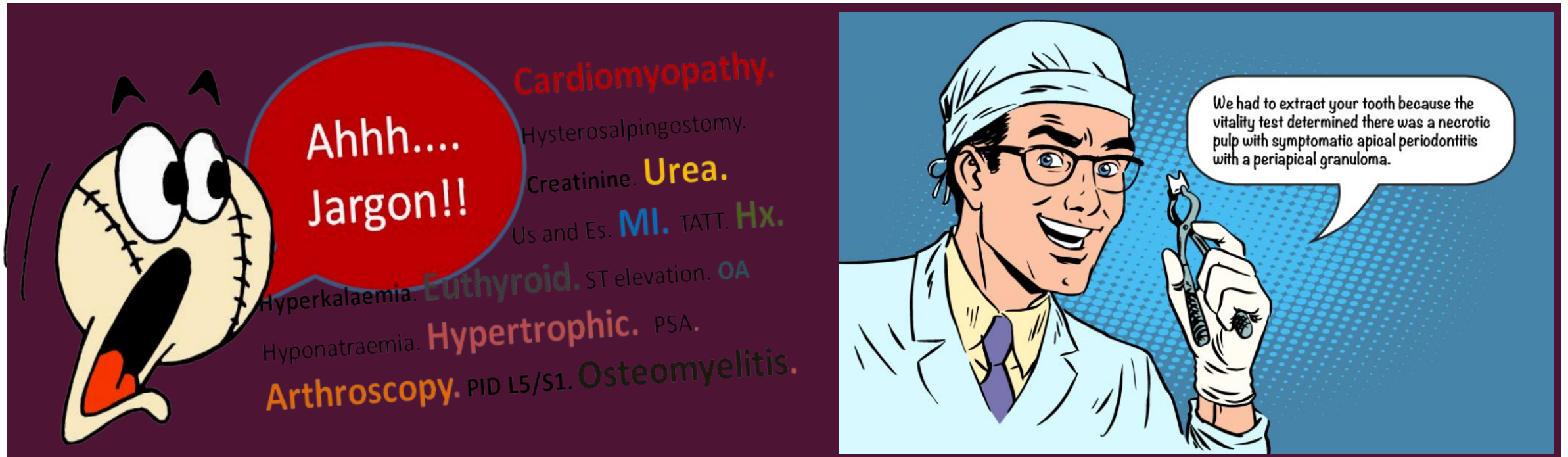


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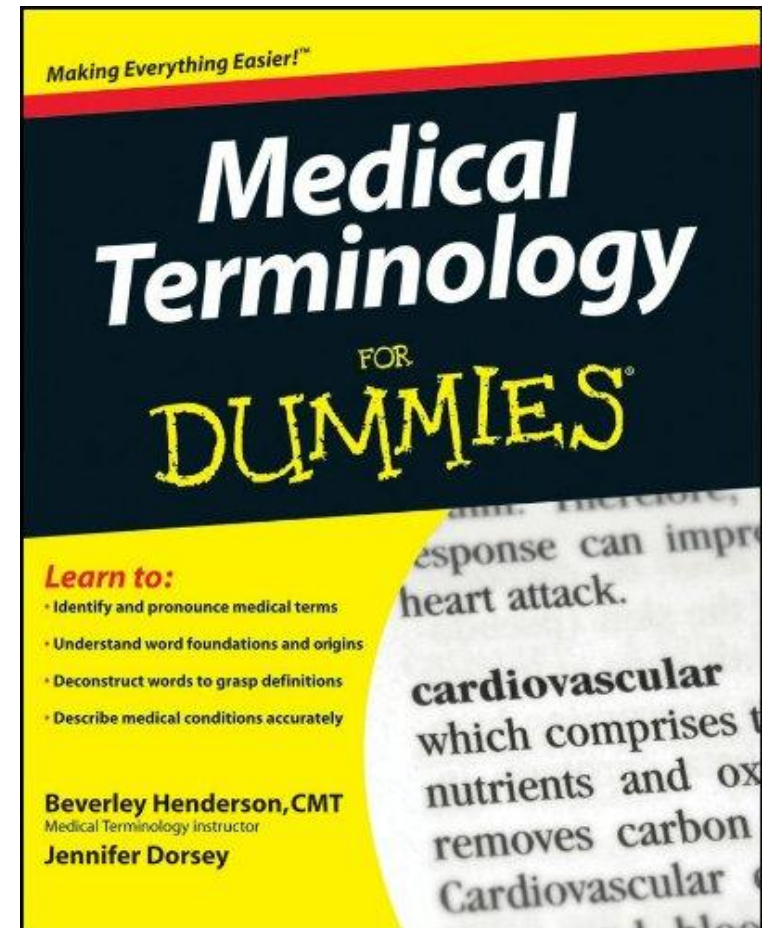


Medical terminology is language used to precisely describe the human body including its components, processes, conditions affecting it, and procedures performed upon in. It is to be used in the field of medicine. Medical Terminology often uses words created using prefixes and suffixes in Latin and Ancient Greek.

