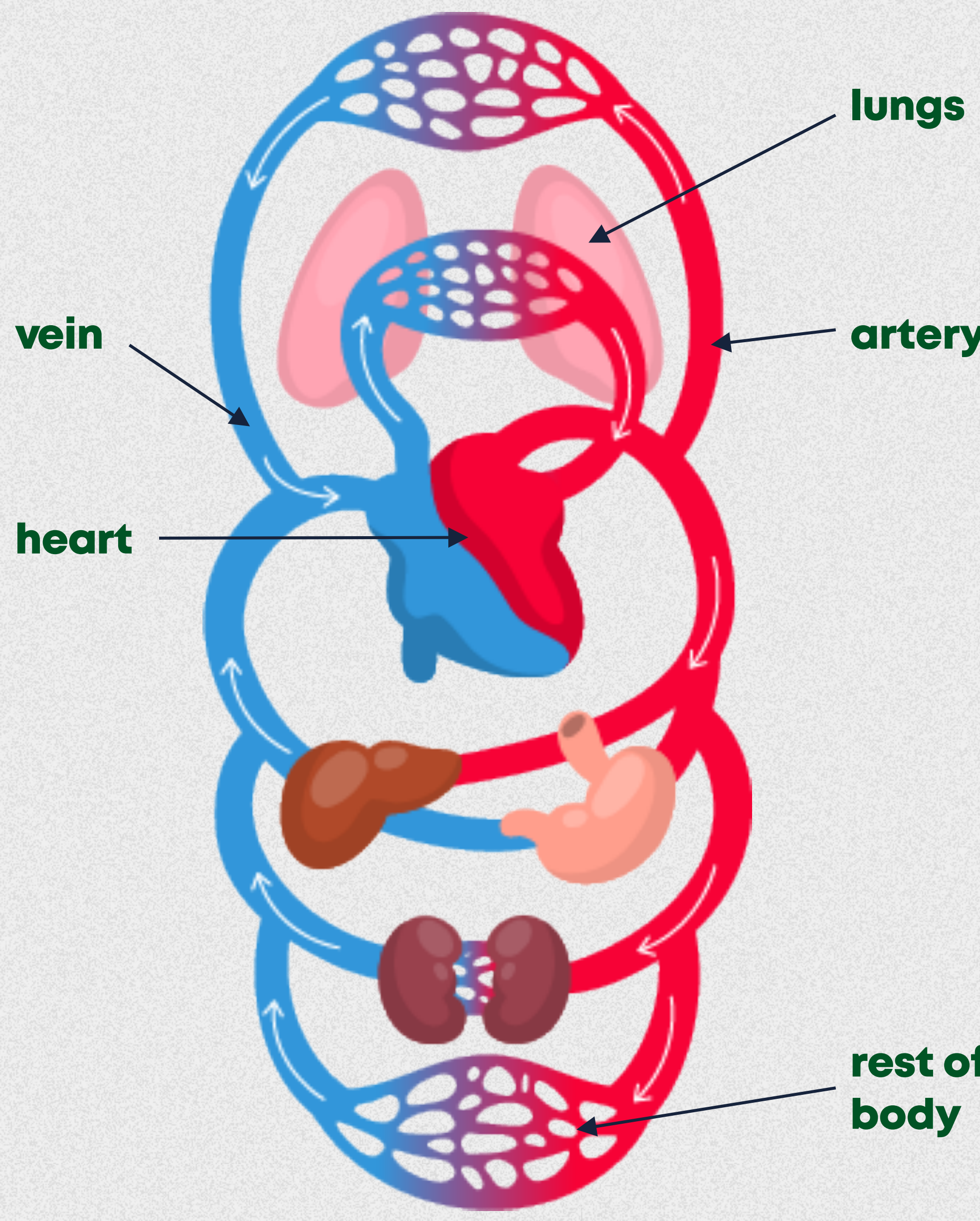
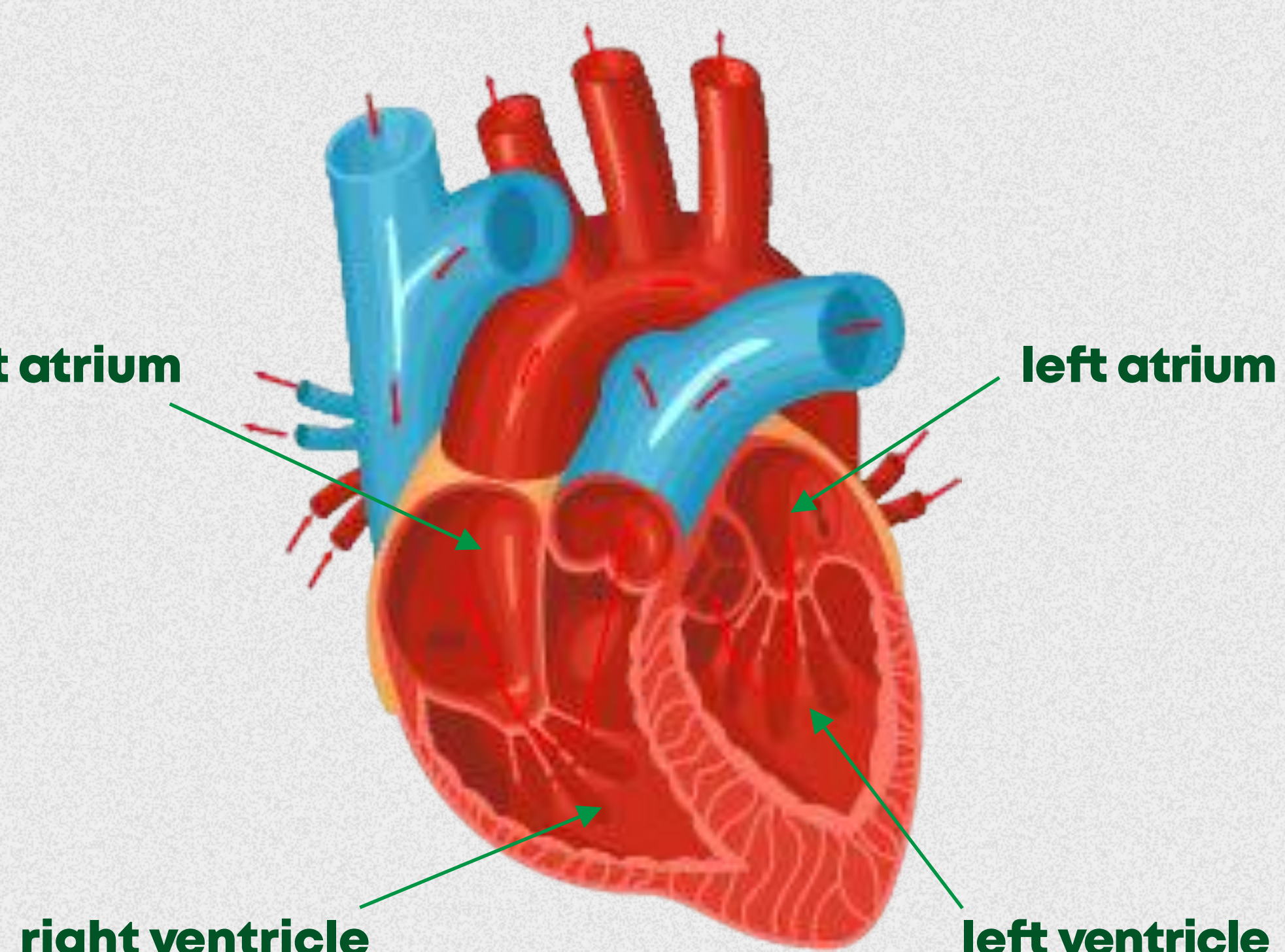


