

RESPIRATORY SYSTEM TERMINOLOGY Worksheet

Write the meaning of each term in the spaces provided below

Term	Meaning
ox/o ox/i -	oxia oxygen
hypoxemia	
hypoxia, anoxia	
oximeter	
oximetry	
oxyhemoglobin	
-capnia	carbon dioxide
acapnia	
hypercapnia	
hypocapnia	
-pnea	breathing
apnea	
bradypnea	
dyspnea	
eupnea	
hyperpnea	
hypopnea	
orthopnea	
tachypnea	
nas/o	Nose
nasitis	
nasology	
nasopharyngitis	
nasoscope	
rhin/o	nose
rhinitis	
rhinocheiloplasty	
rhinomycosis	
rhinoplasty	
rhinorrhagia	
rhinorrhea	
rhinostenosis	
rhinovirus	

muc/o	mucus
mucopurulent	
mucous	
mucus	
sinus/o	sinus
paranasal sinuses	
sinusitis	
sinusotomy	
pharyng/o	pharynx
laryngopharynx	
nasopharynx	
oropharynx	
pharyngalgia	
pharyngectomy	
pharyngitis	
pharyngomycosis	
pharyngopathy	
pharyngoplasty	
pharyngorrhea	
pharyngoscope	
pharyngotomy	
pharyngoxerosis	
tonsill/o	tonsil
tonsillectomy	
tonsillitis	
tonsillotomy	
adenoid/o	adenoids (adeno=gland, oids=like/resembling)
adenoid hypertrophy	
adenoidectomy	
adenoiditis	
adenotomy	
laryng/	larynx (voice box)
laryngalgia	
laryngectomy	
laryngitis	
laryngocentesis	
laryngomalacia	
laryngopathy	

laryngoplasty	
laryngoplegia	
laryngoscope	
laryngoscopy	
laryngospasm	
laryngostenosis	
laryngoxerosis	
-phonia or voice	pertaining to sound
aphonia	
dysphonia	
epiglott/o epiglottid/o	epiglottis
epiglottitis	
epiglottidectomy	
trache/o	trachea
endotracheal intubation	
tracheitis	
tracheoplasty	
tracheostenosis	
tracheostoma	
tracheostomy	
tracheotomy	
bronch/i bronch/o bronchiol/o	bronchi/bronchiole
bronchiectasis	
bronchiostenosis	
bronchitis	
bronchodilator	
bronchoedema	
bronchogenic carcinoma	
bronchomycosis	
bronchopathy	
bronchoplasty	
bronchopneumonia	
bronchorrhagia	
bronchorrhea	
bronchoscope	
bronchoscopy	
bronchospasm	
bronchotomy	

alveol/o	alveoli (air sacs in the lungs)
alveolitis	
pulmon/o	lung
pulmonectomy	
pneum/o pneumat/o pneumon/o	lung, air
pneumatic	
pneumohemothorax	
pneumomalacia	
pneumectomy	
pneumonia	
pneumometer	
thorac/o	thorax (chest)
thoracalgia	
thoracocentesis / thoracentesis	
thoracodynia	
thoracotomy	
-thorax	chest
hemothorax	
hydrothorax	
pneumothorax	
pyothorax	
pleur/o	pleura
pleurocentesis	
pleuropexy	
pleuralgia	
pleurisy	
lob/o	lobe
lobectomy	
lobitis	
atel/-	imperfect
atelectasis	

diaphragmat/o diaphragm/o	diaphragm (partition)
diaphragmatic	
phren/	diaphragm
phrenic nerve	
phrenoplegia	
Phrenospasm	
spir/o	breathe
spirometer	
spirometry	
spiograph	
spiogram	
Related Respiratory Terminology and Diseases	
ABG's	
adenoids	
apex	
ARDS	
asbestosis	
asphyxia	
aspirate	
asthma	
atelectasis	
bronchiectasis	
bronchioles	
carina	
Cheyne-Stokes	
chronic bronchitis	
cleft palate	
COPD	
cough	
cricoid cartilage	
croup	
cyanosis	
cystic fibrosis	
diaphragm	
diphtheria	
emphysema	
epiglottis	
epistaxis	
expiration	
FEV ₁	

FVC	
glottis	
Heimlich maneuver	
hiccup	
hilum	
hilus	
hyaline membrane disease	
influenza	
inspiration	
IRV	
Kussmaul's	
Legionnaires' Disease	
palatine tonsils	
palliative	
parietal pleura	
patent rales	
PCP	
pertussis	
pleurisy	
pneumonia	
pneumothorax	
postural drainage	
purulent	
respiration	
rhonchi	
RV	
snoring	
stridor	
surfactant	
thyroid cartilage	
tuberculosis	
TLC	
uvula	
Vagus nerve	
Valsalva maneuver	
VC	
Visceral pleura	
V _T	
yawn	

Respiratory Diagnostic Terms Worksheet

Write the meaning of each term in the spaces provided below

Word	Meaning
Auscultation	
Percussion	
Pleural rub	
Rales (crackles)	
Rhonchi (singular: rhonchus)	
Sputum	
Stridor	
Wheezes	

Upper Respiratory Disorders

Word	Meaning
Croup	
Diphtheria	
Epistaxis	
Pertussis	

Bronchial Disorders

Word	Meaning
Asthma	
Bronchiectasis	
Chronic bronchitis	
Cystic fibrosis (CF)	

Lung Disorders

Word	Meaning
Atelectasis	
Emphysema	
Lung cancer	
Pneumoconiosis	
Pneumonia	
Pulmonary abscess	
Pulmonary edema	
Pulmonary embolism (PE)	
Pulmonary fibrosis	
Sarcoidosis	
Tuberculosis (TB)	

Pleural Disorders

Word	Meaning
Mesothelioma	
Pleural effusion	
Pleurisy (pleuritis)	
Pneumothorax	

Clinical Procedures

Word	Meaning
Chest x-ray (CXR)	
Computed tomography scan of the chest (CT)	
Magnetic resonance imaging of the chest (MRI)	
Positron emission tomography scan of the lung (PET)	
Ventilation-perfusion scan (V/Q)	
Bronchoscopy	
Laryngoscopy	
Endotracheal intubation	
Lung biopsy	
Mediastinoscopy	
Pulmonary function test (PFTs)	
Thoracentesis	
Thoracotomy	
Thoracoscopy (thorascopy)	
Tracheostomy	
Tuberculin test	
Tube thoracostomy	