

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

# A Skeleton of My Former Self

I used to be popular all year long, not just at Halloween. I could sing and dance and even tell jokes. Now, I'm just a skeleton of my former self. To learn more about what a great body I once had,

complete the problems in the box at the bottom of the page. Then write each answer in its corresponding blank. No bones about it, you'll learn a lot about the body!

When I had a brain, it weighed about (1) \_\_\_\_\_ pounds and was jam-packed with about (2) \_\_\_\_\_ billion nerve cells.

I had beautiful brown eyes and eyelids that blinked about (6) \_\_\_\_\_ times a day. Now I have empty sockets!

My nervous system was really something. Some nerve impulses traveled at (3) \_\_\_\_\_ feet per second. That's as fast as a race car!

Without all that flesh, you can get a good look at my wonderful bone structure. Check out the (7) \_\_\_\_\_ bones in my hand and (8) \_\_\_\_\_ joints in my feet. They are just a few of my (9) \_\_\_\_\_ bones.

One thing I don't miss is my sweaty feet! When I had skin on them, they had about (4) \_\_\_\_\_ sweat glands per square inch!

Without my face, I have no scary expressions. Did you know a face can move in (10) \_\_\_\_\_ different ways?

Skeletons don't get colds or have allergies, so I no longer blast sneezes out of my nose at (5) \_\_\_\_\_ to 100 miles per hour.

Without my body, I am a weakling. It's hard to pump iron when you are missing more than (11) \_\_\_\_\_ muscles.

These days, my food goes right through me. It used to take at least (12) \_\_\_\_\_ hours for my dinner to make it all the way through my digestive system.

- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| 1. $(144 \div 12) - 9 =$ _____             | 5. $(6 \times 5) + (15 \times 3) =$ _____       | 9. $(400 \div 2) + (2 \times 3) =$ _____         |
| 2. $(25 \times 2) + (5 \times 10) =$ _____ | 6. $(375 \times 5) \times (4 \times 2) =$ _____ | 10. $(5 \times 10) \times (7 \times 20) =$ _____ |
| 3. $(43 \times 5) \times 2 =$ _____        | 7. $81 \div (7 - 4) =$ _____                    | 11. $(20 \times 5) \times 6 =$ _____             |
| 4. $50 \times (12 \times 5) =$ _____       | 8. $(19 - 8) \times 3 =$ _____                  | 12. $90 \div (3 \times 2) =$ _____               |

## **Answer Key for “A Skeleton of My Former Self”**

1. 3
2. 100
3. 430
4. 3,000
5. 75
6. 15,000
7. 27
8. 33
9. 206
10. 7,000
11. 600
12. 15