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Learning Activity

# Sperm Production

Learning Outcome

*Students connect puberty to the capacity for human reproduction.*

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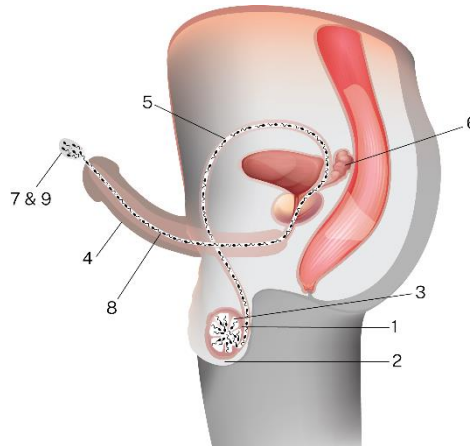


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Read the following description of sperm production and fill in the blanks using the words provided.

## Word Bank

*ejaculation*  
*penis*  
*scrotum*  
*semen*  
*seminal vesicles*  
*sperm*  
*testicles*  
*urethra*  
*vas deferens*



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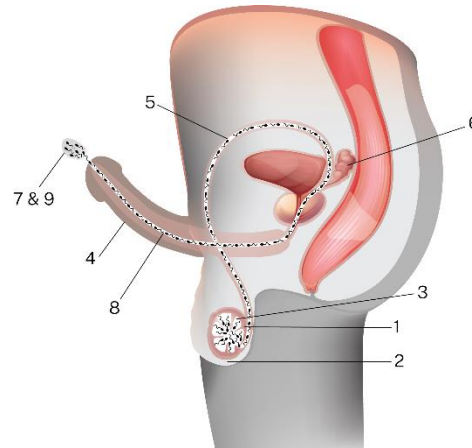


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Answer Key.

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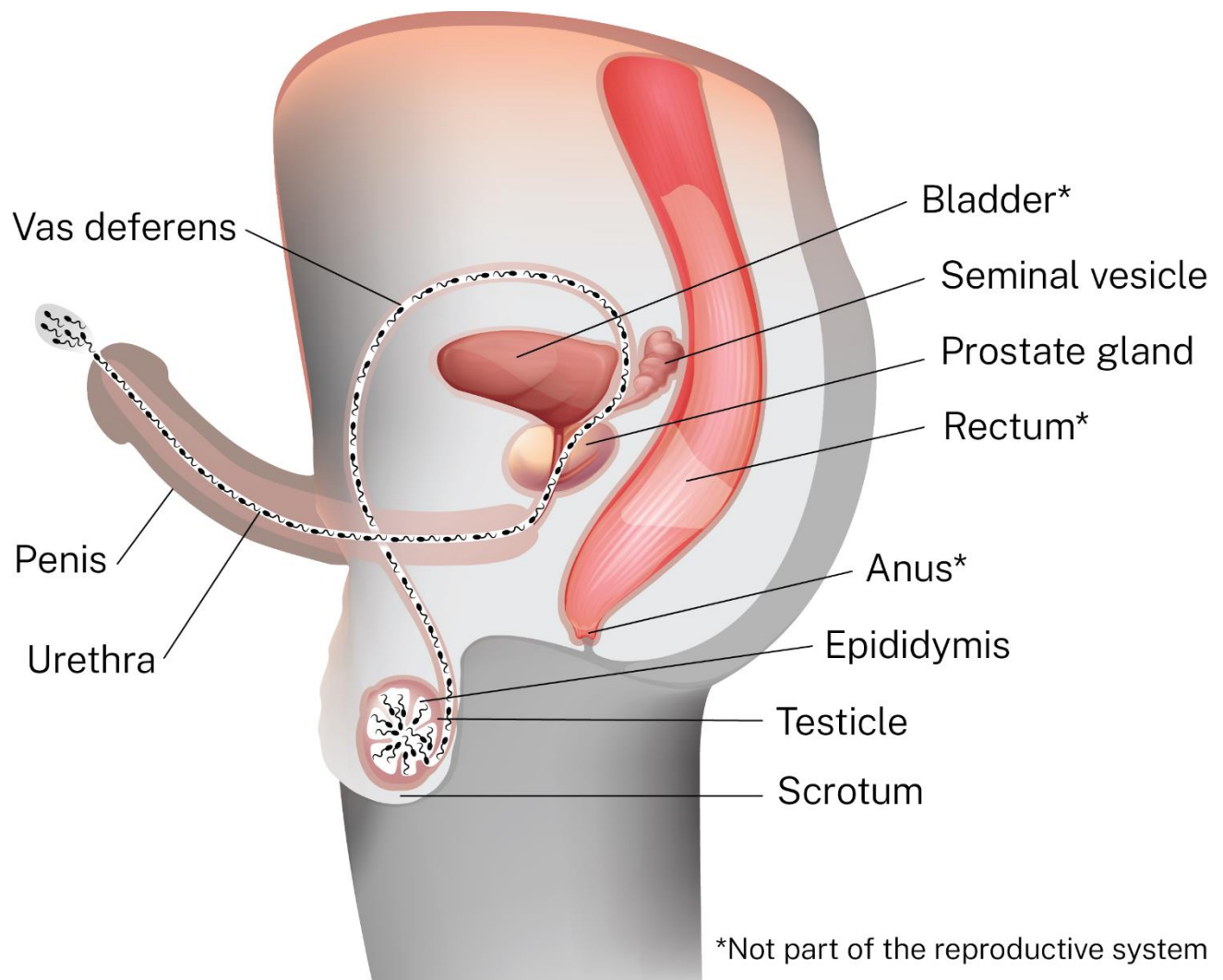
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This diagram shows the process of sperm production.

