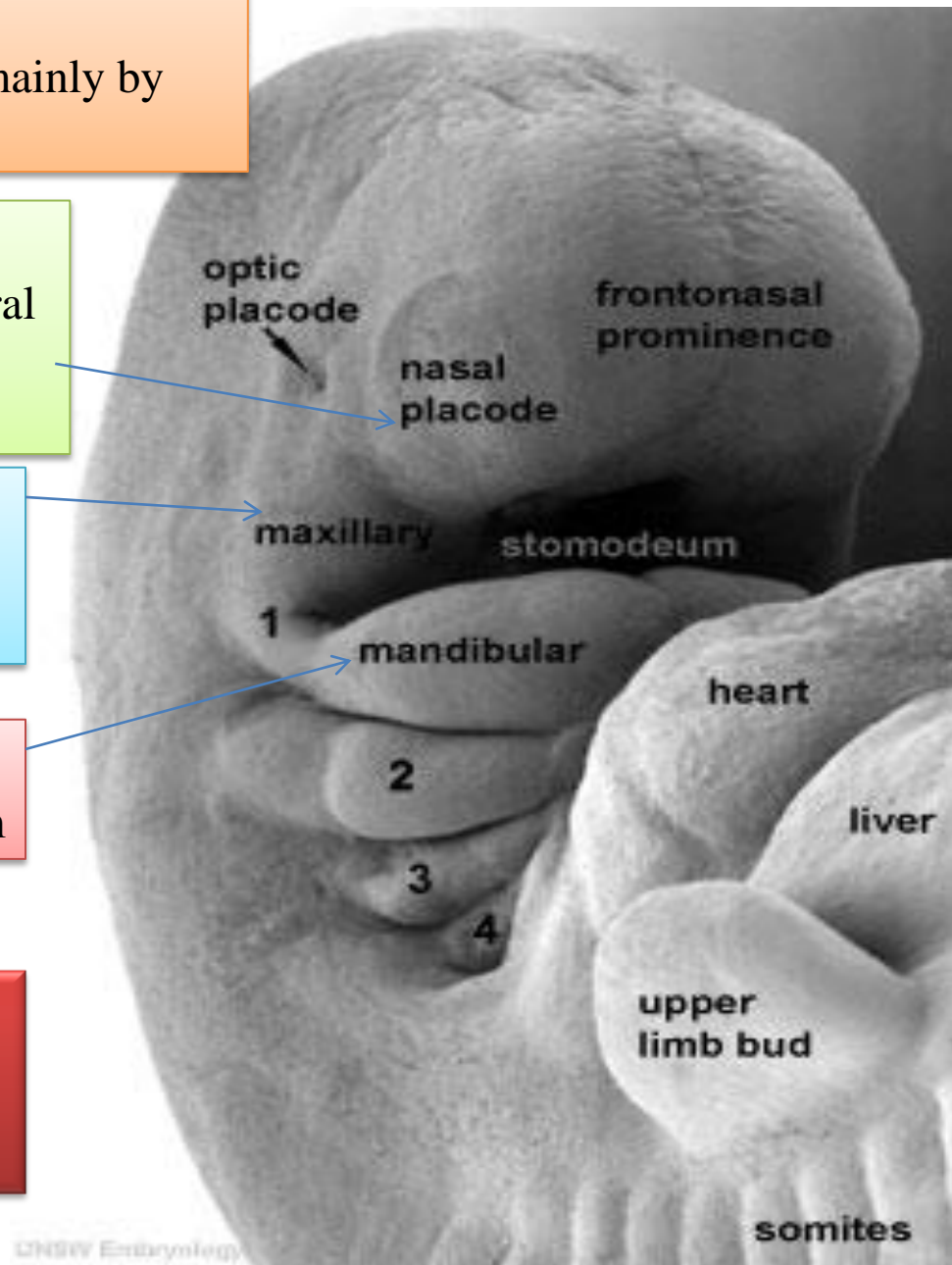
At the end of the fourth week,
facial prominences consisting primarily of
neural crest-derived mesenchyme and formed mainly by
the first pair of pharyngeal arches

The frontonasal prominence
formed by proliferation of mesenchyme ventral
to the brain vesicles, **constitutes the upper**
border of the stomodeum

