

4000 Essential English Words 6 Unit 19: Seizures Then and Now

1.

Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

lunar

- A) sun
- B) moon
- C) stars
- D) earth

2.

Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

reflex

- A) response
- B) delay
- C) broken
- D) squeeze

3.

Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

pertain

- A) piece
- B) fact
- C) describe
- D) relate

4.

Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

utensil

- A) horn
- B) badge
- C) spoon
- D) glove

5.

Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

outmoded

- A) old-fashioned
- B) new
- C) outdoors
- D) innovative

6.

Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank.

The doctors thought that too much sugar caused the ____.

- A) novelty
- B) constellation
- C) definitive
- D) personalized
- E) utensil
- F) pertain
- G) reflexes
- H) seizure
- I) psychiatry
- J) lunar

7.

Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank.

However, their findings weren't ____.

- A) novelty
- B) constellation
- C) definitive
- D) personalized
- E) utensil
- F) pertain
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8. Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank.

A star burning at night as brightly as the moon was quite a(n) ____.

- A) novelty
- B) constellation
- C) definitive
- D) personalized
- E) utensil
- F) pertain
- G) reflexes
- H) seizure
- I) psychiatry
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9. Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank.

In fact, the ____ glow was actually not as bright.

- A) novelty
- B) constellation
- C) definitive
- D) personalized
- E) utensil
- F) pertain
- G) reflexes
- H) seizure
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10. Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank.

Those seven stars form the ____ known as the Big Dipper.

- A) novelty
- B) constellation
- C) definitive
- D) personalized
- E) utensil
- F) pertain
- G) reflexes
- H) seizure
- I) psychiatry
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11. Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank.

A dipper is a(n) ____ shaped like a spoon used for getting water.

- A) novelty
- B) constellation
- C) definitive
- D) personalized
- E) utensil
- F) pertain
- G) reflexes
- H) seizure
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12. Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank.

There are many methods used in ____ to help cure mental illnesses.

- A) novelty
- B) constellation
- C) definitive
- D) personalized
- E) utensil
- F) pertain
- G) reflexes
- H) seizure
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13. Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank.

They are all ____ to the specific needs of the patient.

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- B) constellation
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14. Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank.

The body's ____ are too quick to be controlled by the brain.

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- B) constellation
- C) definitive
- D) personalized
- E) utensil
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These actions ____ to the nerves and spine rather than the brain.

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- B) constellation
- C) definitive
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16. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

inhale

- A) breathe
- B) exit
- C) sell
- D) borrow

17. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

psychiatric

- A) passionate
- B) cozy
- C) mental
- D) similar

18. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

advent

- A) start
- B) moment
- C) candle
- D) pipe

19. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

equate

- A) prepare
- B) drip
- C) sleep
- D) relate

20. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

session

- A) ocean
- B) sweater
- C) rubbish
- D) meeting

21. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

invoke

- A) allow
- B) resist
- C) request
- D) divide

22. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

Almighty

- A) fire
- B) capital
- C) god
- D) tower



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23. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

primal

- A) basic
- B) bright
- C) wooden
- D) strict

24. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

airway

- A) cloud
- B) throat
- C) road
- D) plane

25. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

outmoded

- A) wild
- B) whole
- C) dumb
- D) old

26. SEIZURES THEN AND NOW

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It wasn't until the late 1850s that the causes of seizures were understood. We know today that these causes **pertain** to the brain. Misfired signals from the brain cause a jerking **reflex** in the body. These usually occur when someone is very tired.

Once the causes of seizures were known, **definitive** treatments were developed. Today, treatments range from taking pills to having surgery. Treatment is **personalized** according to the type of seizure the patient has.

Even today, some people are unsure about seizures. Their most common mistake is thinking that a person having a seizure will swallow their tongue. They often shove some **utensil** in the person's mouth. However, this doesn't help. The utensil often blocks the **airway** and prevents the person from **inhaling**. Yet most of the public no longer fear people who have seizures. Instead, they can now help and comfort a person if they have a seizure.

Doctors who treated patients for seizures in the 1800s were influenced by primal medical beliefs.

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- B) FALSE



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Today, care for people with seizures is better because treatment sessions are more personalized.

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The cause of seizures pertains to misfired signals in the brain that cause a jerking reflex in the body.

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- B) FALSE



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Answer Key:

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| 1: B | 16: A |
| 2: A | 17: C |
| 3: D | 18: A |
| 4: C | 19: D |
| 5: A | 20: D |
| 6: H | 21: C |
| 7: C | 22: C |
| 8: A | 23: A |
| 9: J | 24: B |
| 10: B | 25: D |
| 11: E | 26: A |
| 12: I | 27: B |
| 13: D | 28: B |
| 14: G | 29: A |
| 15: F | 30: A |

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