

## Word formation: nouns

A fast way to expand your vocabulary' is to make sure you know the different forms of the words you learn.

**Exercise 1.** The words in this list are all verbs. What are the noun forms? Write them in the second column. The first one has been done for you as an example.

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| 1. | diagnose  | <u>diagnosis</u> | 9.  | infect     |
| 2. | examine   |                  | 10. | experience |
| 3. | prescribe |                  | 11. | replace    |
| 4. | suffer    |                  | 12. | degenerate |
| 5. | operate   |                  | 13. | refer      |
| 6. | cure      |                  | 14. | exceed     |
| 7. | recover   |                  | 15. | withdraw   |
| 8. | analyse   |                  |     |            |

**Exercise 2.** First, check your answers to Exercise 1 in the key. Then rewrite the sentences below, changing the verbs (which are in **bold**) to nouns. Do not change the meaning of the sentences, but be prepared to make grammatical changes if necessary. The first one has been done for you as an example.

1. I diagnosed that the patient had a heart condition.

*My **diagnosis was that the patient had a heart condition.***

2. I examined the patient fully.

*I made a full*

3. I prescribed a course of antibiotics.

*I wrote a*

4. He suffered very little.

*He experienced very little*

5. We operated immediately.

*The*

6. This disease cannot be cured.

*There is no*

7. He has recovered fully.

*He has made a full*

8. The lab analysed the blood sample.

*The lab made an*

9. We found that the tissue was infected.

*We found an*

10. He has experienced six years of tropical work.

*He has six years'*

11. We replaced the patient's hip.

*The patient was given a hip*

12. His condition has degenerated.

*There has been a*

13. The patient was referred to a specialist.

*The patient was given a*

14. The amount of sugar in the blood sample exceeded the norm.

*There was an*

15. This is the time to withdraw the drugs treatment.

*This is the time for the*

