

Reading Part A & B Vocabulary

Exercise 1

Match the definitions with the vocabulary:

Vocabulary	Definition
1. malnourished	a) break open / burst suddenly
2. impaired	b) possible /practicable
3. pigment	c) soak up
4. abrasion	d) without life
5. rupture	e) dead skin around a wound or burn that can be removed
6. viable	f) unwell due to a lack of proper nutrition
7. sufficient	g) damaged / not working in some way
8. absorb	h) a scratch or graze
9. eschar	i) the natural colouring matter of an organism
10. devitalised	j) enough for what we need to do

Exercise 2

Can you think of any other forms of the words provided?

verb	noun	adjective
		malnourished
		impaired
	pigment	
	abrasion	
rupture		
		viable
		sufficient
absorb		
	eschar	
		devitalised

Exercise 3

Use words from the table to complete the sentences below:

undermine	exudate	biocompatible	abscess	macerated
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- It's essential to use dressings which are 1) with wounds.
- The positive effects of the physiotherapy sessions are being 2) by Mr Smith's unwillingness to do his exercises at home.
- If a wound is kept covered for too long it can become 3)
- You can find 4) anywhere in the human body. They contain 5) and are often very painful.

Answers

Exercise 1

verb	noun	adjective
malnourish	malnourishment	malnourished
impair	impairment	impaired
-	pigment pigmentation	pigmented
abrade	abrasion	abrasive
rupture	rupture	ruptured
-	viability	viable
suffice	sufficiency	sufficient
absorb	absorption	absorbent absorbable
-	eschar	-
devitalise	devitalisation	devitalised

Exercise 2

Vocabulary	Definition
1. malnourished	unwell due to a lack of proper nutrition In some countries, there are high rates of <i>malnourished</i> children.
2. impaired	damaged / not working in some way Macular degeneration leads to <i>impaired</i> vision / sight.
3. pigment	the natural colouring matter of an organism Albinism is characterized by a lack of skin <i>pigment</i> .
4. abrasion	a scratch or graze When I fell off my bike I had a number of <i>abrasions</i> on my legs and arms.
5. rupture	break open / burst suddenly

	The blister on Mrs Johnson's back <i>has ruptured</i> .
6. viable	possible /practicable The long term plan for managing the NHS is not <i>viable</i> .
7. sufficient	enough for what we need to do We have <i>sufficient</i> resources for the department.
8. absorb	soak up Sponges <i>absorb</i> water.
9. eschar	dead skin around a wound or burn that can be removed
10. devitalised	no longer having life The flesh around the wound became <i>devitalised</i> .

Exercise 3

- It's essential to use dressings which are 1) **biocompatible** with wounds.
- The positive effects of the physiotherapy sessions are being 2) **undermined** by Mr Smith's unwillingness to do his exercises at home.
- If a wound is kept covered for too long it can become 3) **macerated**.
- You can find 4) **abscesses** anywhere in the human body. They contain 5) **exudate** and are often very painful.