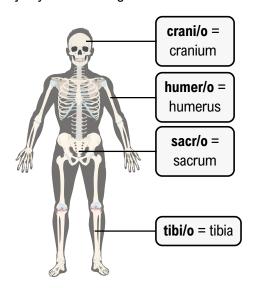
Introduction

◆ Majority of combining forms in the skeletal system are simply the names of the _____ themselves.



Structures of Skeletal System

◆ Combining forms describing ______ of the skeletal system.

Combining Form	Definition	Memory Tool
cervic/o		Cervic/al vertebrae.
cost/o	ribs	Costly BBQ.
olecran/o		Old crane.
condyl/o	knuckle	Knuckle candy.
chir/o		chir/o/practor
ped/o* pod/o		Pedal on a podium.
dactyl/o	finger, toe	Pterodactyl

Combining Form	Definition	Memory Tool
articul/o	joint	Joints are particular.
myel/o	marrow, cord	Mile long cord.
spondyl/o	vertebra	Spindle rod.
coll/a		coll/a/gen
syn/o	connect	sync
burs/o		Purse sac.
acr/o	extremity	acrobat

EXAMPLE		

Bacterial or fungal infection of the bone, which causes swelling in the bone marrow is called:	
a) Osteomyelitis	

- b) Bacteriomyitis
- c) Osteomyeloma
- d) Osteomycitis

PRACTICE

Define the following:

- 1) Olecranon bursitis:
- 2) Polydactylism:

Characteristics and Conditions

◆ Combining forms describing characteristics and conditions of the skeletal system.

Combining Form	Definition	Memory Tool
ankyl/o	stiff,	Bent ankle.
scoli/o	crooked, curvature	scoli/o/sis
kyph/o		Keep Your Posture Hunched
lord/o	bent wards	Lean Over Rear Direction.
orth/o		orth/o/pedist

Combining Form	Definition	Memory Tool
fixat/o	fastened	Fix it!
rheumat/o	discharge	Messy roommat e.
lith/o		monolith
por/o		por/ous
prosthet/o	, artificial part	prosthet/ic

EXAMPLE

Exaggerated inward curve of the lower back vertebrae.

- a) Scoliopathy
- b) Lumbar lordosis
- c) Cervical scoliosis
- d) Lordospinalosis

PRACTICE

Surgical process of stabilizing or/and joining ends of broken bones is known as:

- a) Lithotomy
- b) Osteofixation
- c) Ankylosis
- d) Rheumatopathy

Suffixes

◆ Suffixes related to or used for skeletal system.

Combining Form	Definition	Memory Tool
-clast -clasia (process of)	to break, broken	cast
-listhesis		Lizard slipping.
-phyte		epi/ phyte
-poiesis	formation	"poietic"

Combining Form	Definition	Memory Tool
-lysis	loosen,	Lys and dice.
-oid	resembling	human/ oid
-dynia		Dynamite, ouch!
-ion	of	celebrat/ion
-ous	pertaining to	joy/ ous

EXAMPLE

The term spondylolisthesis describes a condition where:

- a) Vertebral joints are fused or hardened.
- b) Vertebral bones are surgically fractured to fix a deformity.
- c) Vertebral bones are loosened.
- d) Vertebra bone slips over another vertebra below it.

PRACTICE

Select a correct term describing a bony outgrowth on the heel bone.

- a) Metacarpal chondrolysis
- b) Calcaneal osteophyte
- c) Osteolysis
- d) Chondrophyte

CONCEPT: SKELETAL SYSTEM: WORD BUILDING PRACTICE Define osteoporosis. PRACTICE Define bursolith. PRACTICE Define podiatry.