

MULTIPLE CHOICE

1. Medical language includes terms built from which of the following languages?
- a. German and Russian
 - b. Italian and French
 - c. Greek and Latin
 - d. Chinese and Japanese

ANS: C REF: 3 OBJ: 2
TOP: Origins of Medical Language

2. A medical term formed from the first letters of the words in a phrase, which can be spoken as a whole word and usually contains a vowel, such as laser, is
- a. an eponym.
 - b. modern language.
 - c. built from the English language.
 - d. an acronym.

ANS: D REF: 4 OBJ: 2
TOP: Origins of Medical Language

3. A term named for a person or a place, such as Alzheimer disease named for the physician who first described the symptoms as seen in a patient, is
- a. an acronym.
 - b. built from the English language.
 - c. an eponym.
 - d. modern language.

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4. The word part that contains the fundamental meaning of the word is the
- a. prefix.
 - b. word root.
 - c. suffix.
 - d. combining vowel.

ANS: B REF: 6 OBJ: 4 TOP: Word Parts

5. The word part that is attached to the beginning of a word root to modify its meaning is the
- a. word root.
 - b. suffix.
 - c. prefix.
 - d. combining vowel.

ANS: C REF: 7 OBJ: 4 TOP: Word Parts

6. The word part that is attached to the end of a word root to modify its meaning is the
- a. combining vowel.
 - b. suffix.
 - c. word root.
 - d. prefix.

ANS: B REF: 7 OBJ: 4 TOP: Word Parts

7. All medical terms have at least one
- a. prefix.
 - b. combining vowel.
 - c. suffix.
 - d. word root.

ANS: D REF: 6 OBJ: 4 TOP: Word Parts

8. A combining form is made up of a
- a. word root and a combining vowel.
 - b. prefix and a combining vowel.
 - c. combining vowel and a suffix.
 - d. prefix and a word root.

ANS: A REF: 9 OBJ: 4 TOP: Word Parts

9. A combining vowel is used to
- a. ease word pronunciation.
 - b. modify the meaning of a word.
 - c. make analyzing a word easier.
 - d. make defining a word easier.

ANS: A REF: 8 OBJ: 4 TOP: Word Parts

10. The most common combining vowel is
- a. a.
 - b. i.
 - c. e.
 - d. o.
- ANS: D REF: 8 OBJ: 4 TOP: Word Parts
11. In the term arthr/itis, itis is the
- a. word root.
 - b. prefix.
 - c. combining vowel.
 - d. suffix.
- ANS: D REF: 7 OBJ: 4 TOP: Word Parts
12. In the term sub/hepat/ic, which part is the prefix?
- a. ic
 - b. sub
 - c. hepat
 - d. hepat/o
- ANS: B REF: 7 OBJ: 4 TOP: Word Parts
13. In the term oste/o/arthr/o/pathy, which part is the suffix?
- a. the second o
 - b. oste
 - c. arthr
 - d. pathology
- ANS: D REF: 8 OBJ: 4 TOP: Word Parts
14. The o in arthr/o/pathy is the
- a. combining vowel.
 - b. prefix.
 - c. word root.
 - d. suffix.
- ANS: A REF: 8 OBJ: 4 TOP: Word Parts
15. When defining a medical term, one usually begins the definition with the
- a. word root.
 - b. prefix.
 - c. suffix.
 - d. combining vowel.
- ANS: C REF: 11 OBJ: 5
TOP: Analyze and Define Medical Terms

MATCHING

- Match each item with the correct description below.*
- a. Terms built from word parts
 - b. Terms not built from word parts
 - c. Acronym
 - d. Modern language
 - e. Eponym
 - f. Greek and Latin
1. Languages used in medical terms
2. Name of a place or a person, often a physician or scientist, used to name a condition or technique
3. Use of English language to form a term
4. Can be translated literally to find their meaning
5. The first letters of the words in a phrase that can be spoken as a whole word and usually contains a vowel, are used to form a medical term
6. Cannot be easily translated literally to find their meaning
1. ANS: F REF: 3 OBJ: 2 | 3
TOP: Origins of Medical Language and Categories of Medical Terms
2. ANS: E REF: 4 OBJ: 2 | 3
TOP: Origins of Medical Language and Categories of Medical Terms
3. ANS: D REF: 4 OBJ: 2 | 3
TOP: Origins of Medical Language and Categories of Medical Terms
4. ANS: A REF: 5 OBJ: 2 | 3
TOP: Origins of Medical Language and Categories of Medical Terms
5. ANS: C REF: 4 OBJ: 2 | 3
TOP: Origins of Medical Language and Categories of Medical Terms
6. ANS: B REF: 5 OBJ: 2 | 3
TOP: Origins of Medical Language and Categories of Medical Terms

WORD ROOTS SUFFIXES PREFIXES
arth joint
-itis inflammation
intra- within
hepat liver-
-ic pertaining to
sub- under, below
ven ven
-ous pertaining to
oste bone
-pathy disease
-megaly enlargement
COMBINING VOWEL
o

Using the word parts in the above box, select the correct definition of the following medical terms.

- a. arthr/itis

b. arthr/o/pathy

c. hepat/o/megaly

d. intra/ven/ous

e. hepat/itis

f. hepat/ic

g. oste/o/pathy

h. sub/hepat/ic

7. Pertaining to the liver

8. Disease of the bone

9. Pertaining to within the vein

10. Pertaining to below the liver

11. Disease of a joint

12. Inflammation of a joint

13. Enlargement of the liver

14. Inflammation of the liver
7. ANS: F REF: 12 OBJ: 5

TOP: Analyze and Define Medical Terms

8. ANS: G REF: 12 OBJ: 5

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9. ANS: D REF: 12 OBJ: 5

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10. ANS: H REF: 12 OBJ: 5

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11. ANS: B REF: 12 OBJ: 5

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14. ANS: E REF: 12 OBJ: 5

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Using the word parts in the above box, select the correct medical terms for the definition.

- a. Inflammation of a joint

b. Disease of the bone

c. Inflammation of the liver

d. Pertaining to below the liver

e. Enlargement of the liver

f. Pertaining to the liver

g. Disease of a joint

h. Pertaining to within the vein

15. Hepat/o/megaly

16. Intra/ven/ous

17. Sub/hepat/ic

18. Arthr/itis

19. Arthr/o/pathy

20. Oste/o/pathy

- 21. Hepat/ic
- 22. Hepat/itis
- 15. ANS: E REF: 12 OBJ: 6
TOP: Build Medical Terms for Given Definitions
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