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Vocabulary Test About SPECIALISTS MCQ Exercise 99

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Explanations

1. He treats children's diseases.
✔ **B) He is a pediatrician.**
A **pediatrician** (British spelling **paediatrician**) is a doctor who looks after babies and children. Not **orthopaedist**, who treats bones and joints.

2. He corrects deformities of the body.
✔ **B) He is an orthopaedist.**
An **orthopaedist** treats problems with bones, joints and muscles, including deformities such as a bent spine. A **pathologist** studies diseases in the lab and does not correct the body.

3. He straightens crooked teeth.
✔ **A) He is an orthodontist.**
An **orthodontist** is a dentist who straightens teeth, for example with braces. Not **orthopaedist**: the words look alike, but an orthopaedist treats bones, not teeth.

4. He is a medical doctor who specializes in diseases of the eye.
✔ **A) He is an oculist.**
An **oculist** (today usually called an **ophthalmologist**) is a medical doctor who treats eye diseases. Not **optician**: an optician tests eyesight and makes glasses but is not a medical doctor.

5. He makes your eyeglasses.
✔ **C) He is an optician.**
An **optician** makes and sells glasses and contact lenses. Not **oculist**, who is a doctor who treats eye diseases.

6. He specializes in disorders of the mind.
✔ **B) He is a psychiatrist.**
A **psychiatrist** is a doctor who treats mental illness. Not **physiotherapist**, who treats the body with exercise and massage.

7. He treats injuries and stiff joints with exercise and massage.
✔ **B) He is a physiotherapist.**
A **physiotherapist** helps people move better after an injury, using exercise, massage and heat, and sometimes electrical treatment. Not **psychologist**, who helps with problems of the mind, and not **pathologist**, who studies diseases, usually by examining samples in a laboratory, rather than treating patients directly.

8. His speciality is taking and interpreting X-rays.
✔ **C) He is a radiologist.**
A **radiologist** is a doctor who takes and reads X-rays and other scans of the inside of the body. A **neurologist** treats the nervous system.

9. He specializes in diseases of the nervous system.
✔ **C) He is a neurologist.**
A **neurologist** treats diseases of the brain and nerves (the nervous system). A **cardiologist** treats the heart.

10. He treats diseases of old age.
✔ **B) He is a geriatrician.**
A **geriatrician** is a doctor who looks after old people. Not **pediatrician**, who is the opposite: a doctor for children.

11. He specializes in skin diseases.
✔ **A) He is a dermatologist.**
A **dermatologist** is a doctor who treats skin problems, such as acne or rashes.

12. He treats women's diseases.
✔ **C) He is a gynaecologist.**
A **gynaecologist** is a doctor who treats health problems of the female body. A **dermatologist** treats the skin.

13. He brings children into the world.
✔ **B) He is an obstetrician.**
An **obstetrician** is a doctor who looks after women during pregnancy and helps babies to be born. Not **gynaecologist**, who treats women's health in general, or **pediatrician**, who looks after children after they are born.

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