

Day 5

Reading- Social media gives dancers freedom to connect directly with fans

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Image 1. Dancer Taylor Hatala, 16 years old, outside Evolution Dance Studios in Los Angeles, California. She is considered a popular social media dance influencer, with 1.2 million followers on Instagram. Photo by: Jessica Pons/The Washington Post

LOS ANGELES, California — When she was 12 years old, dancer Taylor Hatala was on tour with Janet Jackson. Now 16 years old, she is a top dance influencer on social media. Her Instagram account has 1.2 million followers.

Taylor is part of a new generation. She and other dancers are changing how the world sees dance.

Touring as a backup dancer for an artist like Janet Jackson or Justin Bieber used to be a commercial dancer's dream. Now, it is just a stepping-stone. The bigger prize is a viral social media account.

Dancers who make it on Instagram, YouTube and TikTok see great rewards. They see greater personal, artistic and financial rewards than as backup dancers.

Your experience used to be the reason you got jobs. Not anymore. "Now it's our social media," said Taylor, whose Instagram handle is @tayd_dance.

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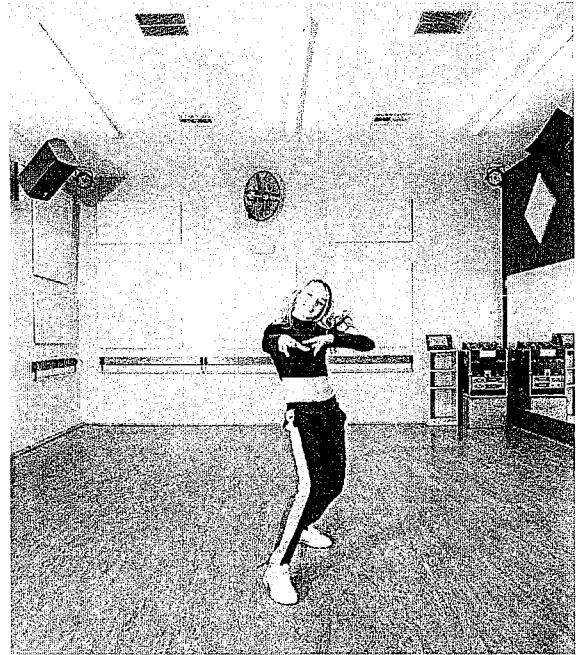
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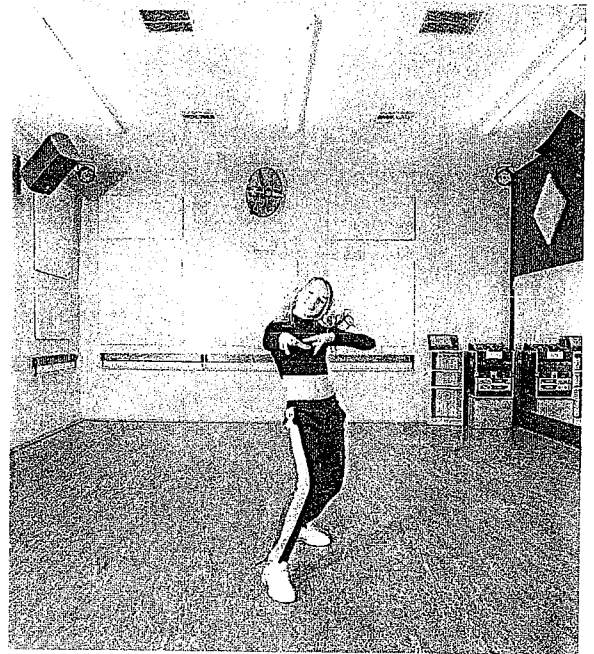
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Dancers Are Finally Being Valued

The dance community says it has been historically undervalued, and that is now changing. Dancers say it is about time.

Aris Golemi is the founder of a talent agency. He has seen dance influencers earn millions of dollars. "I represented one dancer who made \$9,000 just posting a selfie with a watch," Golemi said.

The dancers' independent, inspiring spirit is a big part of their appeal. They are creative, raw, goofy, sweet and strong.

"I don't want to wait for an artist to hire me. I want to be my own artist," said James Derrick. He is known as @Bdash_2 on Instagram. He creates his own music and is also a dancer.

"With these platforms, at the end of the day you don't need a label, all you need is fans," Bdash said. "That's why social media is golden for people like us, because you can become an artist without anyone holding us back and telling us what to do."



Write 1 paragraph (5 sentences) on why you think dancing has become so popular in the last few years. Do you think social media is helping these dancers to become famous?



Determine if each sentence is declarative, interrogative or exclamatory.

Remember

•A **declarative sentence** makes a statement and ends with a period(.).

We played games all night long.

