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Thorax Embryology

1. Which of the following combinations best describes the embryological origin of the respiratory tract?

A. Endoderm – cartilage; Mesoderm – epithelial lining

B. Ectoderm – muscle; Endoderm – connective tissue

C. Endoderm – epithelial lining; Mesoderm – connective tissue

D. Mesoderm – epithelial lining; Endoderm – cartilage

Correct Answer: C

During which developmental stage do Type II pneumocytes begin to produce surfactant?
 Embryonic stage

B. Canalicular stage

C. Saccular stage

D. Alveolar stage

Correct Answer: C

3. Failure of the tracheoesophageal septum to form correctly results in which congenital anomaly?

A. Respiratory distress syndrome

B. Cyanosis

C. Esophageal atresia with tracheoesophageal fistula

D. Pulmonary hypoplasia

Correct Answer: C

4. Which of the following is not a characteristic of the canalicular stage of lung development? A. Formation of terminal bronchioles

B. Development of respiratory bronchioles

C. Increase in capillary networks

D. Widening of distal airways

Correct Answer: A

5. Why is the pleura essential for normal lung function?

A. It produces surfactant

B. It transports oxygen to the bloodstream

C. It cushions the lungs and reduces friction during respiration

D. It controls pulmonary circulation

Correct Answer: C





6. The respiratory diverticulum appears as an outgrowth from which embryonic structure during week 4?

- A. Neural tube
- B. Splanchnic mesoderm
- C. Primitive gut tube
- D. Amniotic sac
- Correct Answer: C

 7. What embryological structure separates the pericardial cavity from the pleural cavity? A. Pleuroperitoneal membrane B. Tracheoesophageal septum C. Pleuropericardial membrane D. Diaphragmatic fold Correct Answer: C 	
 8. A newborn with immediate breathing difficulty and a history of prematurity is most likely suffering from: A. Diaphragmatic hernia B. Bronchial atresia C. Respiratory distress syndrome D. Tracheomalacia Correct Answer: C 	
9. Which phase of lung development continues after birth and is essential for increasing su area for gas exchange? A. Saccular stage B. Canalicular stage C. Alveolar stage D. Pseudoglandular stage Correct Answer: C	rface
10. What critical event occurs in the transition from fetal to postnatal circulation? A. Closure of the pleural cavity B. Opening of the tracheoesophageal septum C. Drop in pulmonary vascular resistance	

- D. Formation of tertiary bronchi
- Correct Answer: C

