

Suffixes

-algia - pain

-ar } pertaining
-ary } to

-capnia - CO₂

-cele hernia or protrusion

-centesis surgical puncture
to aspirate fluid

-eal pertaining to

-ectasis stretching out
expansion

-emia - blood condition

-gram record

-graphy process of recording

-meter instrument to
measure

-metry measurement of

-orrhagia rapid flow of blood

-ostomy creation of opening

-otomy cut into

-oxia oxygen

-pexy surgical fixation

-phonia sound or voice

-pnea breathing

-scope instrument
for examination

-scopy visual exam

-scopic

-spasm involuntary muscle
contraction

-stenosis narrowing

-thorax chest

-ectasis: enlargement

-dynia: pain

-ptysis: spitting

tuss- cough

caph- carbon dioxide

ox- oxygen

silic- glass

byssin- cotton dust

coni- dust

anthrac- coal dust

absest- asbestos

eu- good

atel- incomplete

dilation

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Vocabulary Chapter 13
Respiratory System

Word Root/Combining Form

adenoid/o - adenoids	tonsill/o - tonsils
alveol/o - alveolus	atel/o - imperfect, incomplete
bronch/i bronch/o } bronchus	hem/o hemat/o } blood
bronchiol/o - bronchioles	muc/o - mucus
phren/o diaphragm/o } diaphragm	orth/o - straight
epiglott/o - epiglottis	ox/o ox/i } oxygen
laryng/o - larynx	py/o - pus
lob/o - lobe	spir/o - breathe, breathing
nas/o rhin/o } nose	or/o - mouth
pharyng/o - pharynx	cost/o - ribs
pleur/o - pleura	phon/o - voice or sound
pneum/o pneumat/o pneumon/o } lungs, air	somn/o - sleep
pulmon/o - lungs	
sinus/o - sinus	
sept/o - septum	
thorac/o - thorax, chest	
trache/o - trachea	

Prefixes

a- an-	} without, absent
endo-	- within
eu-	- normal, good
pan-	- all, total