

Chapter 1: Introduction to Dental Terminology

TRUE/FALSE

1. A dye is a tooth or bridge pattern used in prosthodontic dentistry.

ANS: F

Dye is coloring material. Die is a pattern.

PTS: 1 DIF: moderate REF: Locate the Dental Word

2. Axillary refers to an underarm site.

ANS: T

Axillary refers to an underarm site but sometimes is confused with auxiliary, which refers to a helping subsidiary.

PTS: 1 DIF: moderate REF: Locate the Dental Word

3. Esthetics pertains to beauty.

ANS: T

Esthetics pertains to beauty but sometimes is confused with anesthesia, which means loss of pain sensation.

PTS: 1 DIF: moderate REF: Locate the Dental Word

4. Facial pertains to the face.

ANS: T

Facial pertains to the face but sometimes is confused with fascial, which pertains to the fibrous membrane on muscles.

PTS: 1 DIF: moderate REF: Locate the Dental Word

5. Palpation is a condition of racing or increased heartbeat.

ANS: F

Palpation is the use of hand or finger pressure to locate/examine but sometimes is confused with palpitation, which refers to a racing heartbeat.

PTS: 1 DIF: moderate REF: Locate the Dental Word

6. Suture refers to either a line where two bones unite or a stitch repairing a wound.

ANS: T

The word "suture" has two meanings: either a line where two bones unite or a stitch repairing a wound.

PTS: 1 DIF: moderate REF: Locate the Dental Word

7. An acronym is a word that is similar in sound and spelling to another word but has a different meaning.

ANS: F

An acronym is an abbreviated form made up of the first letters of several words. A homonym is a word that is similar in sound and spelling to another word but has a different meaning.

PTS: 1 DIF: moderate REF: Locate the Dental Word

8. An acronym is an abbreviated form made up of the first letters of several words.

ANS: T

An acronym is an abbreviated form made up of the first letters of several words but sometimes is confused with homonym, which refers to words that are similar in sound and spelling but have different meanings.

PTS: 1 DIF: moderate REF: Locate the Dental Word

9. An eponym is an abbreviation made up of the first letter of several words.

ANS: F

An eponym is a term that includes the name of the person who developed the procedure, discovered the anatomical area, or similar referent. An acronym is an abbreviation made up of the first letter of several words.

PTS: 1 DIF: moderate REF: Locate the Dental Word

10. A prefix may be added at the end of the word root to modify the meaning.

ANS: F

A prefix may be added to the beginning of the word root. A suffix is added at the end of a word root.

PTS: 1 DIF: moderate REF: Analyze the Structure of the Dental Word

11. A suffix is added at the end of a word root to modify the meaning.

ANS: T

A suffix goes at the end of a word root to modify the meaning. A prefix goes at the beginning.

PTS: 1 DIF: moderate REF: Analyze the Structure of the Dental Word

12. Cyanosis is a descriptive term indicating the yellow coloration of something.

ANS: F

Cyanosis is a descriptive term indicating the bluish coloration of something. The prefix xanth/o is descriptive of yellow coloration.

PTS: 1 DIF: moderate REF: Prefix

13. Laryngitis is the inflammation of the voice box.

ANS: T

Larynx is the root word indicating larynx. In lay terms the larynx is referred to as the voice box.

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Root Words

14. Many medical terms have their origins in Old English.

ANS: F

Many medical terms are derived from Latin; not Old English.

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Analyze the Structure of the Dental Word

