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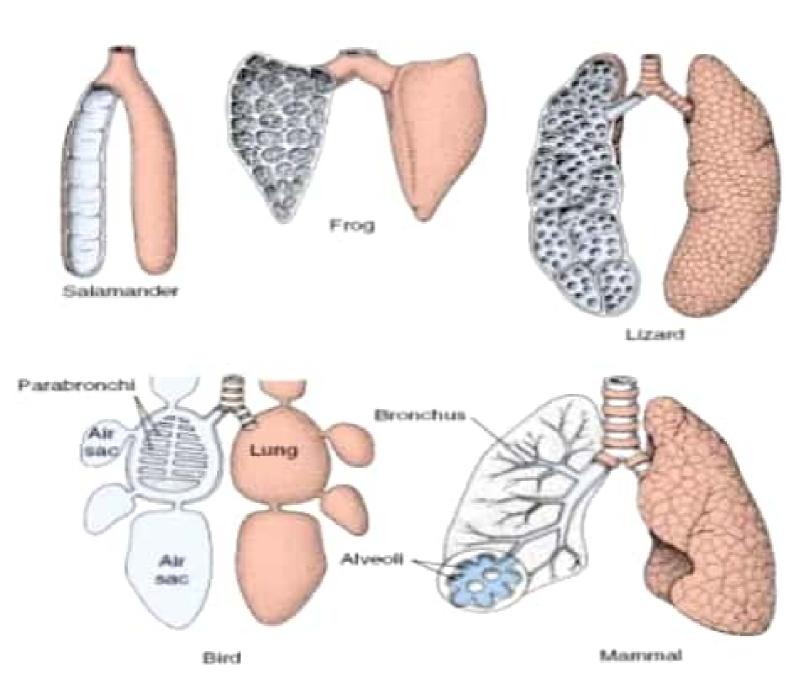
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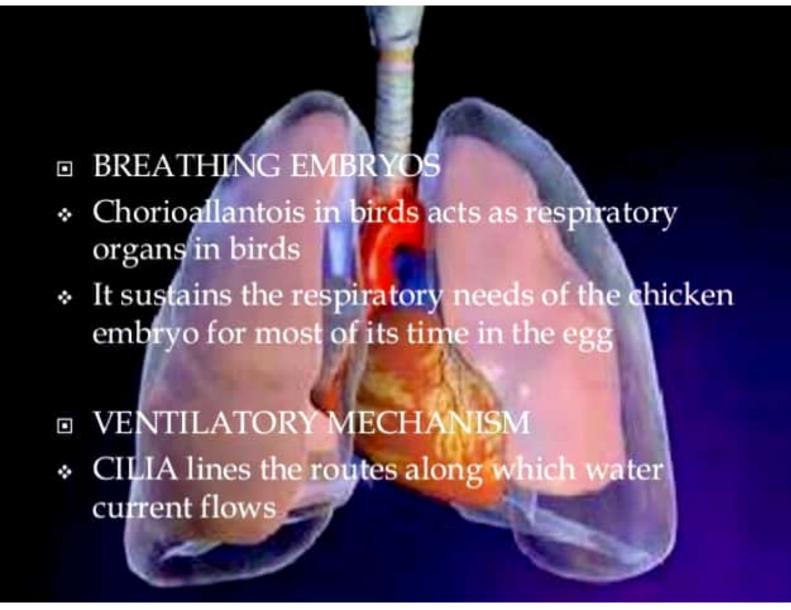
- Designed for air breathing
- Elastic bags that lie within the body
- Volume expands when air is inhaled and decreases when air is exhaled

#### GAS BLADDERS

- Are air filled with the air
- Swim bladders are used to control the buoyancy of a fish



- Gas bladders differ in lungs in two ways
- Gas bladders are usually situated dorsal to the digestive tracts
- Gas bladders are not paired
- Oxygen is released into the bladder
- Gas in the swim bladder is mainly oxygen
- CUTANEOUS RESPIRATION
- Respiration through the skin
- Amphibians rely heavily in cutaneous respiration



#### MUSCULAR MECHANISM

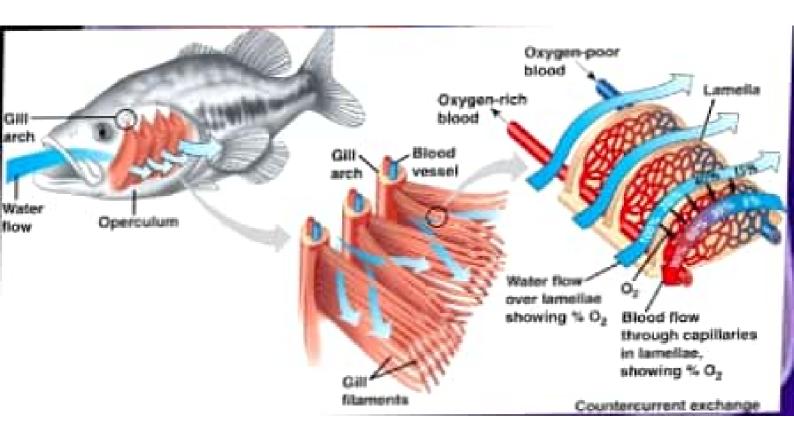
- Ventilation on vertebrates usually depends much on muscle action
- Ram ventilation is a technique by which the fish's own forward locomotion contributes to gill ventilation
- Water Ventilation: Dual pump
- 2. Air ventilation: Pulse pump
- 3. Air ventilation: Aspiration pump

