

# **Commonly Used Vocabulary in OET**

## **Exercise 1**

chronic	varicose	progress	pulsate	excessive	murmur	superficial	
infect	discolou	ration	femur	exertion	necessary	gangrenous	
shiny	derive	pare	insufficie	ency dilated	vein	injury	

Put the words above into the correct boxes below. Try and find some other word forms for them - can they go in other boxes?

Noun	Verb	Adjective

## **Exercise 2**

## Use words from the above box to paraphrase the below sentences:

- 1. There aren't enough GP's surgeries in the UK.
- 2. The development of some diseases can be rapid.
- 3. She has had eczema for 25 years.
- 4. His pupils were very large.
- 5. I think the cause of his heart attack was a work out at the gym which was too strenuous.
- 6. Dirt can cause inflammation and pain in wounds.
- 7. The artery at the top of her leg was punctured.
- 8. During her recovery from severe burns, the skin on her back was slightly grey.
- 9. I don't believe you'll need stitches.
- 10. The doctor listened to my chest with a stethoscope. She heard some swishing noises.



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# **Exercise 3**

# Match a word in the box with a prompt below and give me a sentence. Try and be creative!

- toenails
- medical language/Greek
- not/require/surgery
- blood
- Ronaldo/miss/World cup



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#### **Answers**

#### Exercise 1

Noun	Verb	Adjective	
varicosity	progress	chronic	
progress	pulsate	varicose	
pulsation	exceed	progressive	
pulse	murmur	pulsatile	
excess	infect	excessive	
murmur	discolour	superficial	
superficiality	exert	infective	
infection	necessitate	infectious	
discolouration	shine	infected	
femur	derive	discoloured	
exertion	pare	femoral	
necessity	suffice	necessary	
gangrene	dilate / dilatate	gangrenous	
shine	injure	shiny	
shininess		derived from	
derivation		pared back/down	
insufficiency		insufficient	
dilation / dilatation		dilated	
vein		venous	
injury		injured	
		injurious	

## Exercise 2

- 1. There is an insufficiency of GP's surgeries in the UK.
- 2. Some diseases can **progress** rapidly. The **progression** of some diseases is rapid.
- 3. She has **chronic** eczema.
- 4. His pupils were extremely dilated.
- 5. I think the cause of his heart attack was due to **excessive exercise** at the gym. / **overexertion** at the gym.
- 6. Dirt can cause inflammation and pain in wounds. / Pain and inflammation can derive from dirt in wounds. Dirt can infect wounds/ can cause infection in wounds / can cause gangrene.
- 7. The **femoral artery** was punctured.
- 8. During her recovery from severe burns, the skin on her back was **discoloured**.
- 9. I think it is just **superficial**. Stitches are unnecessary. There is no necessity for stiches. I don't think this wounds necessitates stitches.
- 10. The doctor listened to my chest with a stethoscope. She heard a (heart) murmur.

#### **Exercise 3**

## Some possible examples:

- Mr Smith pared his toenails with clippers.
- Most medical language is derived from Greek.
- Surgery is unnecessary.
- Veins carry blood back to the heart.



• Ronaldo is going to miss the world cup due to an injury.