COMPLETION

1. PPE is the abbreviation for _____.

ANS: personal protection equipment

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Locate the Dental Word

2. MSDS is the abbreviation for _____.

ANS: material safety data sheet

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Locate the Dental Word

3. CDA is the abbreviation for _____.

ANS: Certified Dental Assistant

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Locate the Dental Word

4. DDS is the abbreviation for _____.

ANS: Doctor of Dental Surgery

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Locate the Dental Word

5. DMD is the abbreviation for _____.

ANS: Doctor of Medical Dentistry

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Locate the Dental Word

6. HVE is the abbreviation for _____.

ANS: high volume evacuation

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Locate the Dental Word

7. PID is the abbreviation for _____.

ANS: position indicating device

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Locate the Dental Word

8. PDR is the abbreviation for _____.

ANS: *Physician's Desk Reference*

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Locate the Dental Word

9. RDH is the abbreviation for _____.

ANS: Registered Dental Hygienist

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Locate the Dental Word

10. ZOE is the abbreviation for _____.

ANS: zinc oxide eugenol

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Locate the Dental Word

11. ALARA is the abbreviation for _____.

ANS: as low as reasonably achievable

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Locate the Dental Word

12. ANUG is the abbreviation for _____.

ANS: acute necrotizing ulcerative gingivitis

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Locate the Dental Word

13. FFD is the abbreviation for _____.

ANS: film focus distance

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Locate the Dental Word

14. HIV is the abbreviation for _____.

ANS: human immunodeficiency virus

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Locate the Dental Word

15. MPD is the abbreviation for _____.

ANS: maximum permissible dose

PTS: 1 DIF: easy REF: Locate the Dental Word

MATCHING

Match the prefix with its correct meaning.

a. a-/an-

b. bi-

f. prim/i-

g. quad/quat-

- c. hemi-
- d. mon/o-
- e. poly-

- h. semi-
- i. tri-
- j. uni-

1. half
2. one
3. without
4. three
5. four
6. two/double
7. one
8. half
9. first
10. many

1. ANS: C PTS: 1 DIF: easy
REF: Analyze the Structure of the Dental Word
2. ANS: D PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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3. ANS: A PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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4. ANS: I PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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5. ANS: G PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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6. ANS: B PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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7. ANS: J PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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8. ANS: H PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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9. ANS: F PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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10. ANS: E PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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Match the prefix with its correct meaning.

- a. albus
- b. cyan/o
- c. erythr/o

- d. melan/o
- e. xanth/o

11. yellow
12. black
13. blue
14. red
15. white

11. ANS: E PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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12. ANS: D PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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13. ANS: B PTS: 1 DIF: easy

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14. ANS: C PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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15. ANS: A PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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Match the prefix with its correct meaning.

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| a. hyper- | d. micro- |
| b. hypo- | e. pan- |
| c. macro- | f. ultra- |
16. large
17. under/below
18. small/minute
19. over/excess
20. all around
21. extreme/beyond

16. ANS: C PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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17. ANS: B PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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18. ANS: D PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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19. ANS: A PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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20. ANS: E PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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21. ANS: F PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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Match the prefix with its correct meaning.

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| a. ab- | m. inter- |
| b. ad- | n. im- |
| c. ana- | o. mes/o- |
| d. ante- | p. para- |
| e. de- | q. peri/o- |
| f. dia- | r. post- |
| g. ecto- | s. pre/ante- |
| h. endo- | t. retro- |
| i. epi- | u. sub- |
| j. ex/o- | v. supra- |
| k. in- | w. syn- |
| l. infra- | x. trans- |
22. within
23. apart
24. near/beside
25. into/in
26. before
27. above/over
28. into/position
29. in front

30. toward/near
31. mid, among
32. outside
33. after/later
34. complete
35. around
36. down from
37. lesser than
38. through
39. behind/back
40. under/below
41. together
42. in midst of
43. away from
44. out from
45. upon/over

22. ANS: H PTS: 1 DIF: easy
REF: Analyze the Structure of the Dental Word
23. ANS: C PTS: 1 DIF: easy
REF: Analyze the Structure of the Dental Word
24. ANS: P PTS: 1 DIF: easy
REF: Analyze the Structure of the Dental Word
25. ANS: K PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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26. ANS: S PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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27. ANS: V PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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28. ANS: N PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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29. ANS: D PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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30. ANS: B PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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31. ANS: O PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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32. ANS: G PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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33. ANS: R PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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34. ANS: F PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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35. ANS: Q PTS: 1 DIF: easy
REF: Analyze the Structure of the Dental Word
36. ANS: E PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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37. ANS: U PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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38. ANS: X PTS: 1 DIF: easy
REF: Analyze the Structure of the Dental Word

39. ANS: T PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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40. ANS: L PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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41. ANS: W PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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42. ANS: M PTS: 1 DIF: easy
REF: Analyze the Structure of the Dental Word
43. ANS: A PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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44. ANS: J PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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45. ANS: I PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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Match the prefix with its correct meaning.

