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VOCABULARY PRACTICE

PRE-INTERMEDIATE | A2-B1

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

1 Match each medical device with its purpose.

1 thermometer	____	a helps a person move when walking is difficult
2 X-ray	____	b replaces a missing lower limb
3 wheelchair	____	c measures body temperature
4 crutches	____	d helps the heart beat regularly
5 hearing aid	____	e improves hearing
6 pacemaker	____	f forms an image of bones inside the body
7 contact lens	____	g small clear lens worn on the eye
8 prosthetic leg	____	h supports someone who cannot put weight on a leg

2 Complete the technology expressions.

artificial | **blood** | **early** | **laser** | **medical** | **robotic** | **sight** | **temperature**

1 body _____

2 _____ pressure

3 correct your _____

4 an _____ hip

5 a _____ arm

6 _____ surgery

7 _____ technology

8 at an _____ stage

3 Choose the correct word or phrase.

1 A thermometer *measures* / *diagnoses* temperature.

2 An X-ray can show a broken *bone* / *virus*.

3 A hearing aid helps someone *hear* / *see*.

4 A pacemaker supports the *heart* / *lungs*.

5 A prosthetic limb is *artificial* / *natural*.

6 Scanners can *identify* / *manufacture* some problems early.

7 Laser surgery may correct *eyesight* / *hearing*.

8 A patient can send information *automatically* / *artificial*.

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4 Complete the hospital report with words from the box.

blood pressure | device | hearing aid | pacemaker | prosthetic | scanner | temperature | wheelchair

The clinic has received several new pieces of equipment. A portable **1** _____ creates images inside the body. A digital thermometer records a patient's **2** _____, and another **3** _____ measures **4** _____. The mobility team has ordered a lighter **5** _____ and a new **6** _____ leg. An audiologist will fit a **7** _____, while the heart team will check a patient's **8** _____.

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

A remote appointment

Eva had a video appointment because the clinic was far from her home. Before the call, she used a digital thermometer and a blood-pressure monitor. The devices sent the readings securely to the nurse. During the call, Eva described her symptoms and showed the nurse a rash using the camera. The nurse explained that the call could not answer every question and arranged an examination at the clinic for the following morning.

1 Eva lived close to the clinic. T / F

2 She measured two things before the call. T / F

3 The readings were sent to the nurse. T / F

4 Eva used the camera to show a rash. T / F

5 The video call answered every question. T / F

6 Eva was asked to visit the clinic. T / F

6 Rewrite using the word in capitals.

1 This device helps him hear. **AID** _____

2 The machine measures her body heat. **TEMPERATURE** _____

3 The artificial limb replaces her missing leg. **PROSTHETIC** ___

4 Doctors found the problem very soon. **EARLY** _____

OVER TO YOU

Write **70-90 words** about one useful medical device. Explain what it does, who uses it and how it can improve daily life.

[ ] Use at least eight target words. [ ] Use device, measure and help accurately. [ ] Include one limitation.

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ANSWER KEY

1 Medical devices

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

2 Technology expressions

1 **temperature** 2 **blood** 3 **sight** 4 **artificial** 5 **robotic** 6 **laser** 7 **medical** 8 **early**

3 Correct choices

1 **measures** 2 **bone** 3 **hear** 4 **heart**
5 **artificial** 6 **identify** 7 **eyesight** 8 **automatically**

4 Hospital report

1 **scanner** 2 **temperature** 3 **device** 4 **blood pressure** 5 **wheelchair** 6 **prosthetic** 7 **hearing aid** 8 **pacemaker**

5 Reading - suggested answers

1 **F** - The clinic was far away. 2 **T** 3 **T** 4 **T** 5 **F** - A clinic examination was needed. 6 **T**

6 Rewriting - possible answers

1 It is a hearing **aid**. 2 It measures her **temperature**. 3 She uses a **prosthetic leg**. 4 Doctors identified the problem at an **early stage**.

Over to you: Answers will vary. Check device vocabulary, purpose and a realistic limitation.