Digestion and Nutrition Lesson 9 - Adaptations of the small intestine

Biology - Key Stage 3

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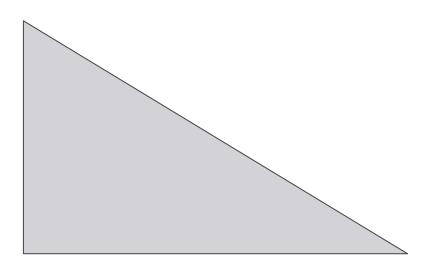
Diffusion

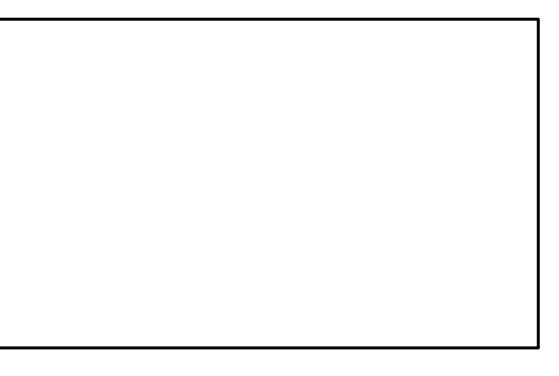


Recap: diffusion

Diffusion is the passive process where substances move from a region of concentration to a region of concentration, moving the concentration gradient.

Factors affecting diffusion







Adaptations of the small intestine



- 1. Why are people with bad absorption in their intestines more likely to have worse health generally?
 - People with bad absorption in their intestine are more likely to have worse health because:



2. In some surgeries a person's intestine can be shortened by a section being removed. What is the effect of this on absorption? Explain your answer.

The effect of removing a section of intestine on absorption is

because

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3. Explain why increasing the temperature increases the rate of diffusion. Increasing temperature (increases/decreases) the rate of diffusion, because:

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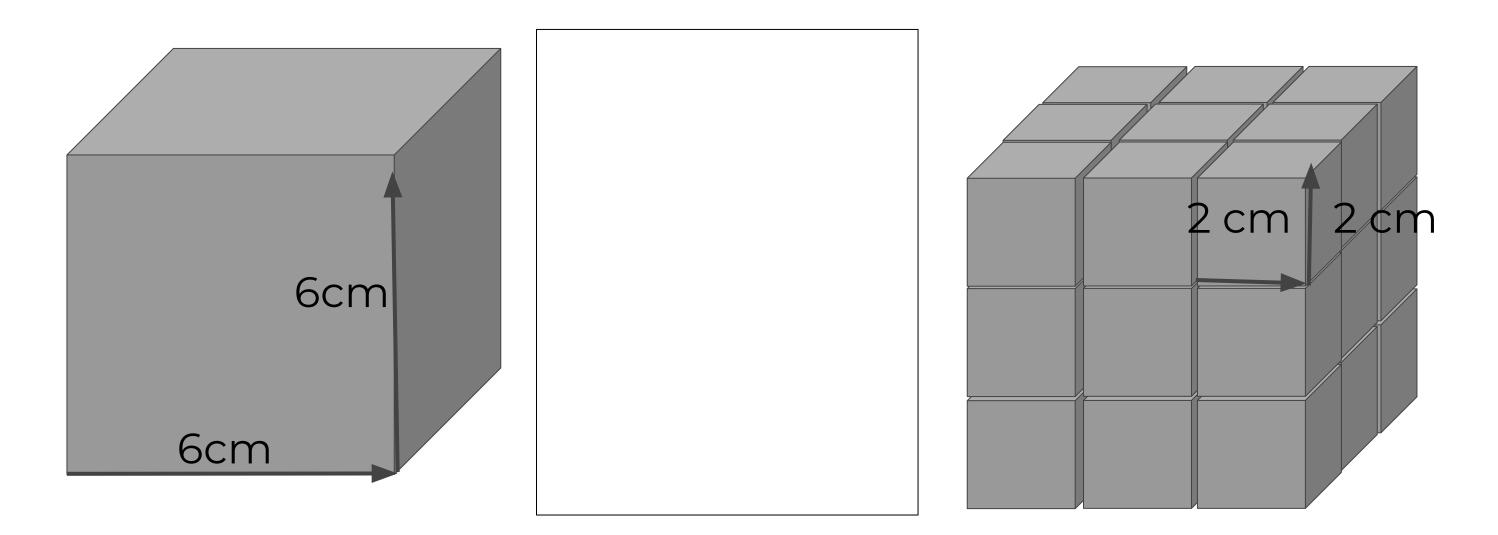


