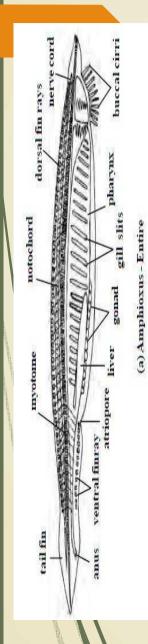
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'ntroduction:

1. Cephalochordates are small fish like animals which show Chordate characters.

2. The notochord extends the entire length of the body.

3. They show a dorsal, tubular neural cord without a definite brain.

General Characters of Cephalochordata

- 1. They are marine, widely distributed in swallow water.
- 2. Body is fish a like and is useful for burrowing and swimming.
- 3. It has distinct head and tail, Appendages are absent.

. Dorsal, caudal and ventral fins are present.

 Body- wall shows one- cell thick, non-ciliated epidermis, dermis, connective tissue, striated muscle and parietal peritoneum.

- It has no exoskeleton. Notochord extends from the anterior end to posterior end.
- 2. Enterocoelic coelom is present. However, reduced in the pharyngeal region by atrium.
- 3. Alimentary canal is long. It includes a large pharynx with many gill-slits ciliary mode of feeding is developed.
- 4. Gills will perform respiration.
- 5. Circulatory system is closed.
- 6. Heart and respiratory pigments are absent.

- Excretory system shows paired protonephridia with solenocytes.
- 2. Brain is not present
- Two pairs of cerebral and several pairs of spinal nerves are present.
- 4. Sexes are separate. Gonads are metamerically arranged and with out gonoducts.
- 5. Asexual reproduction will not take place.Fertilization is external water
- 6. Ex- Amphioxus

