## Quizlet

## LTCE List08: Ears + Nose + Mouth + Mental

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- abscess: a painful swollen part of your skin or inside your body that has become infected and is full of a yellowish liquid
- 2. advanced registered nurse practitioner (ARNP): a registered nurse who completes a graduate-level educational program and can have primary responsibility for patient care
- 3. **airlift:** a system for transporting persons by aircraft, especially in an emergency
- 4. **amnesia:** a partial or total loss of memory
- antidepressant: (chiefly of a drug) used to alleviate depression
- astigmatism: a defect in the eye or in a lens caused by a deviation from spherical curvature, which results in distorted images, as light rays are prevented from meeting at a common focus
- 7. autopsy: an examination and dissection of a dead body to discover the cause of death, damage done by disease, etc.; postmortem
- 8. **blurred vision:** a lack of sharpness of vision resulting in the inability to see fine detail
- 9. cataract: an abnormality of the eye, characterized by opacity (not letting light through) of the lens
- color blindness: inability to distinguish one or several chromatic colors, independent of the capacity for distinguishing light and shade
- n. **conjunctivitis (pink eye):** an eye infection which causes the thin skin that covers the eye to become red; inflammation of the conjunctiva
- 12. counselor: a person trained to give guidance on personal, social, or psychological problems
- 13. cyclizine: a medication used to treat and prevent nausea, vomiting and dizziness due to motion sickness or vertigo
- 14. **deaf:** unable to hear
- 15. decay: decline in or loss of strength, health
- 16. delirium: An altered state of consciousness, consisting of confusion, distractibility, disorientation, disordered thinking and memory
- dementia: the loss, usually progressive, of cognitive and intellectual functions, without impairment of perception or consciousness; caused by a variety of disorders
- 18. denture: an artificial replacement for one or more teeth; especially a set of false teeth
- 19. disturbance: a medical or psychological problem, when someone's body or mind is not working in the normal way
- 20. **dramamine:** a medication use in the treatment of allergic disorders and as a preventive for seasickness and airsickness.
- 21. **dyslalia:** an inability to speak due to a defect of the organs of speech
- 22. dyslexia: impaired reading ability with a competence level below that expected on the basis of the person's level of intelligence

- 23. **ear infection:** the swelling and infection of the outer, middle or inner ear
- 24. **equilibrium (balance):** the ability to remain steady when you are standing up; a state of bodily balance, maintained primarily by special receptors in the inner ear
- 25. **family nurse practitioner:** registered nurses who serve as primary and specialty health care providers under a physician
- 26. **filling (tooth):** a small amount of metal or plastic that a dentist puts in a hole in a tooth to prevent further decay
- 27. general practitioner: a medical practitioner whose practice is not limited to any specific branch of medicine or class of diseases
- 28. **gums:** the fleshy tissue that covers the jawbones around the bases of the teeth (Technical name gingiva)
- 29. **hearing aid:** a compact electronic amplifier worn to improve one's hearing, usually placed in or behind the ear
- 30. **hyperopia / hypermetropia (farsightedness):** inability to see near objects clearly because the images received by the eye are focused behind the retina
- 31. **impaired:** not functioning or behaving appropriately because of damage, illness, or weakness
- 32. **meclizine:** a medication used for preventing nausea of motion sickness, pregnancy, etc.
- mental health professional: a health care practitioner or community services provider who offers services for the purpose of improving an individual's mental health or to treat mental disorders
- mental retardation: (usually offensive) a developmental disorder characterized in varying degrees by a subnormal ability to learn, a substantially low IQ, and impaired social adjustment
- 35. **mute:** unable or unwilling to speak
- 36. myopia (nearsightedness): inability to see distant objects clearly because the images are focused in front of the retina;
- 37. nyctalopia (night blindness): a condition of the eyes in which vision is normal in daylight but abnormally poor at night or in a dim light
- **ophthalmologist:** a medical practitioner specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of eye diseases
- 39. optometrist: a specialist in optometry (primary vision care ranging from sight testing and correction to the diagnosis, treatment, and management of vision changes
- 40. **optometry:** the profession of examining the eyes and measuring errors in refraction and of prescribing glasses to correct these defects
- 41. **otitis (externa, interna, media):** inflammation of the (external/inner/middle) ear
- 42. **otorhinolaryn-gologist:** a medical practitioner specializing in diseases of the ear, nose, and throat
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- 44. **periodontal disease:** an inflammatory disease that affects the soft and hard structures that support the teeth. In its early stage, called gingivitis, the gums become swollen and red due to inflammation
- 45. presbyopia: farsightedness caused by loss of elasticity of the lens of the eye, occurring typically in middle and old age.
- 46. psychiatrist: a medical practitioner specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of mental illness
- 47. **psychologist:** a professional specializing in diagnosing and treating diseases of the brain, emotional disturbance, and behavior problems
- 48. **rhinitis:** inflammation of the nose or its mucous membrane
- 49. root canal: a treatment used to repair and save a tooth that is badly decayed or infected
- schizophrenia: a severe mental disorder characterized by some, but not necessarily all, of the following features: emotional blunting, intellectual deterioration, social isolation, disorganized speech and behavior, delusions, and hallucinations.
- 51. sensation: a physical feeling or perception resulting from something that happens to or comes into contact with the body
- 52. **stable condition:** (not a condition on its own) commonly used to denote conditions where a patient has a favorable prognosis or stable vital signs
- 53. **sty:** a circumscribed abscess caused by bacterial infection of the glands on the edge of the eyelid
- 54. **tetanus (lockjaw):** A serious bacterial infection that enters the body through wounds and causes painful muscle spasms and can lead to death
- 55. **tooth socket:** a bony hollow into which a tooth fits
- 56. **tranquilizer:** a drug that has a sedative or calming effect without inducing sleep
- 57. tympanoplasty: reconstruction of the eardrum and the bones of the middle ear
- 58. **unconscious:** lacking normal sensory awareness of the environment; insensible
- 59. **vertigo:** a sensation of feeling off balance; a medical condition where a person feels as if they or the objects around them are moving when they are not