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OET Listening – Vocabulary

Starter:

Read the questions below and consider your answer.

You may be asked to answer verbally:

1. In your opinion, what treatment options or policies should be **rolled out as standard** across the healthcare system?
2. What would be your advice if a patient feels a migraine **coming on**?
3. At least a **dozen** patients are waiting for their appointment but you are running late – how do you manage the patients effectively before they become agitated?

Spelling Test:

1. Bloating
2. Self-conscious
3. To snowball
4. Tangent
5. Irreversible
6. Frail
7. Novelty
8. Chore
9. Discrepancy
10. Aggravate
11. Shooting
12. Freshen up
13. Compassionate
14. Rapport
15. Repercussions
16. Preconceived
17. Jargon
18. Contradictory
19. Unwittingly
20. Giveaway
21. Betray

Now use the words from the Spelling Test to complete the sentences below:

1. The **frail** elderly man struggled to carry out daily tasks independently.
2. Failing to adhere to the prescribed treatment plan can have serious **repercussions**.
3. If left untreated, the initial symptoms can **snowball** into more severe complications.
4. There was a **discrepancy** between the patient's reported symptoms and the test results.
5. The doctor explained the diagnosis without using medical **jargon** to ensure understanding.
6. The **shooting** pain down his leg indicated possible nerve compression.
7. The **novelty** of the new treatment approach sparked interest among researchers.
8. After a long procedure, the patient was allowed to **freshen up** in the bathroom before visitors arrived.
9. She was **self-conscious** about the scar on her face, which affected her confidence.
10. The patient presented with symptoms that were **contradictory**, with fever and chills indicating a possible infection and also symptoms suggestive of a gastrointestinal issue.
11. Unfortunately, the damage to the nerves is **irreversible** and will require ongoing management.
12. Stress can **aggravate** existing medical conditions, leading to flare-ups.
13. His nervous laughter was a **giveaway** that he was feeling anxious.
14. For some patients, managing their medication regimen becomes a tedious **chore**.
15. She **unwittingly** ignored the early warning signs of a heart condition.
16. Building **rapport** with patients is crucial for effective communication and trust.
17. During the discussion, the conversation went off topic and onto a **tangent** about alternative treatment options.
18. The **compassionate** nurse stayed with the grieving family throughout the night.
19. The patient was feeling **bloated** after consuming a heavy meal.
20. It's important to approach each case without **preconceived** notions to avoid bias.
21. The patient felt **betrayed** when he discovered his medical records had been accessed without authorisation.