Human Body Scavenger Hunt Activity

Materials:  
Question worksheet (pages 2-3)  
16 Human Body Fact Cards (pages 4-8)  
Tape, Scissors, Classroom

Preparation:  
Print the fact cards on card stock or brightly-colored paper and cut them out.  
Make copies of the question sheet. Each student will need his/her own copy. 
Hide the fact cards around your classroom where kids will be able to find them. You can stick them on your classroom window, on the sides of student desks, on chairs, on the chalkboard, or wherever you like.

Activity:  
Students receive a copy of the question worksheet. They have to search the room and find all of the fact cards to answer the questions. After they have completed the question sheet, you can go over the answers together with the class.

Management tips:  
You may want to make this a silent activity so students don't share answers with each other. You can have the kids work alone or with a partner. Don't be afraid to hide the facts in “tough” places. Kids think it's more fun when they have to search around a little. Examples of good hiding spots might include: the back of the classroom door laying flat on the bookshelf on the side of your computer monitor 
Have a plan for students who finish early. You may want to have an assignment for them to complete when they're done, or you may have them help other students find fact cards.

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Fact Card #1. How many times does your heart beat in a year?
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Fact Card #2. Name two things that your liver does.
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Fact Card #3. How big is your heart?
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Fact Card #4. Who has more bones, babies or adults? Why?
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Fact Card #5. Which lung is smaller, your right or left? Why?
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Fact Card #6. How many muscles does it take to smile? How many to frown?
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Fact Card #7. If you could stretch out your small intestine, how long would it be?
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Fact Card #8. What do your kidneys do?
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Fact Card #9. Where is bile made?
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Fact Card #10. List the four types of human blood.
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Fact Card #11. What do white blood cells do?
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Fact Card #12. What do your lungs take out of your blood?
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Fact Card #15. How much does your brain weigh?
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Fact Card #16. What can't teeth do that other parts of your body can do?
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Fact Card #17. Name two bones in your body that protect your organs.
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Fact Card #18. About how many hairs are on your head?
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Fact Card #1

Your heart is the hardest-working muscle in your body. It beats over 35 million times each year!

Fact Card #2

Your liver is the largest organ in your body. It cleans your blood, and makes chemicals for your body. The liver has over 500 jobs!

Fact Card #3

Your heart is about as big as your fist.

Fact Card #4

A person is born with about 300 bones in their body. An adult only has 206 bones in their body. When people grow, many of their bones combine together.
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Fact Card #5

Your left lung is a little bit smaller than your right lung. This makes room for your heart.

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Fact Card #6

It takes 17 muscles to smile. It takes 43 muscles to frown.

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Fact Card #9

Your liver makes bile. Bile is a chemical that makes your stomach acid safe for your body.

Fact Card #10

There are four types of human blood. They are: A, B, O, and AB.

The most common type of blood is O. The least common type is AB.

Fact Card #11

White blood cells kill disease and viruses. They also heal your skin when you get a cut.

Fact Card #12

Your lungs put oxygen in your blood. They also remove carbon dioxide.
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Fact Card #13

Your **brain stem** controls your breathing, heart beat, and stomach.

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Fact Card #14

**Nerves** are like small wires that run from your brain to other parts of your body. Nerves send signals to your body. You need nerves to feel things with your skin and to move your muscles.

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Fact Card #15

Your brain weighs about three pounds.

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Fact Card #16

Your teeth are the only body parts that cannot heal themselves when they chip or break.

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Some bones in your body protect delicate organs. Your skull is a thick bone that protects your brain. Your ribs are a set of bones that protect your heart, liver, and lungs.

The average person has about 100,000 hairs on their head. The average head loses about 60 hairs each day.
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