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1. Physical Appearance and the Body

Let's remember!

I Match the words in English to their Romanian equivalents:

ankle	heart.....
armpit.....	heel.....
artery	hip.....
bone.....	jaw
brain.....	knee
calf.....	kidney
cheek.....	knuckle
chest.....	lip
chin.....	liver
dimple	lung
earlobe.....	mole
elbow	muscle
eyebrow.....	nail
eyelash	neck
eyelid	nostril
fist	palm
forearm	pupil
forehead.....	rib
freckles	shin
groin.....	shoulder
gums	skull

sole	thumb
spine	toe
stomach	vein
temple	waist
thigh	wrinkles
throat	wrist

aluniță, antebraț, arteră, articulație a degetului, bărbie, buză, călcâi, coloană vertebrală, coapsă, coastă, cot, craniu, creier, degetul de la picior, degetul mare (de la mână), ficat, frunte, gambă, geană, gât (exterior), gât (interior) genunchi, gingii, gleznă, gropiță, inimă, încheieturamâinii, lobul urechii, maxilar, mușchi, nară, obraz, os, palmă, piept, pistrui, plămân, pleoapă, pupilă, riduri, rinichi, sprânceană, stomac, subsuoară, șold, talpă, talie, tâmplă, tibie, umăr, venă, zonă inghinală

II Complete each sentence with a word from the box. Use each word once only.

cheek / knees / neck / throat / waist / chin / lips / nose / thumb / wrist

1. After speaking for two hours, the lecturer had a sore
2. Terry was on his hands and, looking after the fallen coin.
3. Paul gave his aunt an affectionate kiss on the
4. There was such a terrible smell that I had to hold my
5. Stan is deaf, but he can understand people by reading their
6. I never wear a watch because I don't like the weight on my
7. One of the boxers punched the other on the and knocked him out.
8. When Diane was a baby, she used to suck her.....
9. I've lost a lot of weight, especially around the
10. Norma wears a heart on a gold chain around her

III Use the word given in brackets to form a word that fits in the space in the same line.

Jim decided to visit the doctor after his trip to the jungle. He was normally a tall (muscle) person, but over the past month he had lost a lot of (weigh) He had also noticed that his ankles and knees had become rather (pain) He thought that he might have eaten or drunk something (poison) or caught some kind of (infect) disease. The doctor took some blood for tests and told Jim to go back a week later. This time the doctor had an optimistic (express) on her face, and Jim felt quite (heart) "Don't worry," said the

doctor, “it’s nothing serious. You haven’t caught an (cure) disease, or anything terrible like that. It’s a simple virus, and you will need some (treat)..... Take these tablets twice a day for two weeks,, and you’ll make a full (recover)”

IV Complete each sentence with one of the words given in the box. Do not use a word more than once.

chin / elbow / heel /knee / knuckles / neck / shoulder / thigh / throat / wrist
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1. My left shoe is too tight and I’ve got a blister on my
2. I can’t give my speech today because I’ve got a bad sore
3. Jean can’t move her leg after twisting her when she went skiing.
4. My arm is in a sling and I can’t bend my
5. Barry bruised his when he punched someone in a fight.
6. I pulled a muscle while running, and now I can hardly walk.
7. I can’t use a tennis racket properly since I injured my
8. Peter cut himself badly on the while shaving.
9. I’ve got a really painful boil on my What should I do?
10. I can’t use my right hand because I have sprained my

V Choose the most suitable word or phrase:

1. I don’t want to be rude, so I’ll just say he is a bit
a. flabby / b. plump / c. overweight / d. obese

2. Keith was ill during the wedding reception.
a. taken / b. fallen / c. diagnosed / d. considered
3. Can we visit her in hospital, or is what's she's got?
a. unhygienic / b. catching / c. influential / d. contaminating
4. Ouch! I've just been by a bee!
a. bitten / b. poisoned / c. hit / d. stung
5. Don'tyour head, Jimmy. You'll make it sore!
a. itch / b. tear / c. scratch / d. grate
6. The old man and died while watching the football match.
a. tripped / b. collapsed / c. fell / d. tumbled
7. Helen spoke for so long at the conference that she became
a. hoarse / b. speechless / c. dumb / d. inarticulate
8. After the dentist extracted my tooth I was in
a. peril / b. suffering / c. agony / d. aches
9. I do admire Karen's figure. She's lovely and
a. thin / b. skinny / c. shapeless / d. slim
10. I am being for my bad back by a physiotherapist.
a. cured / b. healed / c. tended / d. treated

VI Find the correct verb in the box for each explanation:

choke / chuckle / frown / giggle / grin / nod /
scowl / shake / stare / yawn

1. I moved my eyebrows together to show disapproval.....
2. I laughed uncontrollably, in a silly way.
3. I looked with wide-open eyes at the same place for several moments.....
4. I laughed quietly under my breath.
5. I opened my mouth uncontrollably to show boredom or tiredness.
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