MAXILLARY prominences
can be distinguished lateral to the
stomodeum

MANDIBULAR prominences
can be distinguished caudal to the stomodeum

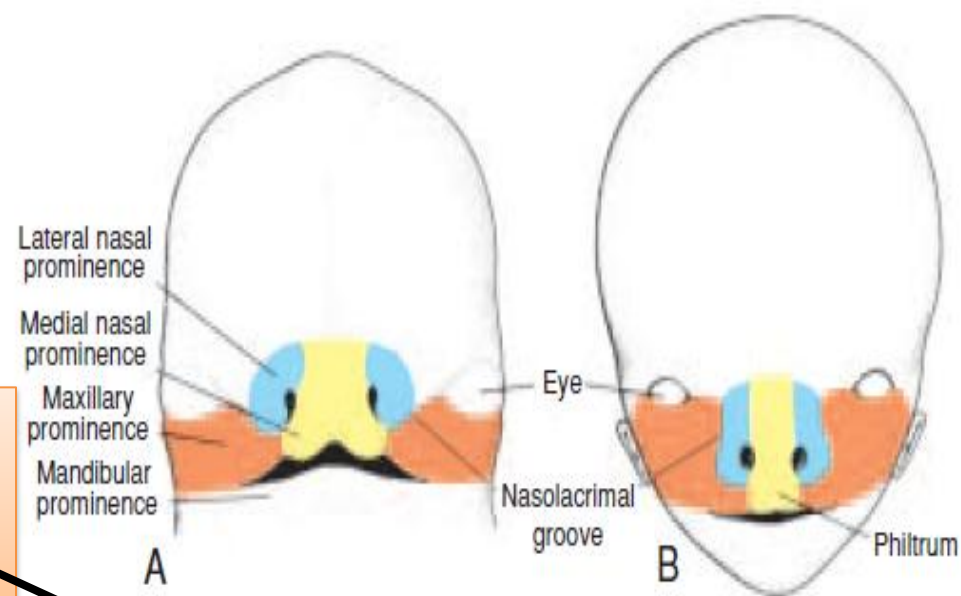
On both sides of the frontonasal prominence,
local thickenings of the surface ectoderm, the
nasal placodes



During the fifth week, the nasal placodes invaginate to form
NASAL PITS

In so doing, they create a ridge of tissue that surrounds each pit and forms
THE NASAL PROMINENCES

The prominences on the outer edge of the pits are:
THE MEDIAL NASAL PROMINENCES
THE LATERAL NASAL PROMINENCES



During the following 2 weeks, the **maxillary prominences** continue to increase in size

Simultaneously, they **grow medially**, compressing the medial nasal prominences toward the midline

Subsequently the cleft between the medial nasal prominence and the maxillary prominence is lost, and the two fuse

