# **GRAPHIC ORGANISER**

### **STRUCTURE**



**INTERCOSTAL MUSCLES** 



### **RESPONSES TO EXERCISE (Short Term)**

- **1.** Increase in breathing rate
- 2. Increased tidal volume

### **MECHANISMS OF BREATHING**

	Inspiration	Expiration	External intercostals contract
Diaphragm	Contracts = Flattens	Relaxes = Domes	
External Intercostals	Contract = Lifts rib cage	Relax = Rib cage drops *	
Chest cavity	Increases	Decreases	
Thoracic Pressure	Drops	Rises	
Air flows	In	Out	

\*During exercise exhalation becomes an active process.

The internal intercostal muscles contract to pull the rib cage down.

### LUNG VOLUMES

Lung Volume	Definition	
Tidal Volume	Total air inhaled/exhaled in one breath under resting conditions*	
Vital Capacity	Maximum amount of air that can be expired after a maximum inhalation	
Residual Volume	Amount of air remaining in the lungs after a forced exhalation	
Total Lung Volume	Maximum amount of air in the lungs after a maximum inspiration	
Pulmonary Ventilation (VE)	Total amount of air inhaled / exhaled per minute	

\*During exercise, tidal volume (TV) and respiratory rate (RR; breaths per minute) increase. Together these increase Pulmonary Ventilation (VE). TV x RR = VE

# GASEOUS EXCHANGE

This is where the respiratory and cardiovascular systems meet.



# **CONTROL OF BREATHING**



1. Increased vital capacity

ADAPTATIONS TO EXERCISE (Long Term)

2. Increased strength of the respiratory muscles

3. Increase in oxygen and carbon dioxide diffusion rates

# Neural Control

Involuntary Control

Breathing is controlled automatically by the respiratory control centre (the Medulla Oblongata and Pons)

### **Voluntary Control**

Breathing can be controlled voluntarily by the cerebral cortex (e.g. holding your breath or deliberately hyperventilating)

### **Chemical Control**

1. Inspired

oxygen

arrives at the

alveoli

5. CO2 is

breathed

out, along

with water

vapour

Chemoreceptors are located in the aorta, carotid artery & medulla oblongata. They...

2. Oxygen

dissolves in

the moist

alveolar

membrane

**4.** CO2

diffuses

across the

membrane

# Detect change in blood CO2 concentration

- Exercise means CO2 concentration goes up •
- Breathing rate is increased
- CO2 removal speeds up

#### Detect change in pH (acidity)

- Exercise means blood lactate (acidic) builds up ٠
- Breathing rate is increased •
- Lactate breakdown speeds up ٠

### **ADDITIONAL FACTORS**

- **1.** Asthma

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2. Effects of altitude/partial pressure on the respiratory system