

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. 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.

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| 1. I diagnosed that the patient had a heart condition.
<i>My diagnosis was that the patient had a heart condition.</i> | 9. We found that the tissue was infected .
<i>We found an _____</i> |
| 2. I examined the patient fully.
<i>I made a full _____</i> | 10. He has experienced six years of tropical work.
<i>He has six years' _____</i> |
| 3. I prescribed a course of antibiotics.
<i>I wrote a _____</i> | 11. We replaced the patient's hip.
<i>The patient was given a hip _____</i> |
| 4. He suffered very little.
<i>He experienced very little _____</i> | 12. His condition has degenerated .
<i>There has been a _____</i> |
| 5. We operated immediately.
<i>The _____</i> | 13. The patient was referred to a specialist.
<i>The patient was given a _____</i> |
| 6. This disease cannot be cured .
<i>There is no _____</i> | 14. The amount of sugar in the blood sample exceeded the norm.
<i>There was an _____</i> |
| 7. He has recovered fully.
<i>He has made a full _____</i> | 15. This is the time to withdraw the drugs treatment.
<i>This is the time for the _____</i> |
| 8. The lab analysed the blood sample.
<i>The lab made an _____</i> | |

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