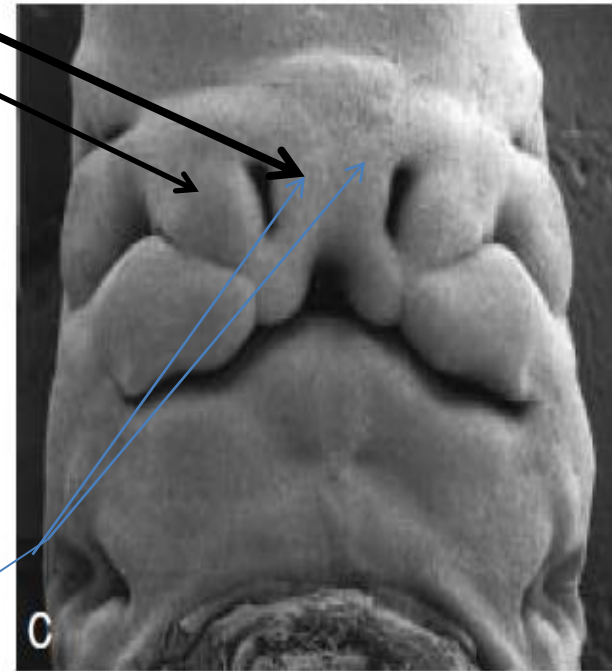
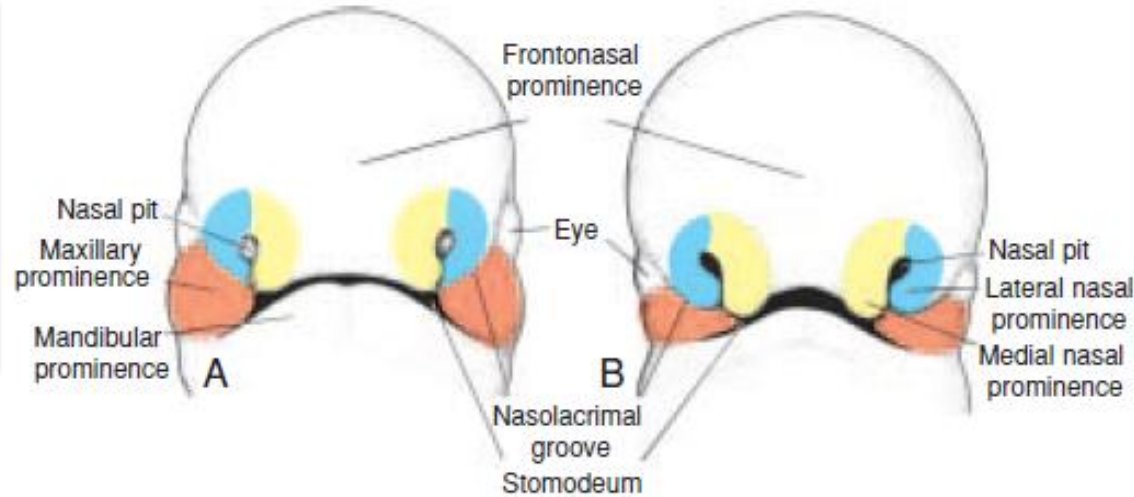


Figure 15.23 Frontal aspect of the face. A. 7-week embryo. Maxillary prominences have fused with the medial nasal prominences. B. 10-week embryo. C. Scanning electron micrograph of a human embryo at a stage similar to that of A.

Therefore, the upper lip is formed by
THE TWO MEDIAL NASAL
prominences
And
THE TWO MAXILLARY
PROMINENCES



The lateral nasal prominences do not participate in formation of the upper lip

The lower lip and jaw form from the mandibular prominences that merge across the midline

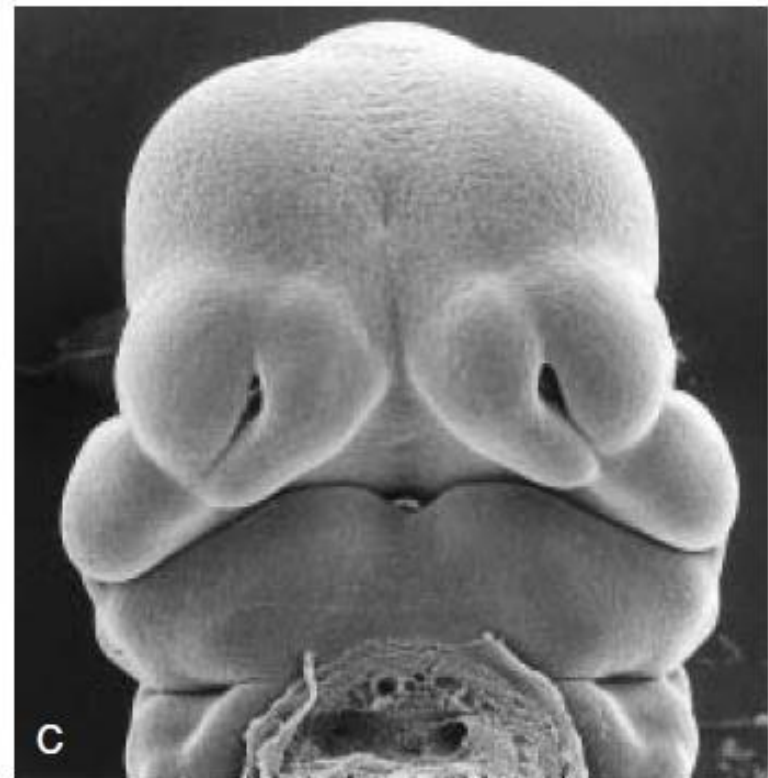


Figure 15.22 Frontal aspect of the face. **A.** 5-week embryo. **B.** 6-week embryo. The nasal prominences are gradually separated from the maxillary prominence by deep furrows. **C.** Scanning electron micrograph of a mouse embryo at a stage similar to that of **B.**

