

HESI A2 Vocabulary Practice Test

Q1. Select the correct definition of the underlined word.

The symmetrical nature of the artwork allowed it to be viewed from many angles.

- A. Measured from the center
- B. Colorful
- C. Equal on all sides
- D. Whimsical

Answers: ____

Q2. Select the word or phrase that will make the sentence grammatically correct.

Within the _____ of the hospital, great emphasis is placed on calmness.

- A. cafeteria
- B. milieu
- C. metabolism
- D. component

Answers: ____

Q3. Select the correct definition of the underlined word.

The verbal instructions given by the instructor allowed the student to create an outstanding project.

- A. Written
- B. Detailed
- C. Oral
- D. Permissive

Answers: ____

Q4. What is the best description for the term *quotient*?

- A. The minimum number of members needed to be present for a vote to be valid
- B. The protocol used when a sterile field must be maintained
- C. A math term naming the answer in a division question
- D. The preferred inoculation site for a newborn infant

Answers: ____

Q5. What is the best description for the word *laceration*?

- A. The means by which nursing mothers produce milk for their babies
- B. A deep, ragged tear
- C. A medical term used to describe the removal of the tear ducts
- D. An intolerance of dairy products

Answers: ____

Q6. Which statement uses a euphemism?

- A. The fireman bravely entered the burning building.
- B. The nurse told the family, "I'm sorry, your father has passed away."
- C. The orderly was laughing about the patient's vomiting episode.
- D. Her husband was overjoyed when she told him she was pregnant.

Answers: ____

Q7. What is another word for *skull*?

- A. Spine
- B. Ability

C. Cranium

D. Zygote

Answers: ____

**Q8. Select the meaning of the underlined word in the sentence.
In medicine, the desired outcome is recovery.**

A. expected

B. analyzed

C. wished for

D. diagnosed

Answers: ____

**Q9. Select the word or phrase that will make the sentence grammatically correct.
The nurse has a _____ to the Journal of Nursing Education.**

A. subscription

B. prescription

C. recipe

D. receipt

Answers: ____

**Q10. Select the word or phrase that will make the sentence grammatically correct.
The food bank referred many _____ patients to the free clinic.**

A. indignant

B. wealthy

C. indigent

D. healthy

Answers: ____

Q11. What is the best description for the term *t riag e*?

A. The stand with three legs used to support an IV pump

B. The order in which patients are to be treated

C. The physician's prescription for a drug to be taken three times a day

D. The shift for nursing duty beginning at 3 pm and ending at 11 pm

Answers: ____

**Q12. Select the meaning of the underlined word in the sentence.
His skin was unevenly pigmented by the disease.**

A. Scarred

B. Spotted

C. Broken

D. Colored

Answers: ____

Q13. Which word means “the thickness of a liquid”?

A. Viscosity

B. Zygote

C. Sublingual

D. Adhesion

Answers: ____

**Q14. Select the correct definition of the underlined word.
The gaping hole in the fence was an enticing lure for the curious toddler.**

- A. Narrow
- B. Jagged
- C. Painted
- D. Wide open

Answers: ____

Q15. What is the best description for the term *febrile*?

- A. Mental incompetence
- B. Having a fever
- C. Pregnant
- D. Having clogged sinuses

Answers: ____

Q16. What is the best description for the word *contraction*?

- A. Spasm
- B. Decrease
- C. Treaty
- D. Moderate

Answers: ____

**Q17. Select the meaning of the underlined word in the sentence.
The nurse discussed the diet plan with the patient.**

- A. Regime
- B. Regimen

C. Supposition

D. Substitution

Answers: ____

Q18. What is the best description for the term *combination*?

A. Putting two or more things together

B. The beginning of a fire

C. The reason for an action

D. The change seen when a drug is administered

Answers: ____

Q19. Decomposition is the process of enzymes digesting food. Another name for this process is _____.

A. degeneration

B. dialysis

C. lysis

D. lymph

Answers: ____

Q20. Select the meaning of the underlined word in the sentence.

The nurse noticed an audible gurgle when doing a physical examination on the patient.

A. Observable

B. Spasmodic

C. Ominous

D. Perceptible

Answers: ____

Q21. Select the meaning of the underlined word in the sentence. The nurse observed that the skin around the sore was inflamed.

A. Blanched

B. Covered with a scab

C. Cool to the touch

D. Reddened

Answers: ____

Q22. Select the meaning of the underlined word in the sentence. The nurse gave instructions to the patient on the care of his renal disease.

A. Fatal

B. Kidney

C. Heart

D. Lung

Answers: ____

Q23. Select the meaning of the underlined word in the sentence. Endogenous factors were responsible for his illness.

A. Produced within the body

B. Produced outside the body

C. Polluting

D. Hemocratic

Answers: ____

Q24. Select the meaning of the underlined word in the sentence.
The proliferation of text messaging among teens has alarmed parents.

A. Increase

B. Summarization

C. Ambiance

D. Rampant

Answers: ____

Q25. Select the meaning of the underlined word in the sentence. It is important that the bandage remain intact.

A. Dry

B. Whole

C. Uncovered

D. Secure

Answers: ____

Q26. Select the meaning of the underlined word in the sentence. It is not wise to skimp on personal hygiene.

A. Measures contributing to cleanliness and good health

B. Financial resources available through the employment department

C. Insurance

D. Friendliness

Answers: ____

Q27. The patient fractured the lateral portion of the hip bone, which is known as the _____.

A. ilium

B. ileum

C. icterus

D. ileus

Answers: ____

Q28. Select the meaning of the underlined word in the sentence. The parameters of medical ethics require the nurse to report instances of suspected child abuse.

A. Laws

B. Limits

C. Common sense

D. Structure

Answers: ____

Q29. Select the correct order of words to fit in the sentence structure. The nursing _____ put the Band- _____ on the wound to _____ the nurse.

A. aid, aide, aide

B. aide, aid, aid

C. aid, aide, aid

D. aide, aid, aide

Answers: ____

Q30. A person who is ravenous is _____.

A. generous

B. outspoken

C. friendly

D. hungry

Answers: ____

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