ANATOMY

the study of the structure of body parts and their relationships to one another.

BODY PLANES:

• Sagittal – divides the body into right and left parts.

• Frontal or coronal – divides the body into anterior and posterior parts.

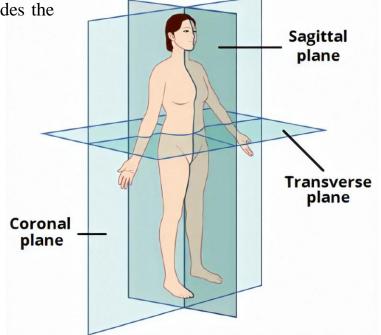
• Transverse or horizontal (cross section) – divides the body into superior and inferior parts.

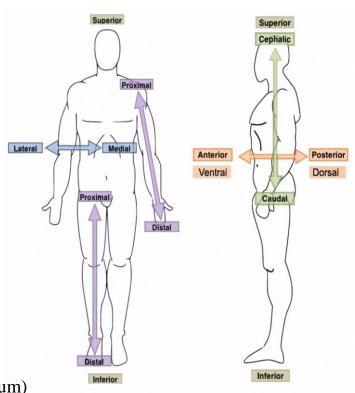
ANATOMICAL POSITION:

- Body erect.
- Feet slightly apart.
- Palms facing forward.
- Thumbs point away from body.

DIRECTIONAL TERMS AND RELATIONS:

- Anterior In front of or front
- Posterior In behind of or behind
- <u>Ventral</u> Towards the front of the body
- Dorsal Towards the back of the body
- Distal Away or farthest away from the trunk or the point of origin of the body part
- Proximal Closer or towards the trunk or the point of origin of the body part
- Median Midline of the body
- Medial Towards the median
- Lateral Away from median
- <u>Superior</u> Towards the top of the head
- Inferior Towards the feet
- Cranial Towards the head
- <u>Caudal</u> Towards the tail
- External Towards the surface, superficial
- Internal Away from the surface, deep
- <u>Superficial</u> Nearer to the surface
- <u>Deep</u> Farther from the surface
- Palmar Anterior hand or palm of hand (palmar)
- Dorsal (of hand) Posterior surface of hand (dorsum)



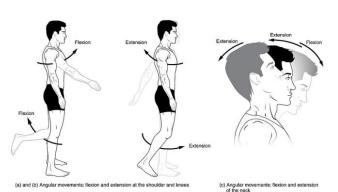


- Plantar Inferior surface of foot (sole)
- Dorsal (of foot) Superior surface of foot (dorsum)

TERMS RELATED TO MOVEMENTS:

<u>Flexion</u> describes a bending movement that decreases the angle between a segment and its proximal segment.

<u>Extension</u> is the opposite of flexion, describing a straightening movement that increases the angle between body parts.



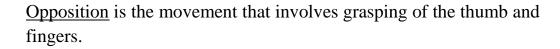
<u>Abduction</u> is a motion that pulls a structure or part away from the midline of the body.

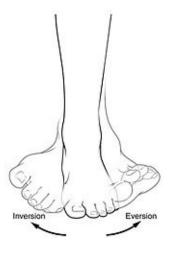
Adduction is a motion that pulls a structure or part towards the midline of the body, or towards the midline of a limb.

<u>Dorsiflexion</u> and <u>plantar flexion</u> refer to extension or flexion of the foot at the ankle.

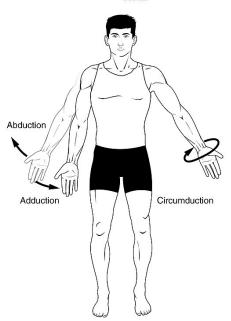
<u>Pronation</u> and <u>supination</u> refer generally to the prone (facing down) or supine (facing up) positions.

<u>Inversion</u> and <u>eversion</u> refer to movements that tilt the sole of the foot away from (eversion) or towards (inversion) the midline of the body.









 (e) Angular movements: abduction, adduction, and circumduction of the upper limb at the shoulder