As a result of medial growth of the maxillary prominences
And the two medial nasal prominences merge
not only at the surface but also at a deeper level

The structure formed by the two merged prominences is
the **INTERMAXILLARY SEGMENT**

It is composed of:

- (a) *a labial component, which forms the philtrum of the upper lip*
- (b) *an upper jaw component, which carries the four incisor teeth*
- (c) *a palatal component, which forms the triangular primary palate*

The intermaxillary segment is continuous with the rostral portion of the **nasal septum, which is formed by the frontal prominence**

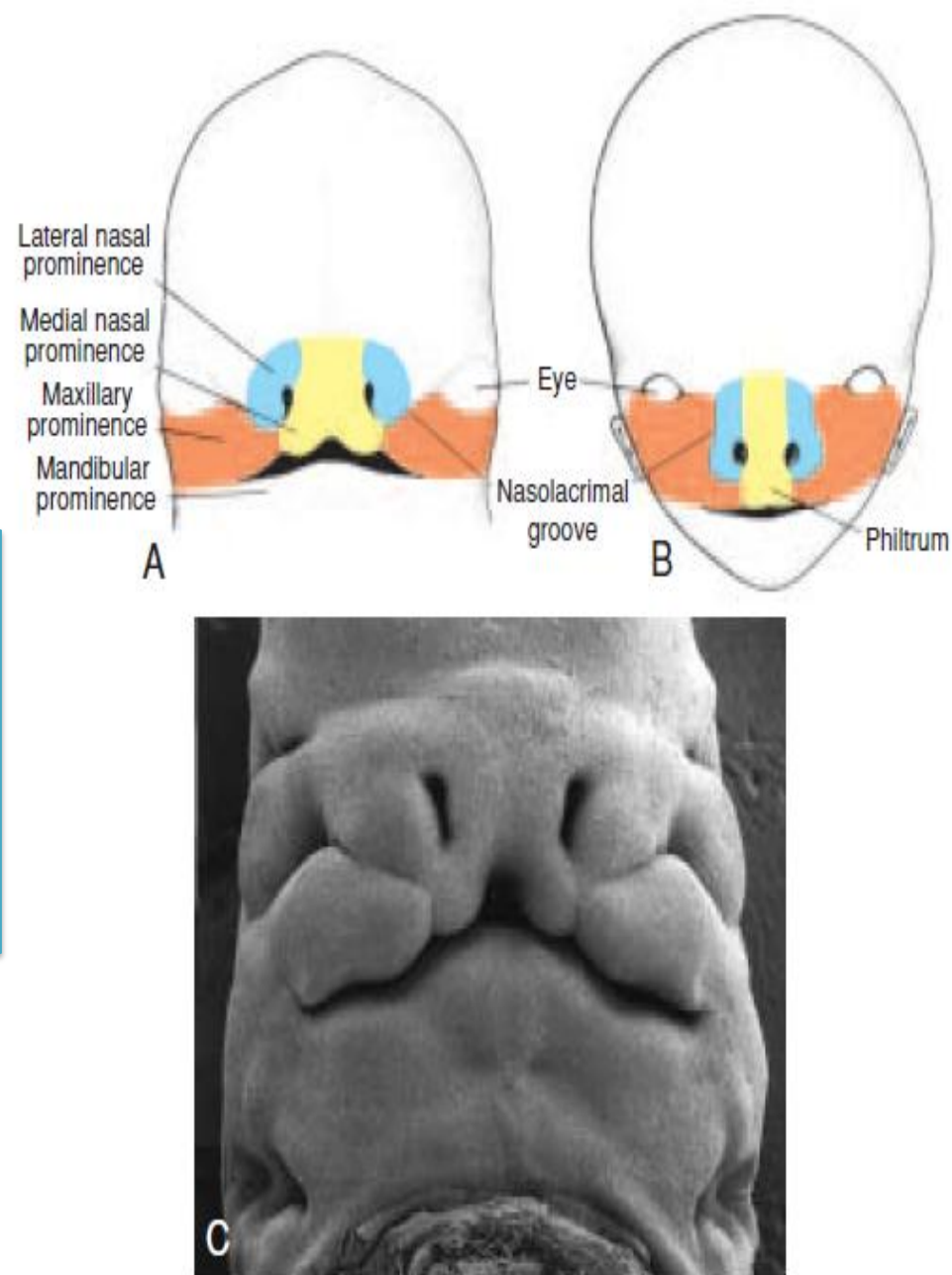


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Secondary Palate

Although the primary palate is derived from **the intermaxillary segment** the main part of the definitive palate is formed by two shelflike outgrowths from the maxillary prominences

These outgrowths, the **palatine shelves**, appear in the **sixth week of development** and are **directed obliquely downward** on each side of the tongue

In the seventh week, however, the palatine shelves ascend to attain a horizontal position above the tongue and fuse, forming the **secondary palate**

Anteriorly, the shelves fuse with the triangular primary palate, and the **incisive foramen is the midline landmark between the primary and secondary palates**

At the same time as the palatine shelves fuse, the nasal septum grows down and joins with the cephalic aspect of the newly formed palate

