Chapter 01: Introduction to Medical Language and Evolve Student Resources
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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.

   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
   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

13. In the term oste/o/arthr/o/pathy, which part is the suffix?
    a. the second o
    b. oste
    c. arthr
    d. pathy

    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

11. ANS: B　　　　　REF: 12　　　　OBJ: 5
　　TOP: Analyze and Define Medical Terms
12. ANS: A　　　　　REF: 12　　　　OBJ: 5
　　TOP: Analyze and Define Medical Terms
13. ANS: C　　　　　REF: 12　　　　OBJ: 5
　　TOP: Analyze and Define Medical Terms
14. ANS: E　　　　　REF: 12　　　　OBJ: 5
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COMBINING VOWEL
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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
18. ANS: A　　　　　REF: 12　　　　OBJ: 6
　　TOP: Build Medical Terms for Given Definitions

19. ANS: G   REF: 12   OBJ: 6
    TOP: Build Medical Terms for Given Definitions
20. ANS: B   REF: 12   OBJ: 6
    TOP: Build Medical Terms for Given Definitions
21. ANS: F   REF: 12   OBJ: 6
    TOP: Build Medical Terms for Given Definitions
22. ANS: C   REF: 12   OBJ: 6
    TOP: Build Medical Terms for Given Definitions