If you can familiarize yourself with some prefixes, suffixes, and roots, you'll be well on your way to mastering the official medical language of the body.

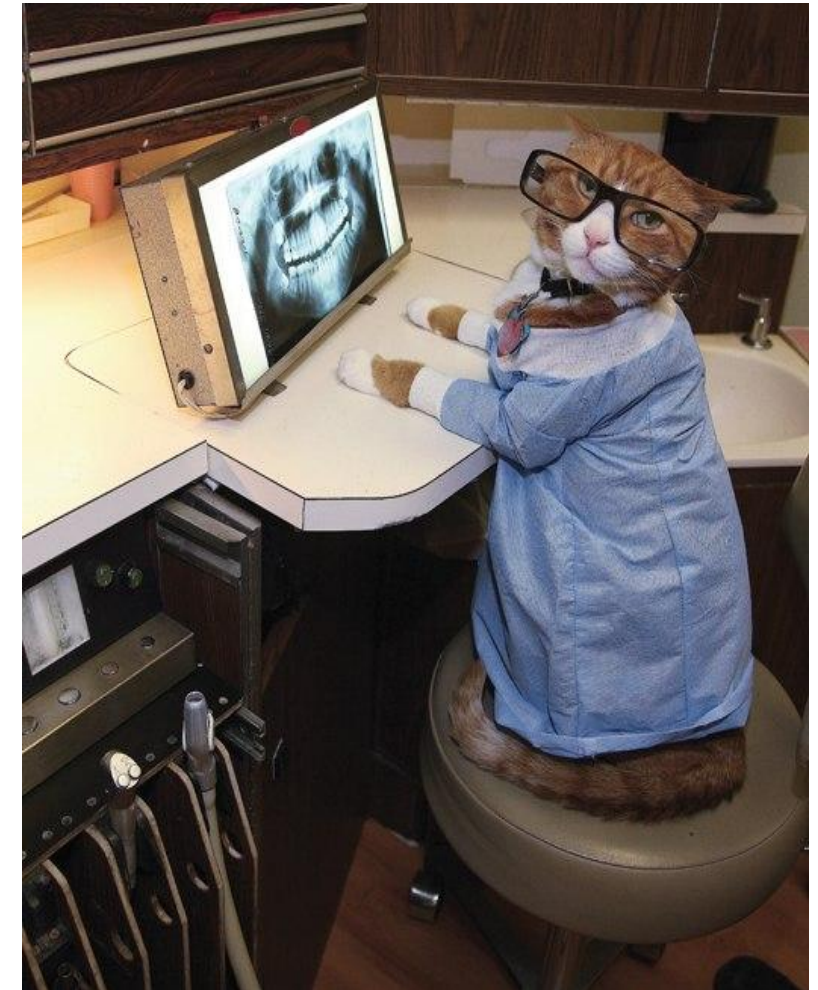
For example, here are a few of the most common prefixes that describe numbers:

| Prefix | Meaning | Example |
|-------------|---------|------------|
| Mono-, uni- | One | Unilateral |
| Bi- | Two | Bilateral |
| Tri- | Three | Triplicate |