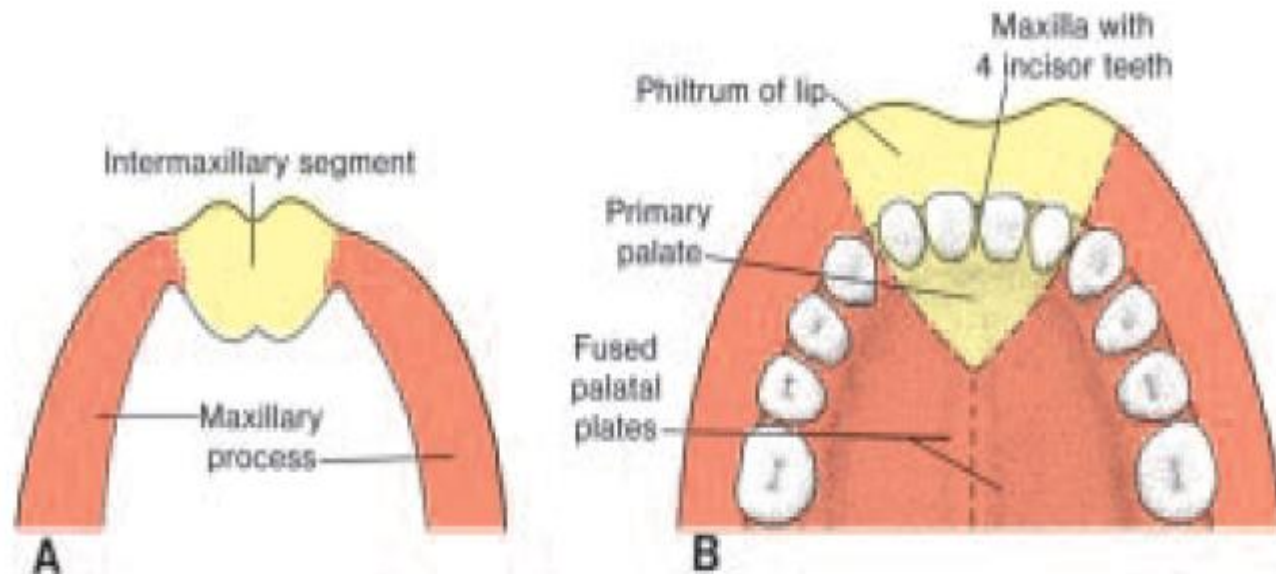


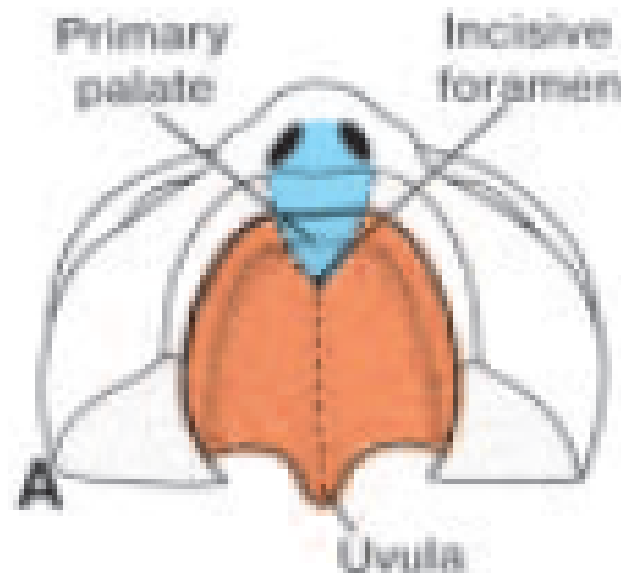
Figure 15.24 A. Intermaxillary segment and maxillary processes. B. The intermaxillary segment giving rise to the philtrum of the upper lip, the median part of the maxillary bone with its four incisor