### Air Ventilation: Pulse pump Inspiration Expiration Nostrils close Nostriis open Nostrils open Glotis opens Buccal cavity expands Glotis closes Buccal cavity expands Buccal cavity contracts Lungs contracts Buccal cavity contracts

Lungs expand

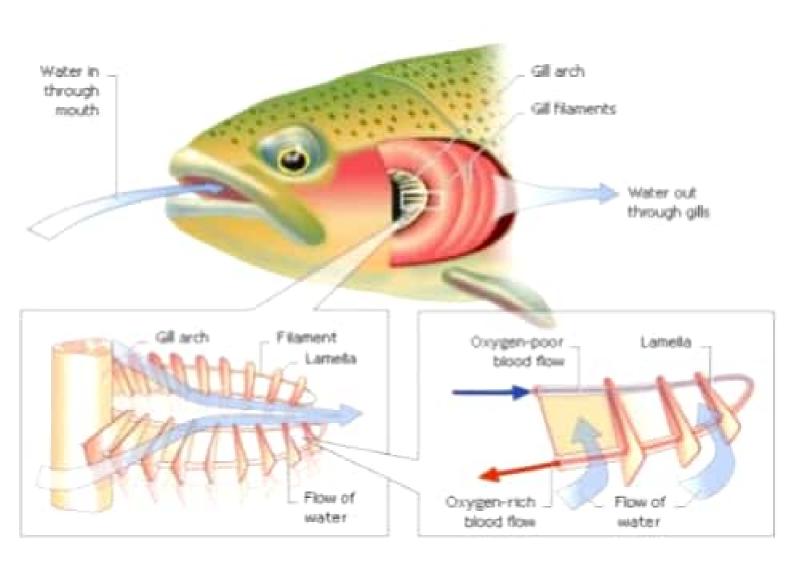
# FISHES Respiration: Gills or swim bladder Gills

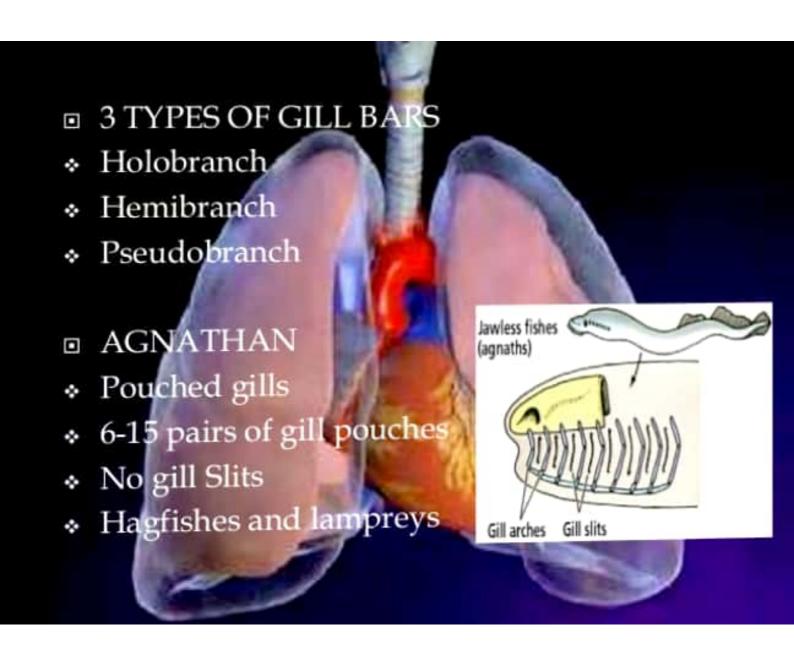
- External Gills-develop from surface ectoderm and extend beyond the head
- Internal Gills- lie within the head
- Comprised of gill arches with gill filaments → lined with rows of lamellae (increase surface area)



#### INTERNAL GILLS

- develop from the pharynx as evaginations called pharyngeal pouches
  - Visceral grooves (opposite to the pouches)
  - Closing plates (separates pouches and grooves)
- The general structure of a mature gill is composed of several parts;
  - Gill bars (support the gills)
  - Gill rakers (prevents food particles from entering)
  - Gill rays
  - Gill filaments and Gill lamellae





