

**15 What equipment is used to measure vital signs?**

Find examples in the text.

1. A ..... is sometimes used to measure pulse.
2. A ..... is used to measure blood pressure.
3. An ..... can be used to measure .....
4. A ..... is put on the patient's arm to take blood pressure.
5. A digital ..... is usually used to take  
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6. In some countries ..... are still used.
7. Oxygen saturations are measured with a .....

**16 What are the units of measurement of the vital signs?**

1. pulse .....
2. blood pressure .....
3. respiratory rate .....
4. temperature .....
5. oxygen saturations .....

**17 Find words in the text which mean the following:**

1. an artery in one's wrist .....
2. pulse which is weak and difficult to listen to .....
3. the first (higher) number in blood pressure reading .....
4. breathing difficulty .....
5. a way of measuring body temperature under the patient's armpit .....
6. a feeling of coldness causing shaking when someone has high fever .....

**18 Write your own definitions of the following words/phrases:**

1. tachycardia .....
2. brachial artery .....
3. diastolic .....
4. tympanic temperature .....

**19 Complete the sentences with the words from the text.**

1. If your pulse is ....., you may be suffering from arrhythmia.
2. .... may indicate lowered blood pressure.
3. Doctor, Mrs. Jones is ..... Her temperature is 38.0°C.
4. If a patient suffers from an ..... or infection, he or she can experience high .....