

TAKING A HISTORY

Exercise I: Match.

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| 1. bowels | A. the organs of the body through which urine is passed |
| 2. indigestion | B. a slight stinging feeling |
| 3. waterworks | C. a flow of blood for a few days each month from the body of a woman when she is not pregnant |
| 4. period | D. breathing noisily and with difficulty |
| 5. palpitation | E. an abnormally larger/rounder place on the body |
| 6. swelling | F. intestines |
| 7. wheezing | G. rapid beating of the heart |
| 8. tingling | H. pain caused by difficulty in digesting food |

Exercise II: What do the abbreviations in the first column stand for?

Exercise III: In which order are the systems being discussed?

Exercise IV: Which system(s) does the patient complain about? Put a tick for each system.

| SYSTEM | ORDER | COMPLAINT | NO COMPLAINT |
|-------------|-------|-----------|--------------|
| ENT | | | |
| RS | | | |
| CVS | | | |
| GIS | | | |
| GUS | | | |
| CNS | | | |
| Psychiatric | | | |

Exercise V: Complete the questions the doctor asked the patient.

1. Do _____ with your stomach or bowels?
2. _____ your appetite _____?
3. _____ with your waterworks?
4. _____ coughs or wheezing or shortness of breath?
5. _____ any weakness or tingling in your limbs?
6. _____ of mood have you been in recently?