

# **Question bank for medical terminology**



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# gastrointestinal tract Qs

## Building Medical Words

Use esophag/o (esophagus) to build words that mean:

1. pain in the esophagus.....
2. spasm of the esophagus.....
3. stricture or narrowing of the esophagus.....

Use gastr/o (stomach) to build words that mean:

4. inflammation of the stomach.....
5. pain in the stomach.....
6. disease of the stomach.....

Use duoden/o (duodenum), jejun/o (jejunum), or ile/o (ileum) to build words that mean:

7. excision of all or part of the jejunum.....
8. relating to the duodenum.....
9. inflammation of the ileum.....
10. pertaining to the jejunum and ileum.....

Use enter/o (usually small intestine) to build words that mean:

11. inflammation of the small intestine.....
12. disease of the small intestine.....
13. inflammation of the small intestine and colon.....

Use col/o (colon) to build words that mean:

14. inflammation of the colon.....

15. pertaining to the colon and rectum.....
16. prolapse or downward displacement of the colon.....
17. disease of the colon.....

**Use proct/o (anus, rectum) or rect/o (rectum) to build words that mean:**

18. narrowing or constriction of the rectum.....
19. herniation of the rectum.....
20. paralysis of the anus (anal muscles) .....

**Use chol/e (bile, gall) to build words that mean:**

21. inflammation of the gallbladder.....
22. abnormal condition of a gallstone.....

**Use hepat/o (liver) or pancreat/o (pancreas) to build words that mean:**

23. tumor of the liver.....
24. enlargement of the liver.....
25. inflammation of the pancreas.....

# Answers

1. esophagodynia, esophagalgia
2. esophagospasm
3. esophagostenosis
4. gastritis
5. gastrodynia, gastralgie
6. gastropathy
7. jejunectomy
8. duodenal
9. ileitis
10. jejunoileal
  
11. enteritis
12. enteropathy
13. enterocolitis
14. colitis
15. colorectal
16. coloptosis
17. colopathy
18. proctostenosis, rectostenosis
19. rectocele, proctocele
20. proctoplegia, proctoparalysis
21. cholecystitis
22. cholelithiasis
23. hepatoma
24. hepatomegaly
25. pancreatitis

## **Building Surgical Words**

1. excision of gums (tissue).....
2. partial or complete excision of the tongue.....
3. repair of the esophagus.....
4. removal of part or all of the stomach.....
5. forming an opening between the stomach and jejunum.....
6. excision of (part of) the esophagus.....
7. forming an opening between the stomach, small intestine, and colon.....
8. surgical repair of the small intestine.....
9. fixation of the small intestine (to the abdominal wall) .....
10. suture of the bile duct.....
11. forming an opening into the colon.....
12. fixation of a movable liver (to the abdominal wall) .....
13. surgical repair of the anus or rectum.....
14. removal of the gallbladder.....
15. surgical repair of a bile duct.....

# Answers

1. gingivectomy
2. glossectomy
3. esophagoplasty
4. gastrectomy
5. gastrojejunostomy
6. esophagectomy
  
7. gastroenterocolostomy
8. enteroplasty
9. enteropexy
10. choledochorrhaphy
11. colostomy
12. hepatopexy
13. proctoplasty, rectoplasty
14. cholecystectomy
15. choledochoplasty

## **Matching Pathological, Diagnostic, Symptomatic, and Related Terms**

Match the following terms with the definitions in the numbered list.

*Anorexia,, dysphagia,, hematemesis,,  
cachexia,, dyspnea,, lesion,, cirrhosis,,  
fecalith,, melena,, dyspepsia,, halitosis,,  
obstipation*

1. vomiting blood.....
2. difficulty swallowing or inability to swallow.....
3. fecal concretion.....
4. “bad” breath.....
5. loss of appetite.....
6. poor digestion.....
7. degenerative liver disease.....
8. state of ill health, malnutrition, and wasting.....
9. intractable constipation.....
10. open sore.....

# Answers

- 1. hematemesis**
- 2. dysphagia**
- 3. fecolith**
- 4. halitosis**
- 5. anorexia**
- 6. dyspepsia**
- 7. cirrhosis**
- 8. cachexia**
- 9. obstipation**
- 10. lesion**

## **Matching Procedures, Pharmacology, and Abbreviations**

Match the following terms with the definitions in the numbered list.

*Anastomosis,, emetics,, lower GI series,, ultrasonography,, antacids endoscopy ,,  
proctosigmoidoscopy,, upper GI series,,  
antispasmodics,, gastroscopy,, PTHC,, bariatric,,  
intubation,, stat,, bilirubin,, laxatives,,  
stool guaiac,, choledochoplasty,, liver function  
tests ,, stomatoplasty*

- 1) percutaneous transhepatic radiographic examination of bile ducts.....
- 2) breakdown product of hemoglobin, excreted from the body as bile.....
- 3) agents that produce vomiting.....
- 4) agents that alleviate muscle spasms.....
- 5) surgical reconstruction of a bile duct.....
- 6) administration of barium enema while a series of radiographs are taken of the large intestine.....
- 7) visual examination of the stomach.....
- 8) surgical reconstruction of the mouth.....

- 9) insertion of a tube into any hollow organ.....
- 10) surgical formation of a passage or opening between two hollow viscera or vessels.....
- 11) detects presence of blood in the feces; also called Hemoccult.....
- 12) visual examination of a cavity or canal using a specialized lighted instrument.....
- 13) used to treat constipation.....
- 14) neutralize excess acid in the stomach and help to relieve gastritis and ulcer pain.....
- 15) procedure in which high-frequency sound waves produce images of internal body structures that are displayed on a monitor.....
- 16) measures the levels of certain enzymes, bilirubin, and various proteins.....
- 17) surgery that treats morbid obesity.....
- 18) immediately.....
- 19) endoscopic procedure for visualization of the rectosigmoid colon.....
- 20) barium solution swallowed for radiographic examination of the esophagus, stomach, and duodenum.....

# Answers

1. PTHC
2. bilirubin
3. emetics
4. antispasmodics
5. choledochoplasty
6. lower GI series
7. gastroscopy
8. stomatoplasty
9. intubation
10. anastomosis
11. stool guaiac
12. endoscopy
13. laxatives
14. antacids
15. ultrasonography
16. liver function tests
17. bariatric
18. stat.
19. proctosigmoidoscopy
20. upper GI series