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-centesis surgical puncture
arthrocentesis surgical puncture of a joint
clast break
osteoclast Area of broken-down bone
desis binding, fixation (of a bone or joint)
arthrodesis binding or fixation of a joint
ectomy excision, removal
appendectomy excision or removal of the appendix
lysis separation; destruction; loosening
thrombolysis separation, destruction, or loosening of a blood clot
pexy fixation (of an organ)
mastopexy fixation of the breast
plasty surgical repair
rhinoplasty surgical repair of the nose (to change shape or size)
rrhaphy suture
myorrhaphy suture of a muscle
stomy forming an opening
tracheostomy forming an opening (mouth) into the trachea
tome instrument to cut
osteotome instrument to cut bone
tomy incision
tracheotomy incision into the trachea
tripsy crushing
lithotripsy crushing a stone or calculus
gram record, writing
electrocardiogram record of electrical activity of the heart
graph instrument for recording
cardiograph instrument to record electrical activity of the heart
graphy process of recording
angiography process of recording images of blood vessels (after injection of a contrast medium)
meter instrument for measuring
pelvimeter instrument for measuring the pelvis
metry act of measuring
pelvimetry act of measuring the pelvis
scope instrument for examining
endoscope instrument for examining within (or inside a hollow organ or cavity)
scopy visual examination
endoscopy visual examination with (a cavity or canal using a specialized lighted instrument called an endoscope)
-algia, -dynia pain
neuralgia Pain of a nerve (or pain along the path of a nerve)
otodynia pain in the ear (earache)
cele hernia, swelling
hepatocoele hernia or swelling of the liver
ectasis dilation, expansion
bronchiectasis abnormal dilation or expansion of a bronchus or bronchi
edema swelling
lymphedema swelling of lymph tissue
emesis vomiting
hyperemesis excessive or above

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normal vomiting-emiablood condition anemia-literally means without blood
 (blood condition caused by iron deficiency or decrease in red blood cells)-
 iasis, -osis abnormal condition (produced by something specific) cholelithiasis-
 presence or formation of gallstones & cyanosis-abnormal condition of dark
 blue (bluish or purple discoloration of the skin)-itis inflammation gastritis-
 inflammation of the stomach-lith stone, calculus cholelith-gallstone-
 malacia softening chondromalacia-softening of cartilage-
 megaly enlargement cardiomegaly-enlargement of the heart-
 oma tumor neuroma-tumor composed of nerve cells-pathy disease myopathy-
 any disease of muscle-penia decrease, deficiency erythropenia-abnormal
 decrease or deficiency in red (blood cells)-phobia fear hemophobia-fear of
 blood-plegia paralysis hemiplegia-paralysis of one half (one side of the body)-
 rrhage, -rrhagiabursting (of) hemorrhage-bursting forth of blood menorrhagia-
 bursting forth of menses-rrheadischarge, flow diarrhea-discharge or flow
 through-rrhexis rupture arteriorrhexis-rupture of an artery-stenosis narrowing,
 stricture arteriostenosis-narrowing or structure of an artery-
 toxic poison hepatotoxic-potentially destructive to the liver-
 trophynourishment, development dystrophy-bad development or
 nourishment Singular-vertebra Plural Retain a and add e. vertebrae Singular-
 ax thorax Plural Drop x and add ce thoraces Singular-enlumen Plural Drop en
 and add ina lumina Singular-isi diagnosis Plural Drop is and add
 es Diagnoses Singular-ix appendix Plural Drop ix and add
 ices appendices Singular-ma sarcoma Plural Retain ma and add
 ta sarcomata Singular-on spermatozoon Plural Drop on and add
 a spermatozoa Singular-um diverticulum Plural Drop um and add
 a diverticula Singular-us thrombus Plural Drop us and add it thrombi Singular-
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ovaryPluralDrop y and add iesovarisesa-, an-without, notamastia-without a breast & anesthesia-without feelingcircum-, peri-aroundcircumduction-act of leading around(movement of a part in a circular direction). periodontal-pertaining to around a toothdia-, trans-through, acrossdiarrhea-flow through & transvaginal-pertaining to across the vaginadipl-, diplo-doublediplopia-double vision & diplobacterial-pertaining to bacteria linked together in pairsendo-, intra-in, withinendocrine-secrete within & intramuscular-pertaining to within the musclehomo-, homeo-samehomograft-litterally means transplantation of the same & homeoplasia-formation or growth of new tissue similar to that already existing in a parthypo-under, below, deficienthypodermic-pertaining to under the skinmacro-largemacrocyte-abnormally large cellmicro-smallmicroscope-instrument for examining minute objectsmono-, uni-onemonocyte-large mononuclear leukocyte & uninuclear-pertaining to one nucleuspost-after, behindpostnatal-pertaining to (the period) after birthpre-, pro-before, in front ofprenatal- pertaining to (the period) before birth & prognosis-before knowing; knowing beforehand (prediction of the course and end of a disease and the estimated chance of recovery.)primi-firstprimigravida-woman during her first pregnancyretro-backward, behindretroversion-literally means turning backward (tipping backward of an organ, such as a uterus, from its normal position)super-upper, abovesuperior-pertaining to upper or above (toward the head or upper portion of a structure)-esis, -ia, -ism, -ycondition(diur/esis, pneumon/ia, hyper/thyrod/ism, neur/o/pathy/y)-iatrymedicine(pod/iatry)-istspecialist(dermat/o/log/ist-icle, -ole, -ulesmall, minute, little-ac, -al, -ar, -ary, -eal, -ic, -ical, -ile, -ior, -ous, -ticpertaining to