HEARING TERMINOLOGY

Worksheet

Write the meaning of the word in the right column.

Term	Meaning
aur/o- aur/i-	external ear
auricle aural	
tympan/o-	eardrum
tympanitis	
tympanoplasty	
Tympanohyal	
tympanotomy	
myring/o-	tympanic membrane/eardrum
myringectomy	
myringitis	
myringoplasty	
myringotomy	
ossicl/-	little bones
ossiculectomy	
mastoid/o-	air spaces in mastoid process of temporal bone
mastoiditis	
mastoidalgia	
mastoidectomy	
labyrinth/o-	inner ear (maze)
labyrinthectomy	
labyrinthitis	
labyrinthotomy	
audi/o-	hearing
audible	
audiologist	
audiometer	
audiometry	
acou/o-	hearing
acoustic	
acousticophobia	
ot/o-	ear
macrotia	
microtia	
otalgia	
otitis (external,	
internal, media)	
Otolaryngologist	
otolaryngology	

otomycosis	
otoneuralgia	
otoplasty	
otorrhea	
otoscope	
	RELATED TERMS:
cochlea	
endolymph	
equilibrium	
malleus=hammer / incus=anvil / stapes=stirrup	
Ménière disease	
perilymph	
pinna	
presbycusis	
Reissner's membrane	
saccule	
tinnitus	
utricle	
vertigo	
vestibule	

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Vocabulary – The Ear Worksheet

In the right column, write the meaning of the term.

Term	Meaning
Auditory canal	
Auditory meatus	
Auditory nerve fibers	
Auditory tube	
Auricle	
Cerumen	
Cochlea	
Endolymph	
Eustachian tube	
Incus	
Labyrinth	
Malleus	
Oran of Corti	
Ossicle	
Oval window	
Perilymph	
Pinna	
Semicircular canals	
Stapes	
Tympanic	
membrane	
Vestibule	

Combining Forms

Write the meaning of the term in the center column and give an example of a term using the combing form.

Combining form	Meaning	Example of term
Acous/o		1
Audi/o		
Audit/o		
Aur/o, auricul/o		
Cochle/o		
Matoid/o		
Myring/o		
Ossicul/o		
Ot/o		
Salping/o		
Staped/o		
Tympan/o		

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Vestibu/o	

Suffixes

Write the meaning of the suffix in the center column and give an example of a term using the suffix.

Suffix	Meaning	Example of term
-acusis or – cusis		
-meter		
-otia		

Abbreviations

Write the meaning of the abbreviation in the right column.

Abbreviation	Definition
AD	
AOM	
AS	
EENT	
ENG	
ENT	
ETD	
HEENT	
PE tube	
SOM	

Pathology of the Ear
Write the description of the condition in the right column.

Condition	Description
Acoustic neuroma	
Cholesteatoma	
Deafness	
Nerve deafness	
Conductive deafness	
Ménière disease	
Otitis media	
Otosclerosis	
Tinnitus	
Vertigo	

Clinical Procedures

Write the description of the procedure in the right column.

Procedure	Description
Audiometry	
Cochlear implant procedure	
Ear thermometry	
Otoscopy	
Tuning fork test	

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