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Name: _____ Date: _____

1 Match each medical word with its meaning.

1 diagnosis ____	**a** a sign that shows you might be ill
2 symptom ____	**b** when a doctor identifies your illness
3 injection ____	**c** medicine given through a needle
4 surgery ____	**d** an operation to treat a health problem
5 X-ray ____	**e** a picture used to see inside the body
6 pill ____	**f** a small, round piece of medicine
7 bandage ____	**g** material used to cover and protect a wound
8 pain ____	**h** an unpleasant physical feeling caused by illness or injury
9 allergy ____	**i** a reaction to something that shouldn't normally cause harm
10 vaccine ____	**j** a substance given to protect against a disease

2 Choose the correct form.

1 She received a diagnosis / diagnose.
2 He noticed a new symptom / symptoms.
3 The nurse gave him an injection / inject.
4 She needs surgery / surgical.
5 The doctor ordered an X-ray / X-rays.
6 Take one pill / pills a day.
7 He wrapped a bandage / bandages around his arm.
8 She felt sharp pain / pains.

3 Complete the descriptions with words from the box.

allergy | bandage | diagnosis | injection | pain | pill | surgery | X-ray

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Clinic visit: The doctor examined the patient and gave a clear 1 _____.
She prescribed a 2 _____ to take every morning.
Injury: He felt sudden 3 _____ in his leg. The doctor ordered an
4 _____ to check for a broken bone, then wrapped it in a
5 _____.
Allergy check: The nurse tested for an 6 _____ before giving the
7 _____. Later, doctors recommended minor
8 _____ to fix the problem.

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4 Match each word with its opposite.

1 diagnosis ____	**a** comfort
2 pain ____	**b** relapse
3 healthy ____	**c** sick
4 recover ____	**d** major
5 minor ____	**e** external
6 internal ____	**f** temporary
7 chronic ____	**g** invisible
8 visible ____	**h** uncertainty

5 Read the text. Write T (true) or F (false).

A trip to the clinic

Mia went to the clinic after feeling pain in her arm for several days. The doctor examined her and ordered an X-ray to check the bone. After reviewing the results, the doctor gave a diagnosis of a minor injury. She wrapped Mia's arm in a bandage and explained that no surgery was needed. Mia felt relieved and left with instructions to rest.

1 Mia went to the clinic. T / F

2 She had no pain at all. T / F

3 The doctor ordered an X-ray. T / F

4 The diagnosis was a serious injury. T / F

5 Surgery was needed. T / F

6 Mia felt relieved. T / F

6 Complete the sentences with the correct preposition (of, for, in, to).

1 The doctor gave a diagnosis _____ flu.

2 She was tested _____ allergies.

3 He felt pain _____ his back.

4 The nurse gave the injection _____ him.

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OVER TO YOU

Write a 70-90 word description of a medical examination or minor treatment (real or imaginary). Include what happened.

[ ] Use at least eight target words. [ ] Use past tenses accurately. [ ] Keep the description clear and calm.

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ANSWER KEY

1 Medical words

1 b 2 a 3 c 4 d 5 e 6 f 7 g 8 h 9 i 10 j

2 Choose the correct form

1 diagnosis 2 symptom 3 injection 4 surgery 5 X-ray 6 pill 7 bandage 8 pain

3 Descriptions

1 diagnosis 2 pill 3 pain 4 X-ray 5 bandage 6 allergy 7 injection 8 surgery

4 Opposites

1 h 2 a 3 c 4 b 5 d 6 e 7 f 8 g

5 Reading

1 T
2 F - she had pain for days.
3 T
4 F - it was minor.
5 F - no surgery was needed.
6 T

6 Prepositions

1 of 2 for 3 in 4 to

Over to you

Answers will vary. Check clear organisation, accurate forms and calm wording.