Draw an arrow  to show the direction the sperm travel out of the testicles.




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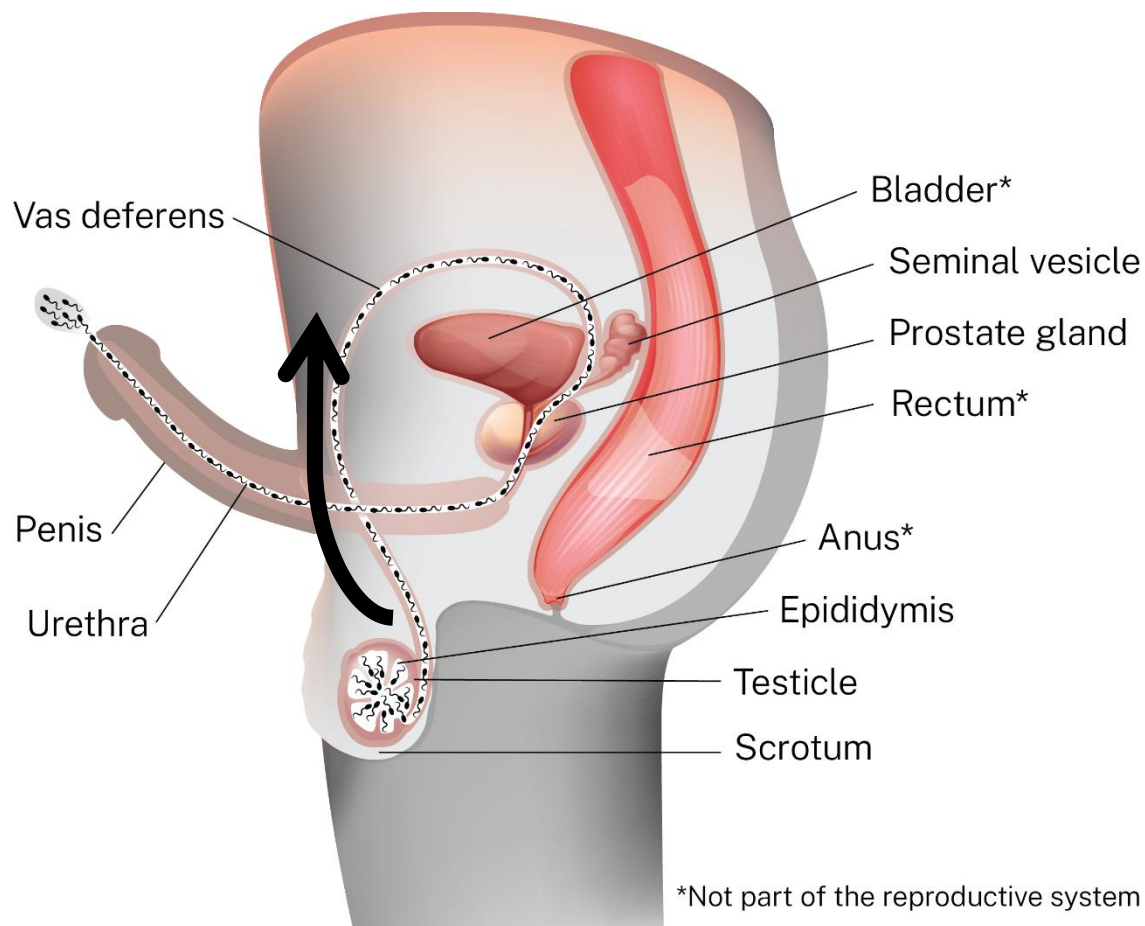
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