

Head & Neck Mnemonics

Cranial nerves:

Cranial Nerve	Name of Nerve	Mnemonic	Fiber Type	Mnemonic	Foramen	Mnemonic
I	olfactory	Oh,	sensory	Some	cribiform plate	C
II	optic	Oh,	sensory	Say	optic canal	O
III	oculomotor	Oh,	motor	Marry	superior orbital fissure	S
IV	trochlear	To	motor	Money	superior orbital fissure	S
V	trigeminal	Touch	both	But	V1: superior orbital fissure V2: foramen rotundum V3: foramen ovale	S FR FO
VI	abducens	And	motor	My	superior orbital fissure	S
VII	facial	Feel	both	Brother	internal acoustic meatus	I
VIII	vestibulocochlear	Virgin	sensory	Says	internal acoustic meatus	I
IX	glossopharyngeal	Girls'	both	Big	jugular foramen	J
X	vagus	Vaginas	both	Boobs	jugular foramen	J
XI	(spinal) accessory	Ah...	motor	Matter	jugular foramen	J
XII	hypoglossal	...Heaven!	motor	Most	hypoglossal	H

Foramen: COSS (S FR FO)S II JJJ H

Facial nerve branches:

Branch	Mnemonic
temporal	To
zygomatic	Zanzibar
buccal	By
mandibular	Motor
cervical	Car

Trigeminal nerve branches:**Scalp nerve supply:****GLASS**

Greater occipital/Greater auricular

Lesser occipital

Auriculotemporal

Supratrochlear

Supraorbital

Pharyngeal arches:The B's in "**B**ut **B**rother **B**ig **B**oobs" give CNs of arches in order (last is 4th and 6th)

Trigeminal, Facial, Glossopharyngeal, Vagus