

VOCABULARY TEST:

Using the words below, fill in the blanks.

		ointment	
to determine	potent		moderate
pitting		carry out	onset / outset
clear up	stands for		prove to be
		upbeat	
splitting			flare up
	back with a vengeance		deteriorate
twinge		excruciating	

- 1 We need _____ what is causes this.
- 2 The problem may _____ again so please make an appointment.
- 3 I felt something, but it was only a _____ at first so, stupidly, I continued playing.
- 4 Sometimes when symptoms go away patients think they are cured but then _____ if they don't change their lifestyle
- 5 Mrs Green visited our clinic on 19th July and seamed generally _____
- 6 I had a _____ headache all yesterday and its just _____
- 7 The new _____ may well _____ the solution.
- 8 She didn't _____ my instructions
- 9 This is a very _____ analgesic so be careful.
- 10 With _____ treatment it will _____ in no time.

Answers are on the next page

Answers:

- 1 We need to determine what is causes this.
- 2 The problem may flare up again so please make an appointment.
- 3 I felt something, but it was only a twinge at first so, stupidly, I continued playing.
- 4 Sometimes when symptoms go away patients think they are cured but then they come back with a vengeance if they don't change their lifestyle
- 5 Mrs Green visited our clinic on 19th July and seemed generally upbeat
- 6 I had a splitting headache all yesterday and its just deteriorating
- 7 The new ointment may well prove to be the solution.
- 8 She didn't carry out my instructions
- 9 This is a very potent analgesic so be careful.
- 10 With moderate treatment it will clear up in no time.

Bonus task: complete the form and email alain@set-english.com for me to check

Word	Form	Meaning	Example
ointment			
to determine			
Potent			
moderate			
Pitting			
carry out			
onset / outset			
prove to be			It proved to be useful in detecting radiation
clear up			I do not know what that stands for
stands for			
upbeat			
flare up			
splitting			
back with a vengeance			And now the symptoms are back with a vengeance
deteriorate			
Twinge			
excruciating			

Complete this table and email alain@set-english.com

ONSET
VERSUS
OUTSET

Onset refers to the start or beginning of something

Outset refers to the beginning or initial stages of something

Implies something unpleasant or negative

Does not have negative connotations

Followed by the preposition *of*

Preceded by prepositions *from* or *at*

Can be used to talk about the beginning of future events as well

Usually used to refer to the beginning of past events