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## Question: 1

What is the term used to described the ventricular volume at the end of diastole?

- A. Preload
- B. Stroke volume
- C. After load
- D. End-systolic volume

**Answer: A**

Explanation:

The ventricular volume at the end of diastole is the preload. Stroke volume is the amount of blood that is pumped from the left ventricle in one contraction. Afterload is the end load against which the heart must overcome to eject blood. End-systolic volume is the ventricular volume after contraction.

## Question: 2

What does the term edema mean?

- A. Rash
- B. Within
- C. Vomiting
- D. Swelling

**Answer: D**

Explanation:

The term edema means swelling. The swelling is caused by an accumulation of fluid within the tissues of the body. Exanthema refers to a rash. The prefix endo- means within. The suffix -emesis refers to vomiting.

## Question: 3

If a patient is lying on their back, they are in a \_\_\_\_\_ position.

- A. Prone
- B. Prostrate
- C. Dorsal
- D. Supine

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**Answer: D**

Explanation:

The definition of supine is lying on the back with the face upward or having the palm of the hand facing upward. Prone is the position of lying on the stomach or having the palm of the hand facing downward. Dorsal refers to the back of the body. Prostrate is defined as being stretched out, face-down.

### Question: 4

What does the prefix dys- mean?

- A. Discharge
- B. Around
- C. Difficult
- D. After

**Answer: C**

Explanation:

The prefix dys- means abnormal or difficult. Examples include dysphagia, which means difficulty swallowing, and dysplasia, which means the abnormal growth of tissues or cells. The suffix -rrhea means discharge. The prefix peri- means around. The prefix post- means after.

### Question: 5

Which of the following definitions match the term neurasthenia?

- A. inflammation of a nerve
- B. nerve weakness
- C. condition of a nerve
- D. abnormal nerve protrusion

**Answer: B**

Explanation:

Nerve weakness

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