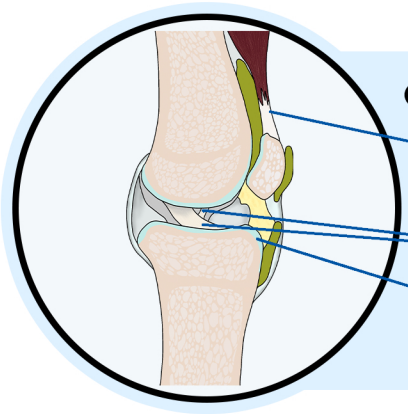
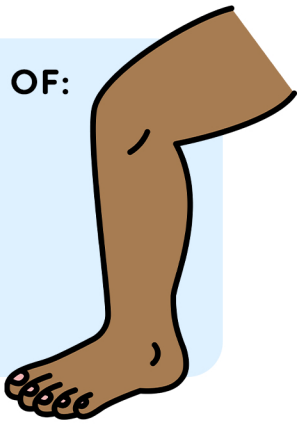
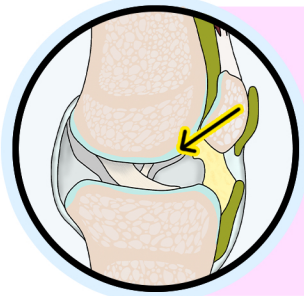
A CLOSER LOOK AT
CONNECTIVE TISSUES



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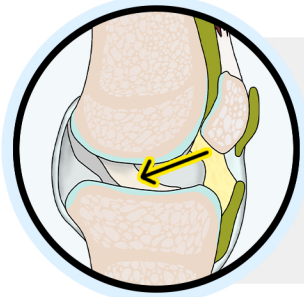
- Tendons
- Ligaments
- Cartilage





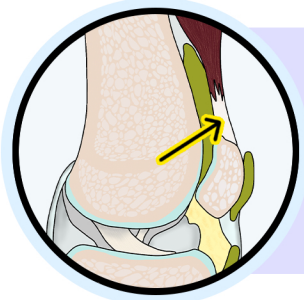
CARTILAGE

A firm, smooth, bendable tissue. Articular cartilage covers the ends of bones inside joints so they glide without rubbing, and cartilage also shapes the nose and ears.



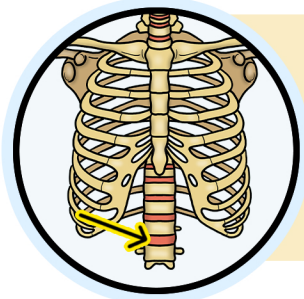
LIGAMENTS

Strong, slightly stretchy bands that connect one bone to another bone. They hold joints together and keep bones from moving too far.



TENDONS

Tough cords that connect muscles to bones. When a muscle pulls, the tendon pulls the bone, and the bone moves.



INTERVERTEBRAL DISCS

Pads of cartilage between the vertebrae. They cushion the spine like shock absorbers and let the back bend and twist.

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