# Human Breast 3D

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#### Lesson

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#### **Objectives**

1) Students will gain a basic understanding of the Human Breast through 3D simulation and visualization

2) Students will gain a deeper understanding of the components of the Human Breast and its function

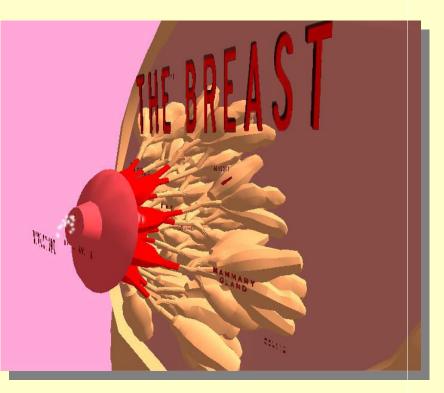
## Activity

Students travel through the Human Breast in real-time 3D, helping them to visualize and understand its structure and function

# **Materials**

## Human Breast3D Homepage

(click or cut and paste URL into browser) http://www.sunrisevr.com/thebreast3d



# **3D Simulation and Investigation**

3D simulations are designed to make subject matter more engaging to today's technology-savvy kids, and help them bridge the gap between the "concrete" world and the abstract world of concepts. When students experience complex subject matter in real-time 3D it becomes clearer. Students learn best when they are actively immersed in subject matter from a variety of different viewpoints; 3D simulation is designed to help students visualize difficult ideas and objects through investigation at any scale (atomic, cellular, planetary, conceptual, etc), and doing things that would normally be impossible.

#### **Required Technology**

- Unity3D/Flash-Enabled Computer
- Internet Access

## **Optional Technology**

- Projector
- Multiple Computers

## Grouping

- Large Group Instruction
- Small Group Instruction
- Individualized Instruction

## Staging

Check computer for Internet access, Unity3D/Flash, and projection if needed

#### Procedure

- 1. Access program
- 2. Pick a lead student navigator to control movement through the 3D environment
- 3. Pick a lead student reader to read information about the Human Breast as it appears on-screen
- 4. Begin the lesson by asking students what they already know about the Human Breast, write responses on the board
- 5. Review basic facts about the Human Breast including:
- The primary function of the Human Breast is to produce milk for newborns through a function called lactation
- The breasts are located above the pectoralis muscles in the chest area
- 6. Start traveling through the program, facilitate discussion by asking students where the class should go
- 7. Use the 3D simulation as a visual aid; explain information as needed
- 8. Have students pay special attention to:
- The Human Breast contains milk glands connected to milk ducts inside the nipple all held together with fatty and connective tissue
- The mammary gland is the organ within the Breast that produces milk
- 9. Have a final wrap-up with students with a question and answer period about the Human Breast. Ask them how it works, the main components of the Human Breast, and why it is important.

## Optional Activity: 3D Scavenger Hunt + Discussion

Have students find a particular part of the Human Breast, such as a milk duct. If students are on multiple computers, have them "race" to the part of the Human Breast the teacher wishes to highlight. Once students find/arrive at the location, the teacher may commence discussion. Repeat in other areas of the simulation as desired to build understanding.

#### Homework/Review

Students may also access the program outside the classroom to supplement textbook questions

#### **Functional Notes**

- The program is available on multiple platforms
- If using the program online, please ensure the Unity3D Player is installed on the computer; through the Internet Explorer Browser; download the latest at <a href="https://unity3d.com/webplayer">https://unity3d.com/webplayer</a>.
- If you see something in red you can probably click on it
- For ease of use you can go through most 3D objects, and even the ground
- The school library can request and access programs (free) at <u>www.sunrisevr.com</u> for off-line use via PC and Mac if there is no internet connection