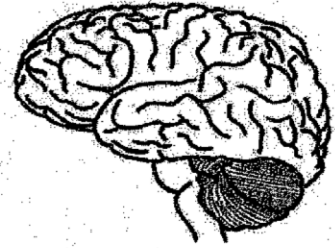


## ANSWER KEY

# Your Brain

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1. According to the information in the article, what does your brain look like and how much does it weigh?

Your brain looks like a wrinkled, wet sponge. It weighs about three pounds.

2. Which part of your brain controls your memory? cerebrum

3. Which part of your brain automatically controls parts of your body without you having to think about them? brain stem

4. Which part of your brain controls feelings, like happiness, sadness, frustration, and anger? amygdala

5. Why does the author say that your cerebrum seems "mixed up"?

The left side of your cerebrum controls the right side of your body, and the right side controls the left half of your body.

6. Your brain is made of nerve cells. What do nerve cells do?

Nerve cells send and receive electrical signals that direct all of your body's activities.

7. Which statement from the article is an opinion? c

- a. Even your feelings come from your brain.
- b. Sometimes, your brain controls your body without you even thinking about it.
- c. You should be glad you have a human brain.
- d. Every day your brain produces 70-thousand thoughts.