**Types of Illness**

Replace the words in bold type (1-26) with a word from the table

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| Ischaemia trauma immunological necrosis corrosive metabolic infectious infestation defects allergic hereditary carrier contagious neoplasms epidemic deficiency allergen side effects foetus idiosyncratic congenital degenerative protozoa malignant obstruction benign |

A (1) **dating from birth** disease may be (2) **passed down from parents to offspring** or may be the result of damage to the (3) **unborn baby.**

(4) **Physical damage** may be the result of surgical operations, accidents, excessive temperatures, radiation or (5) **destructive** chemicals.

Mechanical (6) **faults** lead to the (7) **blocking** of tubes or vessels.

An infection or (8) **invasion** of living organisms may be the cause of disease. These living organisms include viruses, bacteria, (9) **worm-like parasites,** fungi or animal parasites. Some of these diseases are (10) **spread easily between people** and the result may be a (11) **large number of people suffering the disease.** It's possible to have a (12) **person with the disease but no symptoms.** Some diseases may be (13) **passed on by touching.** Most tumours are (14) **new growths.** Some of these are (15) **mild and self-limiting,** while others are (16) **cancerous and spread.**

A (17) **wearing** **out** disease happens when tissue loses its normal function. There may be (18) **insufficient blood supply to an organ** whichmay result in infarction and subsequent (19) **death of the tissue.**

If biochemical reactions in the body are upset, the result may be a (20) **chemical** **conversion** disease. One possible cause is an excess or (21) **shortage** of certain nutrients in the diet.

Problemsin the body's complex defense mechanism can lead to (22) **defense** **mechanism** disease. One possible cause is a (23) **hypersensitive** reaction to an (24) **external substance** which to most people is harmless

Some drugs or poisons may cause disease because of the (25) **unwanted action** ofthese drugs. This can be dose-related or (26) **have a bad effect only on a few people.**