

# HEALTH SCIENCE GRADE 12- Medical Terminology-

## 1.1 Introduction to medical terminology

### Match the words with its definitions:

Terminology

pain or sickness in the body

symptom

a word or word part that can form other words through the addition of prefixes and suffixes

sign

a feeling or physical change experienced by a patient, such as pain or tiredness

Root word

evidence of an illness that can be seen by others, such as a skin rash or a cough

Suffix

a letter or group of letters that is added at the beginning of a word to change its meaning

vowel

a letter or a group of letters that is added to the end of a word to change its meaning

prefix

to recognise a disease or illness by examining someone

Diagnose

a close and careful study of someone to find signs of illness or injury

Complaint

to say or write something as an answer to a question or request

examination

the letters A, E, I, O and U

Respond

the special words or phrases that are used in a particular field