PRACTICE: Forming Words from Word Parts

The Right Match

Match the term on the left with the correct definition on the right.

1. combining vowel  
   a. adding this word part to a word root requires no combining vowel
2. -al  
   b. a suffix
3. prefix  
   c. if a suffix begins with this type of letter, use a combining vowel
4. consonant  
   d. used to connect a word root with another word root or a suffix

Break the Chain

Analyze these medical terms:

a) Separate each term into its word parts and label each word part using p = prefix, r = root, cv = combining vowel, and s = suffix.

b) For the Bonus Question, write the requested word part or definition in the blank that follows.

The first set has been completed for you as an example.

1. a) cardiology  
   
   card/i/o/logy
   
   r  cv  s

   b) Bonus Question: What is the definition of the suffix?  
   study or science of

2. a) appendicitis  
   
   /

   b) Bonus Question: What is the definition of the suffix?  

3. a) hepatitis  
   
   /

   b) Bonus Question: What is the definition of the word root?  

4. a) neonatology  
   
   /  /  /  /  /  /  /  /

   b) Bonus Question: Does this term contain a word root?  

5. a) mammoplasty  
   
   /  /  /

   b) Bonus Question: What is the definition of the suffix?  

6. a) electrocardiogram  
   
   /  /  /  /  /  /  /  /  /  /

   b) Bonus Question: How many word roots/combining forms does this term have?  

7. a) prenatal  
   
   /  /  /  /

   b) Bonus Question: What is the definition of the prefix?  

**Fill It In**

Complete the following sentences with the correct plural endings. The first one is completed for you as an example.

1. The plural form of appendicitis is appendicitides.
2. In one day, the surgeon performed several mammoplast_______.
3. The pericardium of the heart includes two layers, the parietal and visceral pericardi_______.
4. The patient was diagnosed with multiple sarcoma tumors, or sarco_______.
5. The diseased heart was found to have many cardiopath_______.

**Linkup**

Link the word parts in the list to create the terms that match the definitions. You may use word parts more than once. Remember to add combining vowels when needed—and that some terms do not use any combining vowel. The first one is completed for you as an example.

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### Chapter Review

#### Word Building

Construct medical terms from the following meanings. (All are built from word parts. Refer to the word parts table on page 15 for word part meanings). The first question has been completed for you as an example.

1. disease within the nose
   - *endorhinopathy*
   - *tonsillitis*

2. surgical removal of the tonsils
   - *tonsillitis*
   - *tonsillogy*

3. surgical repair of the fallopian tube
   - *salpingitis*
   - *salpingaloscopy*

4. inflammation of the skin
   - *dermophthalamy*
   - *dermatology*

5. study or science of the nose
   - *laryngitis*
   - *laryngophthalamy*

6. pertaining to the mind
   - *endoititis*
   - *endoitologica*

7. disease of the nerves
   - *dysphasia*
   - *dysphasia*

8. inherited defect in blood coagulation
   - *hemophilia*
   - *hemophilia*

9. inflammation of the larynx
   - *endocardiaitis*
   - *endocardialoplasty*

10. study or science of life
    - *neuroplasty*
    - *neuroplasty*

11. instrument used for viewing the larynx
    - *cerebrality*
    - *cerebralplasty*

12. study or science of life
    - *encephaliectomy*
    - *encephaliytesia*

13. inflammation of within the heart
    - *hysteroappendicectomy*
    - *hysteroappendicectomy*

14. condition of slow heart (beat)
    - *mammmoplasty*
    - *mammmoplasty*

15. pertaining to against life
    - *appendectomy*
    - *appendectomy*

16. surgical repair of the skin
    - *appendectomy*
    - *appendectomy*

17. study or science of nerves
    - *appendectomy*
    - *appendectomy*

18. pertaining to the cerebrum
    - *appendectomy*
    - *appendectomy*

19. surgical removal of the stomach
    - *appendectomy*
    - *appendectomy*

20. inflammation of the brain
    - *appendectomy*
    - *appendectomy*

21. instrument used for viewing the uterus
    - *appendectomy*
    - *appendectomy*

22. surgical repair of the breast
    - *appendectomy*
    - *appendectomy*

23. surgical removal of the appendix
    - *appendectomy*
    - *appendectomy*

24. pertaining to the liver
    - *appendectomy*
    - *appendectomy*

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