

MULTIPLE CHOICE

1. Medical language includes terms built from which of the following languages?
- German and Russian
 - Italian and French
 - Greek and Latin
 - 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
- an eponym.
 - modern language.
 - built from the English language.
 - 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
- an acronym.
 - built from the English language.
 - an eponym.
 - modern language.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

9. A combining vowel is used to
- ease word pronunciation.
 - modify the meaning of a word.
 - make analyzing a word easier.
 - 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
TOP: Analyze and Define Medical Terms
9. ANS: D REF: 12 OBJ: 5
TOP: Analyze and Define Medical Terms
10. ANS: H REF: 12 OBJ: 5
TOP: Analyze and Define Medical Terms
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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
16. ANS: H REF: 12 OBJ: 6
TOP: Build Medical Terms for Given Definitions
17. ANS: D REF: 12 OBJ: 6
TOP: Build Medical Terms for Given Definitions
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21. ANS: F REF: 12 OBJ: 6
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22. ANS: C REF: 12 OBJ: 6
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