

Vocabulary

Exercise 1

Sort the words below into groups and give a title for each group:

atrophy wheal genetic infectious flexion immobility tear erythema adduction paralysis papule pull fissuring incapacitation pruritic hereditary systemic paraplegic			

Exercise 2

Use vocabulary from the box below to either fill the gaps, replace a word or rephrase:

1. We can see that pain has spread to her hands and fingers. I'm afraid that it appears to be
2. If you don't try and work on your muscles, I'm afraid they will
3. Aside from the on his back I couldn't see any sign of allergic reaction.
4. I can assure you Mr Smith, although you have cold sores, it doesn't mean your children will be born with the herpes simplex virus.
5. The consequences of strokes are often severe. A patient on my ward cannot move now.
6. Some rashes aren't itchy.
7. The pain only comes when I bend my knee.
8. You should book an appointment to see your podiatrist, Miss Smith, as there are significant cracks in the heel of your foot.

Answers

skin problem	muscle	mobility	descriptions of diseases/conditions
wheal/weal - raised red mark	atrophy - loss of muscle - wasting	immobility paralysis incapacitation paraplegic	genetic infectious hereditary systemic
erythema - redness	adduction		
pruritic - itchy	flexion		
fissuring - cracking	tear		
papule - small lumps	pull		

1. We can see that pain has spread to her hands and fingers. I'm afraid that it appears to be **systemic**.
2. If you don't try and work on your muscles, I'm afraid they will **atrophy**.
3. Aside from the **weals/erythema/papules** on his back I couldn't see any sign of allergic reaction.
4. I can assure you Mr Smith, herpes simplex is not **hereditary**. I can assure you Mr Smith, although you have cold sores, it doesn't mean it is hereditary.
5. The consequences of strokes are often severe. A patient on my ward is **paralysed**.
6. Some rashes aren't **pruritic**.
7. The pain only comes with/upon **flexion**.
8. You should book an appointment to see your podiatrist, Miss Smith, as there is **fissuring** in the heel of your foot.