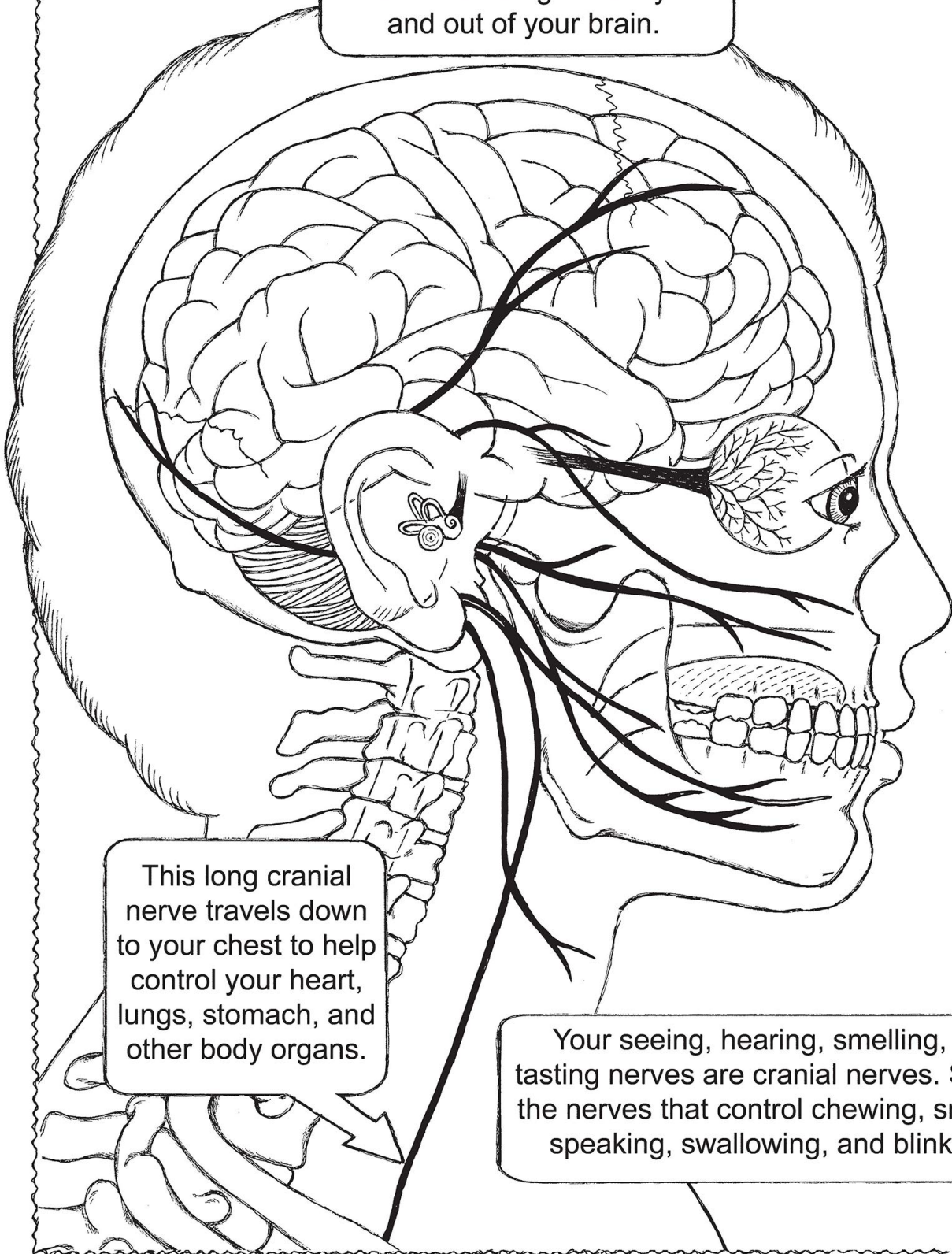


YOUR CRANIAL NERVES

Not all nerves go from your brain to your spinal cord to your muscles. Twelve pairs of cranial nerves go directly in and out of your brain.



This long cranial nerve travels down to your chest to help control your heart, lungs, stomach, and other body organs.

Your seeing, hearing, smelling, and tasting nerves are cranial nerves. So are the nerves that control chewing, smiling, speaking, swallowing, and blinking.