circulatory system



the heart



KEY VOCABULARY
circulatory system
transport
atria
ventricles
valves
aorta
arteries
veins
capillaries
pulse rate

bodily system made up of the **heart, blood vessels and blood** that delivers essential materials to cells whilst removing waste products

the circulatory system **transports nutrients (from digested food) and water to every cell** as well as oxygen

the plural of ‘atrium’; the **upper chambers of the heart**

the **lower chambers of the heart**

found between the atria and ventricles they **open and close to allow the blood to flow through the heart**

the **largest artery supplying oxygenated blood** to the rest of the body

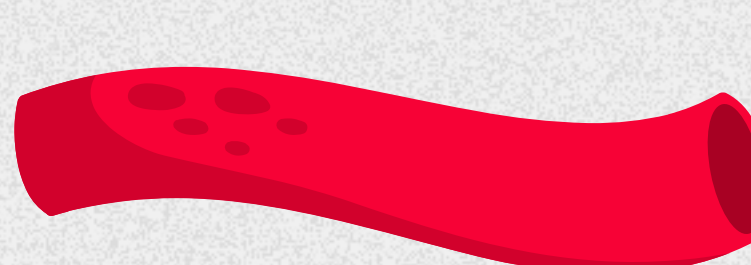
carry blood with oxygen from heart

carry blood depleted of oxygen back to heart

tiny vessels where oxygen gets transferred to cells

the **number of heart beats per minute**

arteries



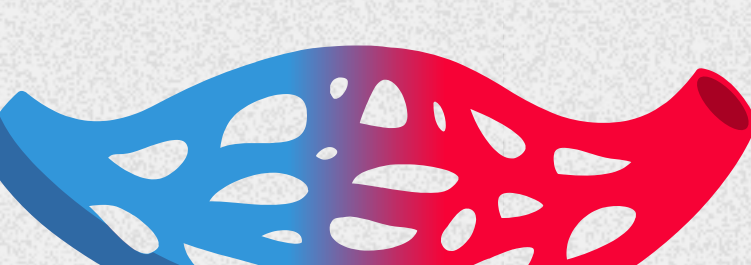
carry blood away from the heart
oxygenated blood

veins



carry blood back to the heart
deoxygenated blood

capillaries



transfers oxygen from the blood stream to other tissues in the body

blood pressure	the force with which our blood is pushed around our bodies (if our blood pressure is too high or low it can be dangerous for us)
heart rate	the number of squeezes or beats of the heart per minute (when the heart beats it pumps blood around the body)
drugs	human heart rate and blood pressure can be altered by taking drugs - sometimes this is needed, and doctors administer drugs to help patients (illegal drugs can damage human hearts and change blood pressure which can be very dangerous)