

Nominalisation

Exercise 2. First, check your answers to Exercise 1 in the key. Then rewrite the sentences below, changing the verbs (which are in **bold**) to nouns. Do not change the meaning of the sentences, but be prepared to make grammatical changes if necessary. The first one has been done for you as an example.

1. I **diagnosed** that the patient had a heart condition.

My **diagnosis was that the patient had a heart condition.**

2. I **examined** the patient fully.

I made a full _____

3. I **prescribed** a course of antibiotics.

I wrote a _____

4. He **suffered** very little.

He experienced very little _____

5. We **operated** immediately.

The _____

6. This disease cannot be **cured**.

There is no _____

7. He has **recovered** fully.

He has made a full _____

8. The lab **analysed** the blood sample.

The lab made an _____

9. We found that the tissue was **infected**.

We found an _____

10. Ten per cent of the population are thought to **carry** the bacteria.

Ten per cent of the population are thought to be _____

11. We **replaced** the patient's hip.

The patient was given a hip _____

12. His condition has **degenerated**.

There has been a _____

13. The patient was **referred** to a specialist.

The patient was given a _____

14. His arm was **paralysed** after the stroke.

He suffered _____

15. The artery was **obstructed** by a blood clot.

The blood clot was forming an _____

Answers

- 2) A full examination of the patient
- 3) Prescription for antibiotics
- 4) Suffering
- 5) The operation was done immediately
- 6) Cure for this disease
- 7) Recovery
- 8) An analysis of the blood sample
- 9) An infection in the tissue
- 10) Carriers of the bacteria
- 11) Replacement
- 12) A degeneration of/in his condition
- 13) A referral to a specialist
- 14) Paralysis of/in his arm / Arm paralysis
- 15) An obstruction in the artery