teeth, and the triangular primary palate.

Facial Clefts

Cleft lip and cleft palate are common defects that result in abnormal facial appearance and defective speech

1.Cleft lip

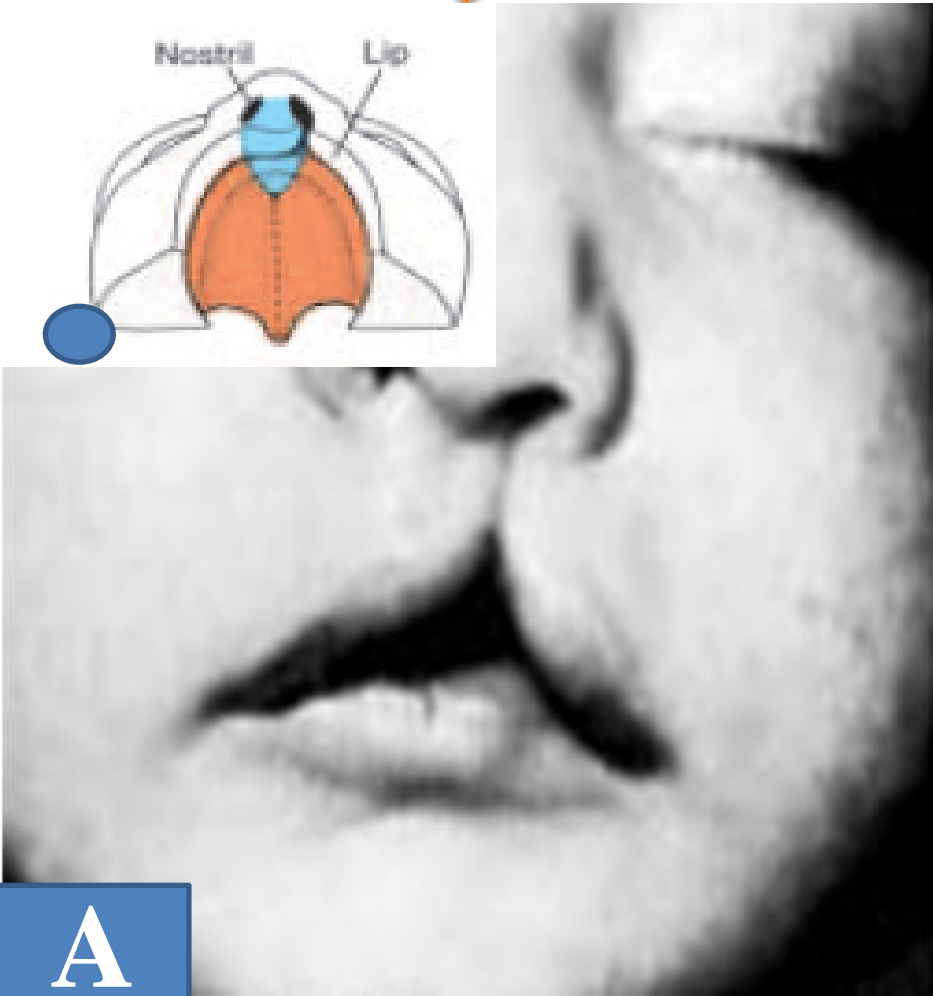
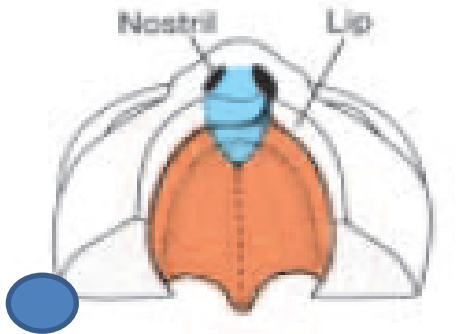
2.Cleft palate



