After reading “Alcohol and Your Brain,” complete the blank diagram of the brain. Place the correct label from the list below in each region of the brain:

- Central Nervous System
- Cerebral Cortex
- Cerebellum
- Hypothalamus
- Medulla
- Hippocampus

To the right are descriptions of some functions of the brain along with some effects of alcohol. Write each description in the area of the brain in which it occurs.

Brain function:
- Memory
- Coordinating everyday movement
- Sending signals through the body
- Breathing
- Heart rate
- Decision-making

Effect of Alcohol:
- Loss of balance
- Slow movement
- Act without thinking
- Coma (a lot of alcohol at one time)
- Difficulty learning (long-term alcohol abuse)
- Increase in hunger

Research suggests that a young person’s brain is more sensitive to some of alcohol’s harmful effects because it is still developing.