Word Quest 6

List 5 · Body and health 2

Vocabulary and example	Write it

pneumonia n. /njuːˈməʊnɪə/

a serious infection of the lungs

Tip: The “p” is silent: new-MOH-nee-uh.

Grandpa was in hospital with **pneumonia**.

practitioner n. /prækˈtɪʃənə/

a person who works in a profession, especially medicine

Family: practitioners

She’s a general **practitioner**, a family doctor.

psychiatric adj. /ˌsaɪkɪˈætrɪk/

about mental illness and its treatment

Tip: The “p” is silent.

He received **psychiatric** care.

psychiatry n. /saɪˈkaɪətri/

the study and treatment of mental illness

Family: psychiatrist (n.)

She plans to specialize in **psychiatry**.

psychotic adj. /saɪˈkɒtɪk/

having a serious mental illness in which you lose touch with reality

Family: psychosis (n.) **Tip:** A medical word; don’t use it as an insult.

The patient had a **psychotic** episode and needed urgent help.

reproductive adj. /rɪprəˈdʌktɪv/

about producing babies or young

Family: reproduce (v.)

We studied the **reproductive** system of plants.

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saliva n. /səˈlaɪvə/

the liquid in your mouth

Saliva helps you digest food.

seizure n. /ˈsiːʒə/

a sudden attack of illness, like a fit; also, taking something by force

Family: seizures

He had a **seizure** and fell to the floor.

sensory adj. /ˈsensəri/

about the senses: sight, hearing, touch, taste, smell

Family: senses (n.)

Babies learn through **sensory** play.

smallpox n. /ˈsmɔːlpɒks/

a serious disease, now wiped out, that caused fever and spots

Smallpox was eliminated in 1980.

1980

sterile adj. /ˈsteraɪl/

completely clean, with no bacteria; also, unable to have babies

Family: sterilize (v.)

The nurse used a **sterile** needle.

stricken adj. /ˈstrɪkən/

seriously affected by illness or trouble

The **stricken** town needed help after the flood.

subsist v. /sʌbˈsɪst/

to stay alive with very little money or food

Family: subsists · subsisted · subsistence (n.)

They **subsisted** on rice and vegetables.

Vocabulary and example	Write it
susceptible adj. /səˈseptɪbl/ easily affected or harmed **Family:** susceptibility (n.) **Use it with:** susceptible to Old people are more **susceptible** to flu.	
terminal adj./n. /ˈtɜːmɪnl/ (of an illness) leading to death; also, a building at an airport **Family:** terminals **Use it with:** a terminal illness The plane leaves from **Terminal** 2.	
thrive v. /θraɪv/ to grow or develop well **Family:** thrives · thrived/throve Plants **thrive** in this warm climate.	

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