A. Normal.

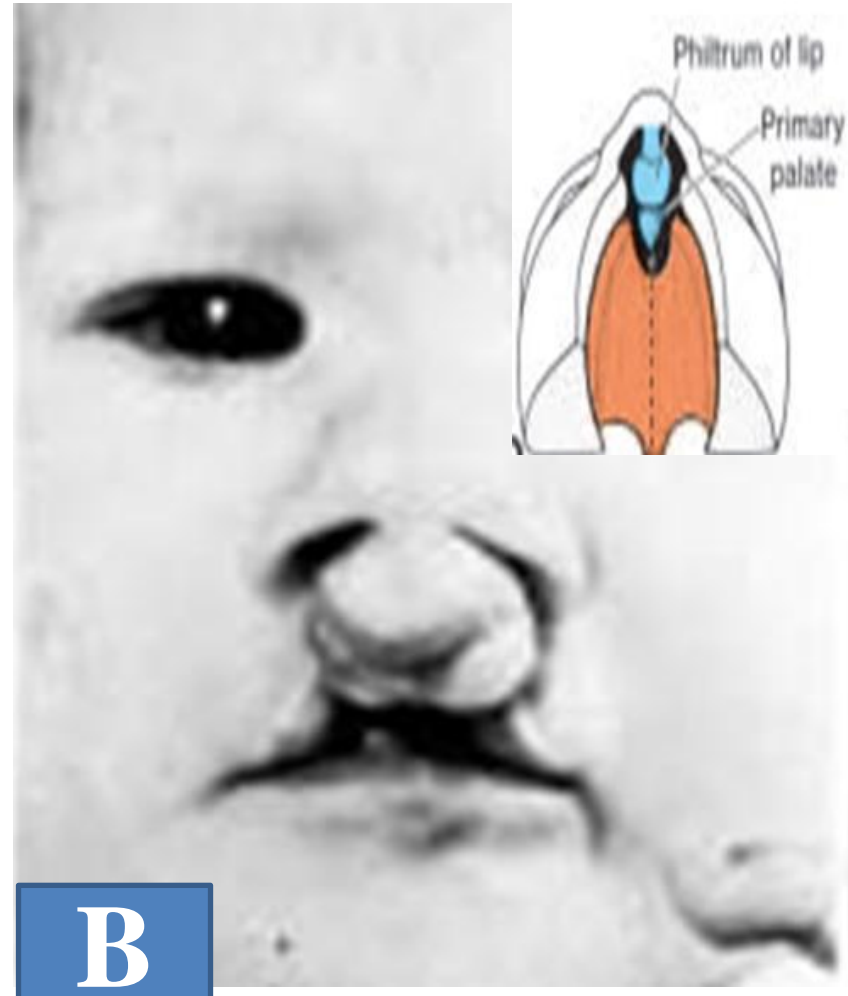
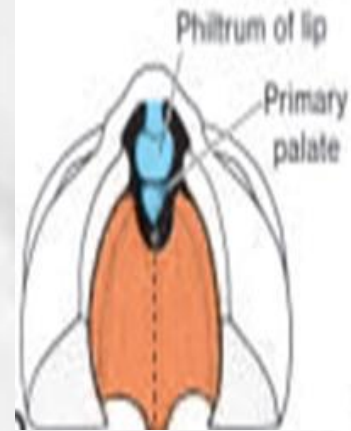
Cleft lip

A. Unilateral cleft lip: results from failure of the maxillary prominence to merge with medial nasal prominence on the effected side



A

B. Bilateral cleft lip: results from failure of the maxillary prominences to merge with medial nasal prominence on both sides



B

C. Median cleft lip: results from failure of the medial nasal prominences to merge and form the intermaxillary segment



D. Oblique facial cleft: failure of fusion between the maxillary prominence and the lateral nasal prominence. The nasolacrimal duct persists opened, usually associated with cleft lip on the same side



