

Medical Terminology and Meanings

Medicine · Answer Key · 29 Questions

1. What is the study of diseases called?

- A) Cardiology
- B) Neurology
- C) Pathology**
- D) Dermatology

2. Which term refers to the study of the heart?

- A) Ophthalmology
- B) Cardiology**
- C) Gastroenterology
- D) Pulmonology

3. What does the suffix '-itis' typically indicate?

- A) Surgical procedure
- B) Inflammation**
- C) Diagnostic test
- D) Abnormal growth

4. Which medical specialty deals with the skin?

- A) Pediatrics
- B) Oncology
- C) Dermatology**
- D) Radiology

5. What is the term for a physician who specializes in the treatment of cancer?

- A) Cardiologist
- B) Neurologist
- C) Oncologist**
- D) Endocrinologist

6. Which prefix means 'before'?

- A) Post-
- B) Pre-**
- C) Hyper-
- D) Hypo-

7. What is the meaning of the suffix '-ectomy'?

A) Removal

- B) Incision
- C) Repair
- D) Formation

8. Which branch of medicine focuses on the elderly?

A) Geriatrics

- B) Pediatrics
- C) Gynecology
- D) Urology

9. What does 'hypo-' as a prefix generally mean?

A) Above

B) Below

- C) Within
- D) Without

10. Which medical term describes a rapid heart rate?

A) Bradycardia

B) Tachycardia

- C) Arrhythmia
- D) Hypertension

11. What is the study of the nervous system called?

A) Orthopedics

B) Neurology

- C) Otolaryngology
- D) Nephrology

12. What does the suffix '-ology' generally denote?

A) Process

B) Study of

- C) Surgical instrument
- D) Disease

13. Which term refers to a physician specializing in the eyes?

A) Dermatologist

B) Ophthalmologist

- C) Podiatrist
- D) Rheumatologist

14. What is the meaning of the prefix 'ambi-'?

- A) One
- B) Two
- C) Both**
- D) None

15. Which medical term refers to the surgical puncture of a cavity?

- A) Laparotomy
- B) Arthrocentesis
- C) Thoracentesis**
- D) Biopsy

16. What does the suffix '-algia' indicate?

- A) Pain**
- B) Bleeding
- C) Swelling
- D) Discharge

17. Which specialty deals with the kidneys?

- A) Gastroenterology
- B) Pulmonology
- C) Nephrology**
- D) Endocrinology

18. What is the meaning of the prefix 'dys-'?

- A) Normal
- B) Difficult or painful**
- C) Good
- D) Without

19. Which term describes the surgical creation of an opening?

- A) -ostomy**
- B) -rrhaphy
- C) -plasty
- D) -centesis

20. What does the suffix '-emia' relate to?

- A) Blood**
- B) Urine
- C) Feces
- D) Vomit

21. Which medical specialty focuses on the digestive system?

- A) Cardiology
- B) Gastroenterology**
- C) Neurology
- D) Dermatology

22. What does the prefix 'endo-' mean?

- A) Outside
- B) Inside**
- C) Above
- D) Below

23. What is the term for the surgical repair of a bone?

- A) Osteotomy
- B) Osteoplasty**
- C) Arthroplasty
- D) Craniotomy

24. What does the suffix '-rrhea' indicate?

- A) Flow or discharge**
- B) Bleeding
- C) Inflammation
- D) Pain

25. Which specialty deals with the lungs and respiratory system?

- A) Nephrology
- B) Pulmonology**
- C) Ophthalmology
- D) Podiatry

26. What does the prefix 'peri-' mean?

- A) Around**
- B) Within
- C) Above
- D) Below

27. What is the meaning of the suffix '-oma'?

- A) Swelling
- B) Tumor**
- C) Cyst
- D) Abscess

28. Which medical term describes a slow heart rate?

- A) Tachycardia
- B) Hypertension
- C) Bradycardia**
- D) Arrhythmia

29. What does the suffix '-plasty' refer to?

- A) Surgical repair**
- B) Incision
- C) Removal
- D) Formation