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Practitioners

Root Words

1. **pathos**: suffering, disease

2. soma: body

3. genesis: birth or origin

4. peri: around5. endon: inner6. therme: heat7. baros: weight8. sphygmos: pulse

9. **osteon**: bone

10. pathos: suffering

11. podos: feet12. platys: broad

13. **cheir**: hand

14. graphein: to write

15. **kallos**: beauty

16. kakos: bad, harsh

17. **photos**: light

18. **phone**: sound 19. **tele**: distance

20. **bios**: life

21. **geras**: old age22. **pyge**: buttocks

23. senex: old age (latin)

Words

psyche (soul, mind)

- 1. **Pysche**: denotes one's mental life, the spiritual or non-physical aspect to one's existence
- 2. **Psychic**: phenomena or qualities that cannot be explained in a physical sense
 - A person's disturbance is *psychic* if it is emotional or mental, rather than physical.
- 3. **Psychopathic** (psyche, pathos): describes someone suffering from a severe mental or emotional illness
- 4. Psychosomatic (psyche, soma): describes the extreme influence that the mind has on the body
 - A **Pyschosomatic** condition is real, but has no organic cause from within the body. It arises from the mind.
- 5. **Psychoanalysis**: involves delving deep into the subconcious to bring out events that lead to anxiety, depression, among others.
 - Developed by Sigmund Freud, believes that on exposing these events to light, they can be understood and vanished.
- 6. Psychogenic (psyche, genesis): originating from the mind

teeth

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- 1. **Pedodontist** (paidos, odontos): specialises in the care of children's teeth.
- 2. Periodontist (perio, odontos): specialises in the gums around the teeth
- 3. Endodontist (endon, odontos): specialises in the pulp of the teeth and root-canal
- 4. **Exodontist** (exo, odontos): specialises in the extraction of teeth

Note: the prefix ex- means out

metron (measurement)

- 1. **Thermometer** (therme, metron): device used to measure temperature
- 2. Barometer (baros, metron): device used to measure atmospheric pressure
- 3. Sphygmomanometer (sphygmos, metron): device used to measure blood pressure

osteon (bone)

- 1. Osteopath (osteon, pathos): caused by the pressure of displaced bones on nerves and veins
- 2. Osteopathic: NOT a specialist of bones
- 3. Podiatrist (podos, iatreia): specialises in the diagnosis and treatment of foot and ankle problems
- 4. Platypus (platys, podos): refers to the water mammal with the duck bill and webbed feet that lays eggs
- 5. **Podium** (podos, -ium): speaker's platform
- 6. Chiropodist (cheir, podos): earlier title for podiatrist
- 7. **Chirographer**: expert in hand-writing and penmanship
- 8. Chiromancy (cheir, -mancy): expert in hand reading

Note: suffix -ium means a place where. Suffix -mancy refers to fortelling

graphein (write)

- 1. Graphologist (graphein, logos): study of handwriting
- 2. Calligraphy (kallos, graphein): art of writing with a touch of elegance, beautiful writing
- 3. Cacography (kakos, graphein): bad, scrawly or illegible handwriting
- 4. Photography (photos, graphein): art of taking pictures
- 5. Phonograph (phonos, graphein): record player
- 6. Telegraph (tele, graphein): device used to transmit messages
- 7. Biography (bios, graphein): description of a person's life
- 8. Callipygian (kallos, pyge): beautiful butt

geras (old age)

- 1. **gerartrician** (geras, iartreia): specialises in the medical care of the elderly
- 2. senile: showing signs of deterioration that mark early old age
- 3. **senescent**: aging, growing old
- 4. adolescent: growing into an adult
- 5. **convalescent**: growing healthy again
- 6. obsolent: becoming obsolete
- 7. **senate**: originally a council of older, and wiser citizens

Total Root Words: 23 **Total words learnt**: 36