Cleft palate

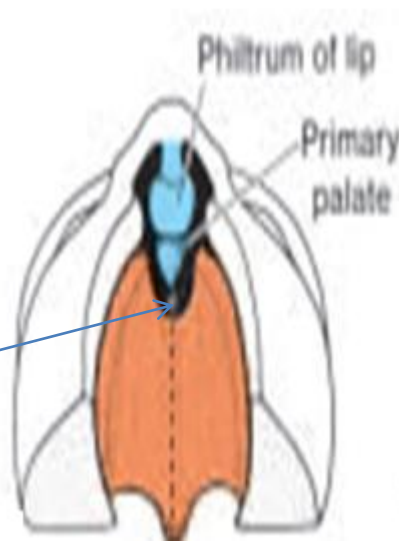
The *incisive foramen* is considered the dividing landmark between the anterior and posterior cleft deformities

A- Cleft of the primary palate

Results from failure of the palatine shelves to fuse with the primary palate which takes place *anterior to the incisive foramen* therefore this type is *anterior cleft palate*

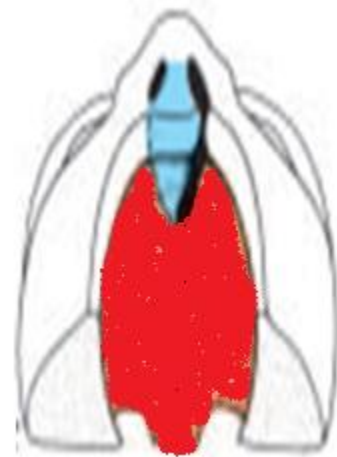
Note that Cleft of the primary palate is always anterior and can be unilateral and bilateral

Primary Bilateral cleft (involving the lip and jaw)



Note :It is anterior to the incisive foramen

Primary Unilateral Cleft palate (combined with unilateral cleft lip)

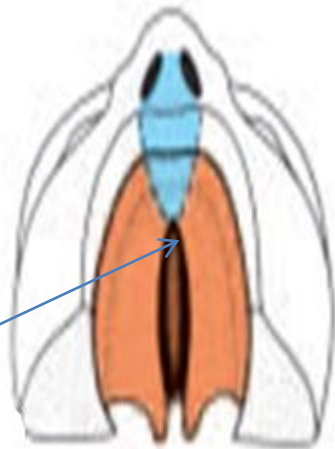


B. Cleft of the secondary palate

Results from failure of the palatine shelves to fuse with each other and with the primary palate which takes place posterior to the incisive foramen therefore this type is

Posterior cleft palate

Note that **Cleft of the secondary palate is always posterior**



Note it is located posterior to the incisive foramen

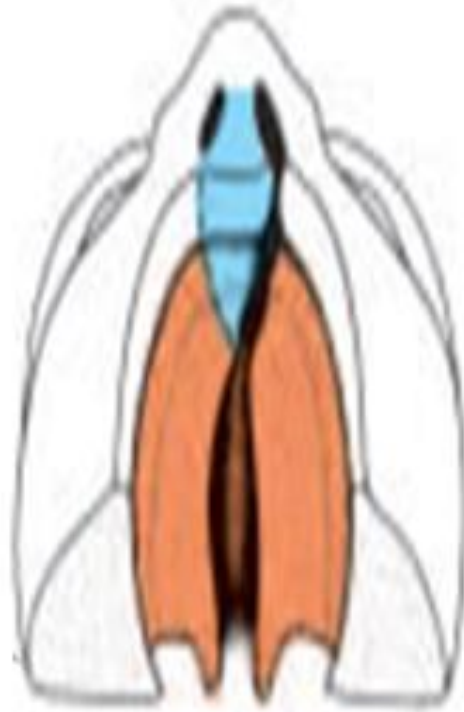
secondary cleft palate



secondary cleft palate

Cleft of the primary and secondary palate

Results from failure of the palatine shelves to fuse with each other and with the primary palate which takes place anterior and posterior to the incisive foramen
therefore this type is mixed anterior and posterior cleft palates



**Primary and secondary
Cleft palates combined
with unilateral cleft lip**