•An **interrogative sentence** asks a question and ends with a question mark(?).

What game do you want to play?

•An **Exclamatory sentence** shows strong emotion and ends with an exclamation point(!).

I want to play red rover!

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- 1) What should I buy Sarah for her birthday?
- 2) I wonder if she already has a doll house?
- 3) Maybe I should look in the sports section.
- 4) How about getting her a pogo stick?
- 5) She doesn't really have any room to use it though.
- 6) Maybe she wants a new movie?
- 7) Wow, these movies are way too expensive!
- 8) I only have ten dollars to spend.
- 9) I wonder what flavor candy she likes?
- 10) I know she likes chocolate the best.
- 11) Maybe I should keep looking.
- 12) I know what I should get her!
- 13) Do they have any gift cards here?
- 14) Now she'll be able to get anything she wants!
- 15) Now which birthday card do I get her?

Determine the placement of the decimal in each product.

$$5.809 \times 7.8 = \quad 4 \quad 5 \quad 3 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad 2$$

1. Count the quantity of numbers to the right of the decimal for each factor.

5.809 has 3 numbers right of the decimal (5.809)
7.8 has 1 number right of the decimal (7.8)

2. Add the amounts together. Your answer should have the same quantity of numbers to the right of the decimal.

$$3 + 1 = 4$$

$$5.809 (3) \times 7.8 (1) = 45.3102 (4)$$

Also notice that $5 \times 7 = 35$ and $6 \times 8 = 48$, so 5.809×7.8 will be a more than 35 but less than 48.

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Skill: Multiplying Decimals

Find the Mistakes

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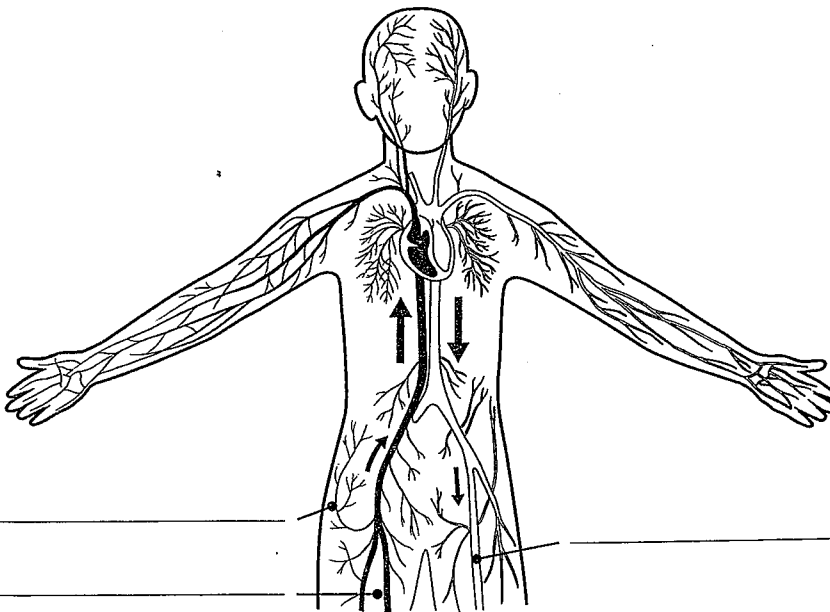
Weekly Question

How do people give blood without running out of it?

Blood is the link between every cell in your body. Working together with the heart, lungs, muscles, brain, and digestive system, blood transports oxygen and nutrients everywhere they are needed. Blood also shuttles the waste products produced by cells to places in the body where the waste can be eliminated.

Blood is part of your body's **circulatory system**. This system includes the heart, which pumps blood throughout the body, and the **blood vessels**, such as the arteries and veins. Blood leaves your heart through the arteries. Tiny vessels called capillaries (KAP-ih-LAIR-eez) allow blood to reach each cell and connect the arteries to the veins, which return blood to the heart.

A. Judging by the direction that the blood is flowing in the diagram, label the *artery*, *capillary*, and *vein*.



B. Name the two main functions of blood.

- 1. _____
- 2. _____

Vocabulary

blood vessels
BLUD VESS-ulz
tubes that transport blood throughout the body

circulatory system
SER-kew-lih-tor-ee
SISS-tum
the system of organs that pump blood throughout the body



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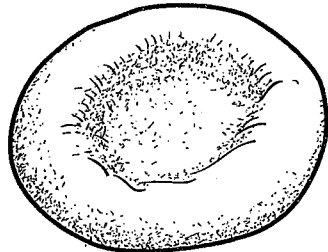
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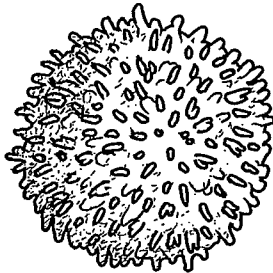
Blood contains three types of cells. Red blood cells, which give blood its color, account for 99% of all blood cells. Red blood cells transport oxygen to all body cells. White blood cells, on the other hand, are far fewer in number but have the important job of attacking infection. **Platelets**, which are the third type of blood cell, are not really cells at all but are fragments of larger blood cells. These small, irregularly shaped bodies collect at the site of an injury and help blood to clot, or form a scab.