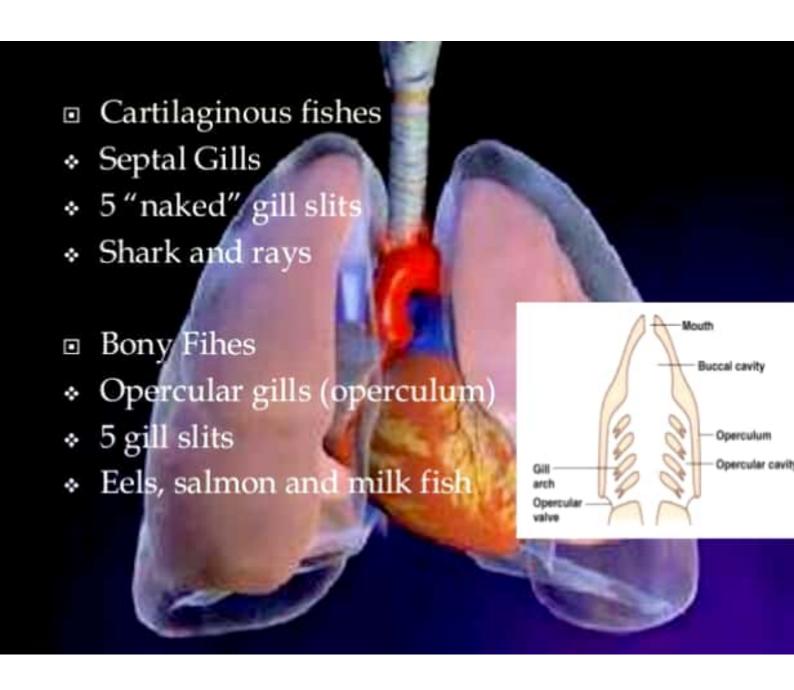
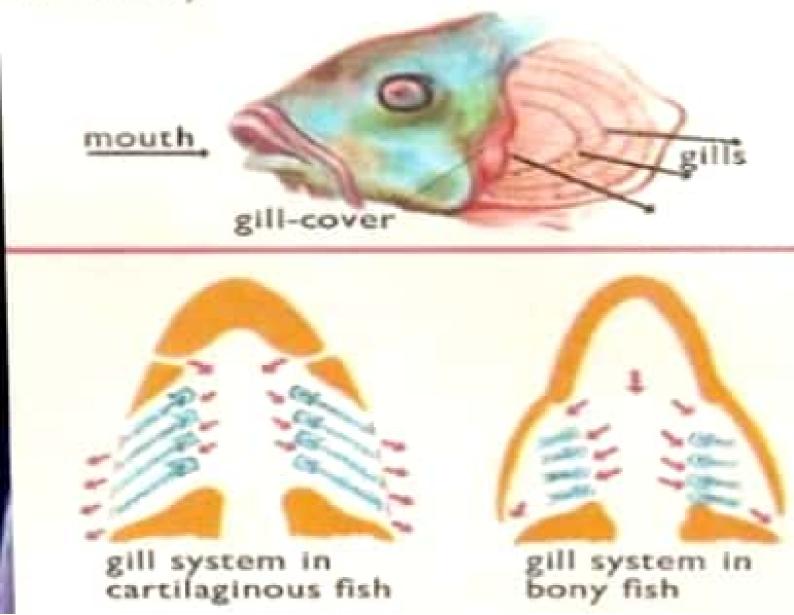
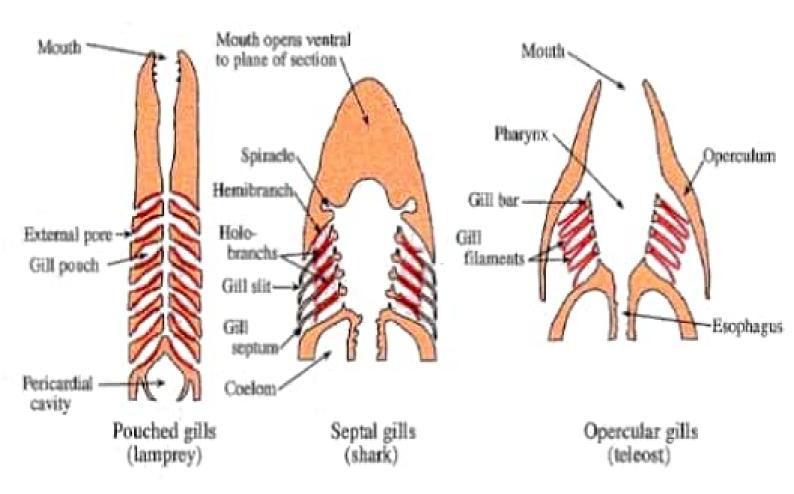
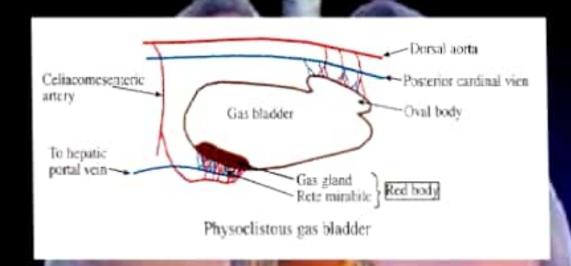


diagram of the circulation of water through the gills (the arrows show the direction of the water)





#### SWIM BLADDERS



Gas or swim bladders of fishes may be located high in the cavity to remain upright