Surface area



Surface area and diffusion - guided practice

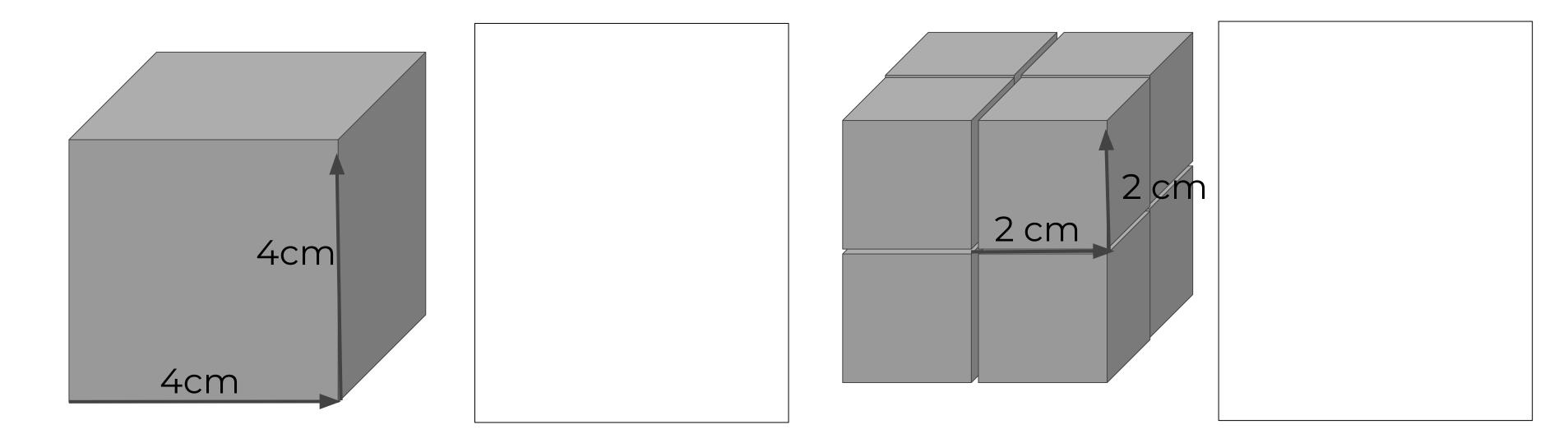
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Surface area and diffusion - independent practice

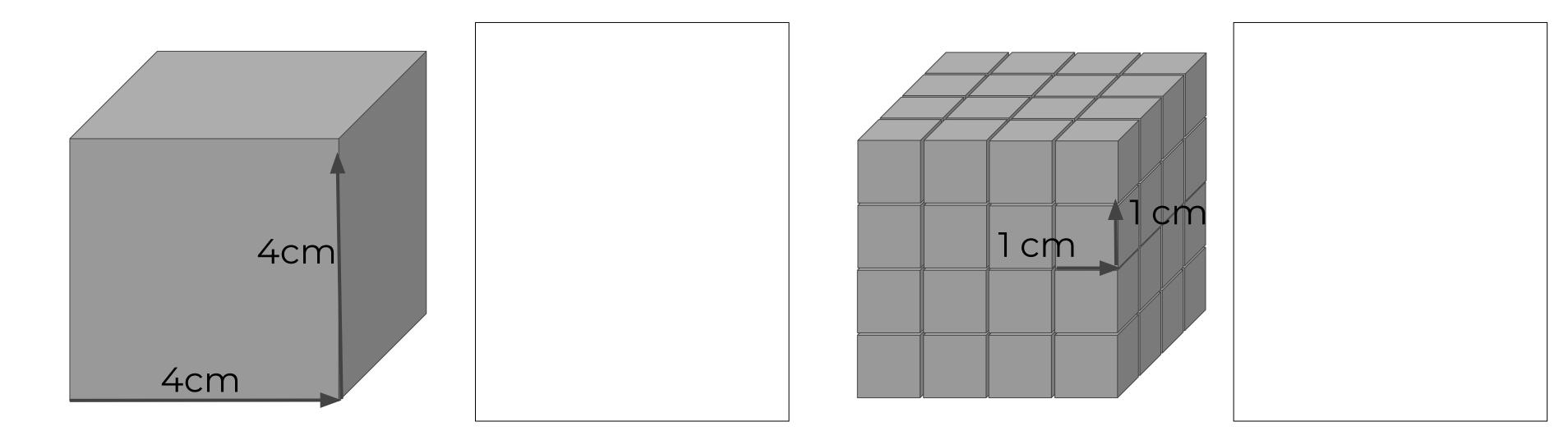
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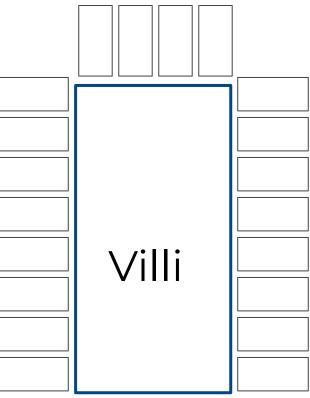
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How do the microvilli affect the surface area of the small intestine? Justify your answer.



The villus is 4 mm x 8 mm; each microvillus is 1 mm x 2 mm



Adaptations of the small intestine - Summary

Adaptation	Explanation
Very long	
Has villi	
Villi have microvilli	
Rich blood supply	



Role of bacteria in digestion



"All bacteria are harmful to our bodies"

To what extent is this statement true? Support your answer with your scientific knowledge and understanding gained in this lesson so far. Keywords: pathogen, lactobacillus, vitamin, symbotic