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platelet



white blood cell

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PLAZ-muh
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platelets
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Answer the questions.

1. Which part of your blood transports nutrients? _____
2. Which cells help you get over a cold? _____
3. Which cells help heal a cut? _____
4. Why is blood red? _____
5. What would happen to someone without platelets? _____

Name _____



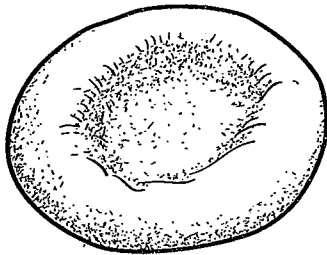
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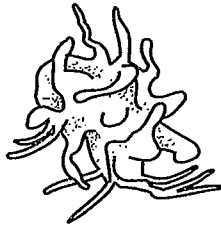
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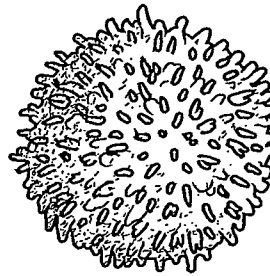
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Day 3

Weekly Question

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Daily Science

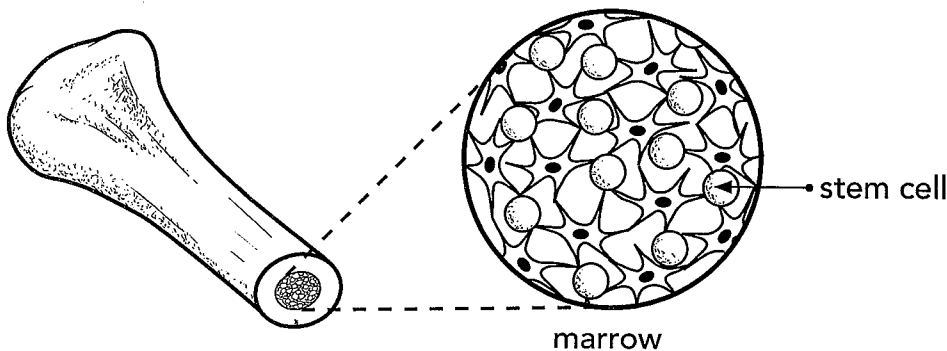
Big Idea 1



WEEK 4

Blood is essential for life. So what happens when we lose blood? Our bodies actually lose blood all the time—not just from cuts and injuries, but also because blood cells in the body live only for a few days or, at most, a few months. Because of this, our bodies are continuously producing new blood.

Blood cells start out as **stem cells** located in your bone **marrow**. Bone marrow is a spongy, gel-like material inside certain bones, such as your leg and hip bones. Bone-marrow stem cells become the red blood cells, white blood cells, and blood platelets you need to stay healthy. More than 100 billion new blood cells are created in the bone marrow every day.



Vocabulary

marrow
 MARE-oh
 soft tissue found inside certain bones

stem cells
 STEM selz
 cells that can become other types of cells

A. Write true or false.

1. Plasma starts out as stem cells. _____
2. Bone marrow is contained in all the bones of the body. _____
3. Blood cells can die after a few days. _____

B. If the body makes 100 billion new blood cells each day, approximately how many blood cells can it make each hour? _____

C. Use words from the passage to complete the sentence.

Bone _____ contains _____ cells, which become _____ cells.

Determine if the source would be a **Primary Source(P)** or a **secondary Source(S)**.

Answers

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1) A play showing how Benjamin Franklin flew a kite during a lightning storm.

2) A short story describing Thomas Edison and Nikola Tesla's 'electrical' battle.

3) Anne Frank's diary describing her life during World War 2.

4) A cartoon showing how Pocahontas met John Smith.

5) A text book describing the civil rights movement.

6) A news report about the opening of a power plant.

7) A scientist explaining what it was like for Buzz Aldrin to walk on the moon.

8) A YouTube video describing how the pyramids were built.

9) An interview with Alexander Graham Bell about how he invented the telephone.

10) A radio broadcast from the day the Soviet Union launched Sputnik.

11) An autobiography about the 40th president, Ronald Reagan.

12) A book describing Christopher Columbus sailing to America.

13) A famous artist's painting of what cowboy life was probably like.

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