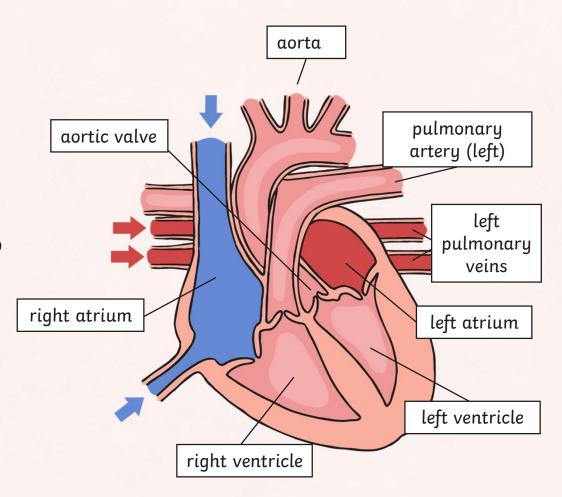


## The Function of the Heart

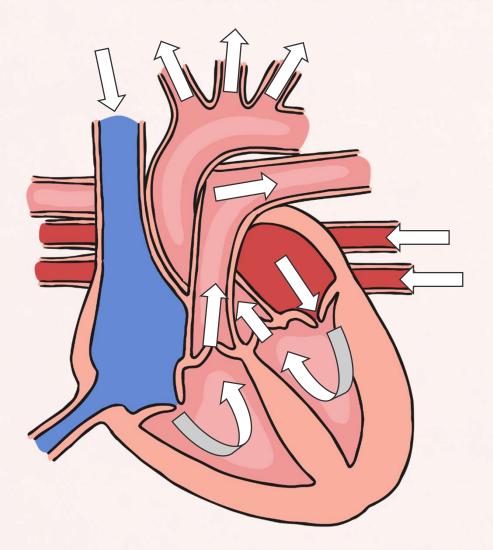
The heart is a powerful muscle that is situated between your lungs, protected by the ribcage.

The heart pumps blood to the lungs to get oxygen.

The heart pumps the oxygenated blood to the rest of the body.



## How the Heart Works



The arrows show the flow of blood through the heart

right atrium

right ventricle

pulmonic valve

pulmonary artery (left)

left pulmonary veins

left atrium

left ventricle

aortic valve

aorta

