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OET Writing – Articles in Medical Language

Starter

Look at these sentences and correct any mistakes you find:

1. We give **the** patient **the** metformin, 500mg, daily.
2. **The** Medical staff should listen to patients **s** when they are talking.
3. **The** Mr Banerjee underwent **a** surgery on **the** 24th June 2024.
4. Mrs Arap had **an** MRI scan and then commenced **a** physiotherapy.

Activity:

For each column, think of five example nouns or noun phrases

Can we use 'a/an' or not?

Treatment	Conditions	Injuries	Equipment	Symptoms	Medication
Countable or Uncountable?	Countable or Uncountable?	Countable or Uncountable?	Countable or Uncountable?	Countable or Uncountable?	Countable or Uncountable?
Physiotherapy	Diabetes	a fracture	a thermometer	a headache	Metformin
Chemotherapy	Obesity	a sprain	a syringe	(a) fever	Antibiotics
Radiotherapy	Cancer	a burn	an IV catheter	Dizziness	Ibuprofen
Surgery	Hypertension	a broken leg	a needle	a dizzy spell	Painkillers
Counselling	Glaucoma	a twisted ankle	an injection pump	a stomach ache	Paracetamol
a physiotherapy session	Asthma		a wheelchair	Vomiting	Insulin
an operation	Constipation			Diarrhoea	Diazepam
a procedure	an asthma attack			a bout/episode of diarrhoea	Antipyretics
an intervention	an episode of asthma			a cough	a pill
an appendectomy	an ulcer			Coughing	an injection
				a runny nose	a tablet
				(a) pain	

Mrs Jones had surgery last week. **The** surgery was successful.

Mr Iqbal took **a** tablet of ibuprofen this morning. **The** tablet was taken with food.