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| a. a-, an- | g. in- |
| b. anti- | h. mal- |
| c. brady- | i. neo- |
| d. con- | j. tachy- |
| e. contra- | k. un- |
| f. dis- | |
46. non/not
47. not
48. opposite to
49. new
50. without
51. with
52. removal
53. fast
54. slow
55. against
56. bad

46. ANS: K PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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47. ANS: G PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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48. ANS: B PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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49. ANS: I PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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50. ANS: A PTS: 1 DIF: easy
REF: Analyze the Structure of the Dental Word
51. ANS: D PTS: 1 DIF: easy
REF: Analyze the Structure of the Dental Word
52. ANS: F PTS: 1 DIF: easy
REF: Analyze the Structure of the Dental Word
53. ANS: J PTS: 1 DIF: easy
REF: Analyze the Structure of the Dental Word
54. ANS: C PTS: 1 DIF: easy

- REF: Analyze the Structure of the Dental Word
55. ANS: E PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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56. ANS: H PTS: 1 DIF: easy
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Match the root word with its correct meaning.

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| a. apical | f. glossa |
| b. buccal | g. labial |
| c. coronal | h. mesial |
| d. dens | i. orthos |
| e. distal | j. stoma |
57. tooth
58. farthest from center
59. tongue
60. cheek
61. middle, mid-plane
62. crown
63. mouth
64. lip
65. apex of root
66. straight, proper order

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| 57. ANS: D | PTS: 1 | DIF: easy | REF: Root Words |
| 58. ANS: E | PTS: 1 | DIF: easy | REF: Root Words |
| 59. ANS: F | PTS: 1 | DIF: easy | REF: Root Words |
| 60. ANS: B | PTS: 1 | DIF: easy | REF: Root Words |
| 61. ANS: H | PTS: 1 | DIF: easy | REF: Root Words |
| 62. ANS: C | PTS: 1 | DIF: easy | REF: Root Words |
| 63. ANS: J | PTS: 1 | DIF: easy | REF: Root Words |
| 64. ANS: G | PTS: 1 | DIF: easy | REF: Root Words |
| 65. ANS: A | PTS: 1 | DIF: easy | REF: Root Words |
| 66. ANS: I | PTS: 1 | DIF: easy | REF: Root Words |

Match the suffix with its correct meaning.

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| a. -algia | g. -phobia |
| b. -ate, -ize | h. -plasty |
| c. -cyte | i. -rrhea |
| d. -ectomy | j. -scope |
| e. -ology | k. -tomy |
| f. -opsy | l. -trophy |
67. surgical repair
68. view
69. pain
70. discharge
71. incision
72. instrument
73. surgical removal
74. cell
75. development

- 76. study of
- 77. dread, fear
- 78. use/action

67.	ANS: H	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Suffix
68.	ANS: F	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Suffix
69.	ANS: A	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Suffix
70.	ANS: I	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Suffix
71.	ANS: K	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Suffix
72.	ANS: J	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Suffix
73.	ANS: D	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Suffix
74.	ANS: C	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Suffix
75.	ANS: L	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Suffix
76.	ANS: E	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Suffix
77.	ANS: G	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Suffix
78.	ANS: B	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Suffix

Match the dental term with its meaning.

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| a. bicuspid | e. anodontia |
| b. macrodontia | f. glossa |
| c. gingivectomy | g. mastication |
| d. odontalgia | h. xerostoma |

- 79. without teeth
- 80. having large teeth
- 81. referring to the tongue
- 82. act of chewing
- 83. a tooth with two cusps
- 84. surgical excision of the gingiva
- 85. dry mouth
- 86. pain of the teeth

79.	ANS: E	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Define the Meaning of the Dental Word
80.	ANS: B	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Define the Meaning of the Dental Word
81.	ANS: F	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Define the Meaning of the Dental Word
82.	ANS: G	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Define the Meaning of the Dental Word
83.	ANS: A	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Define the Meaning of the Dental Word
84.	ANS: C	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Define the Meaning of the Dental Word
85.	ANS: H	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Define the Meaning of the Dental Word
86.	ANS: D	PTS: 1	DIF: easy	REF: Define the Meaning of the Dental Word