

## Word List – With Definitions

<b>Word</b>	<b>Definition</b>
<b>digest</b>	<b>to convert (food) into absorbable form</b>
<b>digestive</b>	<b>relating to or functioning in digestion</b>
<b>colon</b>	<b>the large intestine where solid waste is compacted in preparation for elimination</b>
<b>diaphragm</b>	<b>a flat muscle that controls breathing</b>
<b>esophagus</b>	<b>the tube connecting the mouth and the stomach</b>
<b>glucose</b>	<b>a sugar found in food; the sugar broken down in cells to release energy</b>
<b>indigestible</b>	<b>not digestible: that cannot be converted into simpler forms that can be taken in and used by the body</b>
<b>indigestion</b>	<b>inability to digest or difficulty in digesting something</b>
<b>intestine</b>	<b>a part of the digestive system; the small intestine absorbs nutrients from digested food; the large intestine removes water from solid waste</b>
<b>liver</b>	<b>a large glandular organ that produces digestive juices and breaks down harmful substances in the blood</b>
<b>lung</b>	<b>an organ in animals where gases, such as oxygen and carbon dioxide, pass between the atmosphere and the blood</b>
<b>muscles</b>	<b>body tissues consisting of long cells that can contract and produce motion</b>
<b>muscular</b>	<b>of, relating to, or being muscle; performed by the muscles</b>
<b>pancreas</b>	<b>a gland that produces digestive fluids and other helpful chemicals</b>
<b>rectum</b>	<b>the last part of the large intestine</b>
<b>respiratory</b>	<b>characterizing the process that brings oxygen to body cells and removes waste gas</b>
<b>saliva</b>	<b>a watery fluid that moistens and softens food</b>
<b>stomach</b>	<b>the main digestive organ in most animals</b>
<b>undigested</b>	<b>not digested or taken into the body through digestion</b>
<b>windpipe</b>	<b>the main part of the system of tubes by which air passes to and from the lungs in vertebrates; trachea</b>