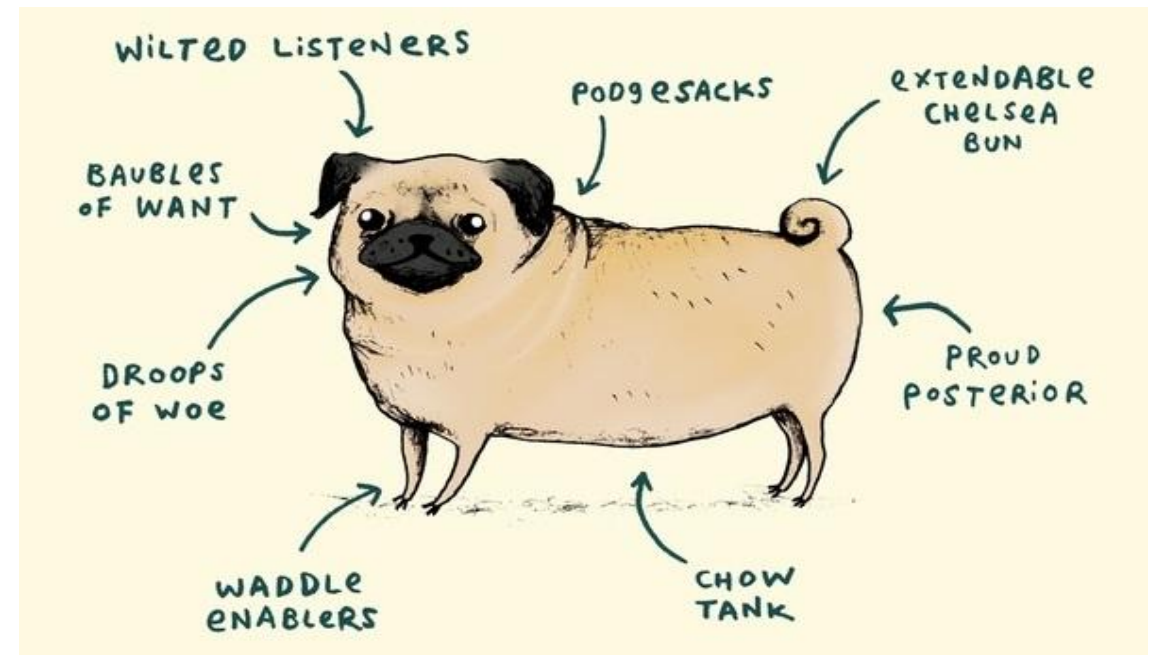
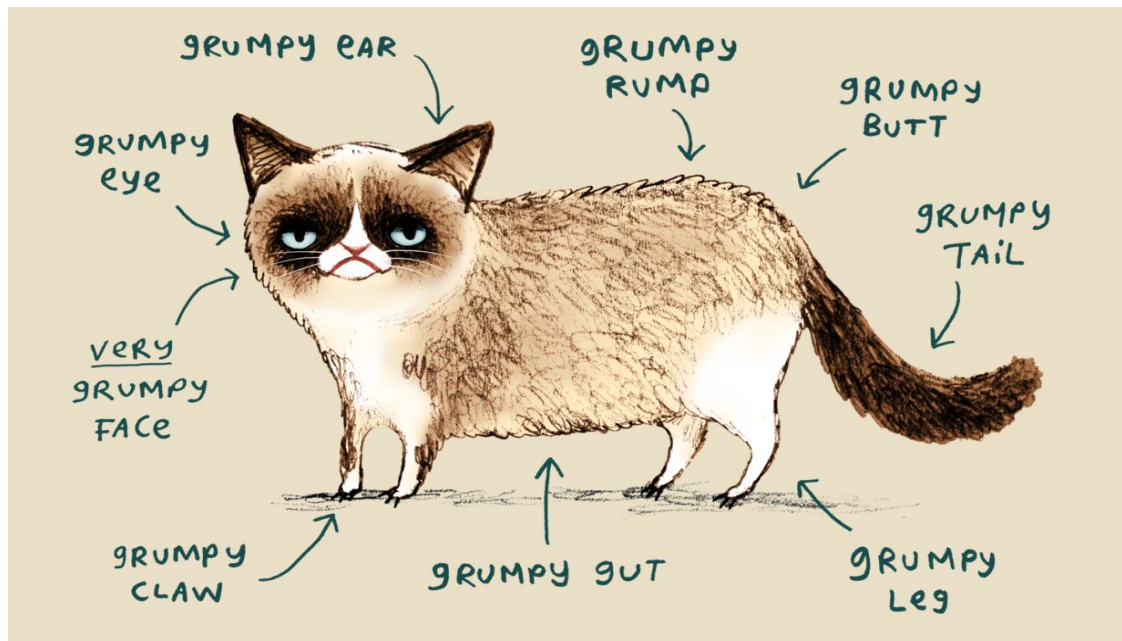
Or, you'll often encounter terms that describe where a procedure or condition takes place on the body:

| Prefix | Meaning | Example |
|-------------|-----------|---------------|
| Ab- | Away from | Abduction |
| Ad- | Toward | Adduction |
| Ecto-, exo- | Outside | Ectoparasite |
| Endo- | Inside | Endoderm |
| Epi- | Upon | Epinenephrine |



BASIC ANATOMY TERMS

Abdominal - abdomen, Buccal - Cheek, Cranial - Skull, Digital - Fingers and toes, Femoral - Thigh, Gluteal - Buttock, Hallux - Great toe, Inguinal - Groin, Mammary - Breast, Nasal - Nose, Occipital - Back of head, Pectoral - Chest, Sternal - Breastbone, Thoracic - Chest.



Also, if you memorize the meanings of these suffixes, you'll know instantly what kind of procedure was performed, even if you don't know exactly what the procedure did.

| Suffix | Meaning | Example |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| -centesis | Puncture a cavity to remove fluid | Amniocentesis |
| -ectomy | Surgical removal or excision | Hysterectomy |
| -ostomy | A new permanent opening | Tracheostomy |
| -otomy | Cutting into, incision | Gastrotoomy |
| -orrhaphy | Surgical repair or suture | Gastrorrhaphy |
| -opexy | Surgical fixation | Nephropexy |
| -oplasty | Surgical repair | Rhinoplasty |
| -otripsy | Crushing or destroying | Lithotripsy |



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We don't have a cure for it, but we do have a catchy name for it.

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