Quiz Answer Key

1. Your _______ brain ________ is the boss of your body and controls everything you do.

2. The nervous system is made up of the brain, spinal cord, and _______ nerves ________.

3. The spinal cord helps carry _______ messages or signals ________ back and forth between your body and brain.

4. How many nerves are in your body to send messages to brain and back?
   a. millions
   b. billions

5. What kinds of things are your brain and nervous system in charge of?
   a. walking and running
   b. thinking and talking
   c. feeling and sleeping
   d. breathing and growing
   e. all of the above

6. How much does the average brain weigh?
   About 3 pounds.

7. A neuron is another name for a _______ nerve ________ cell.

8. Name one part of the brain and one of its functions:
   (any one of the following: cerebrum, thinking or moving; cerebellum, balance or coordination; brain stem, breathing, circulation, or digestion; hypothalamus, body temperature, appetite, or sleep; pituitary gland, growth or metabolism)

9. Both the brain and spinal cord are protected by _______ bone ________.

10. Name one function of cerebrospinal fluid:
    (any one of the following: helps protect nerve tissue, keeps nerve tissue healthy, helps removes waste products from brain and spinal cord)