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Vocabulary:

"My Team Saved My Life"

1. **cardiac (KAHR-dee-ak)** *adjective*; Cardiac means "of or relating to the heart." The term *cardiac* is often used in the medical field. For instance, hospital patients who are being treated for a problem that involves the heart are referred to as cardiac patients.
2. **cardiologist (kahr-dee-OL-uh-jist)** *noun*; Cardiology is the study of the heart and diseases that affect the heart. A cardiologist is a doctor who specializes in the treatment of diseases related to the heart.
3. **commotion (kuh-MOH-shuhn)** *noun*; A commotion is a noisy or chaotic disturbance, usually involving excitement or confusion. If there is a group of people cheering in the street outside your house, you might go outside to see what all the commotion is about.
4. **compression (kuhm-PRESH-uhn)** *noun*; The verb *compress* means to press or squeeze something together, usually to make it smaller. Compression is the act of compressing something. The tight-fitting spandex clothing that athletes sometimes wear is called compression clothing because it squeezes the body. When someone performs chest compressions during CPR, they are pressing on someone's chest repeatedly to pump blood through that person's heart.
5. **defibrillator (dee-FIB-ruh-ley-ter)** *noun*; A defibrillator is medical device that applies an electric shock to the heart to make it beat normally. Doctors use defibrillators in hospitals when a patient's heart stops beating. Automatic external defibrillators, or AEDs, are portable defibrillators that can be used in an emergency, and are often found at schools, gyms, and parks.
6. **deprive (dih-PRAHYV)** *verb*; To deprive is to keep or take something away from someone. If you are babysitting your younger cousin and you won't let her eat candy before dinner, you are depriving her of candy (for a good reason).
7. **oxygenate (OK-si-juh-neyt)** *verb*; To oxygenate something is to fill or supply it with oxygen. We oxygenate our blood when we breathe, and our blood carries the oxygen to the organs throughout our body. (The term *oxygenate* is most often used when referring to blood.)

Directions: On this page, list any other words from the article whose definitions you are not sure about. For each word, use context clues to try to figure out the meaning. Then look up the word in a few different dictionaries. Discuss the primary meaning of the word with your teacher or another adult. Then write a definition for the word and one example sentence using the word.

Vocabulary Practice

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Directions: Briefly answer each question below.

1. Describe a situation in which someone might need a **defibrillator**.

2. Why do you think movies based on novels are often **compressions** of the original stories?

Directions: Fill in the circle next to the best answer to each question.

3. Which of the following could be described as a **cardiac condition**?

- ☐ Ⓐ the flu
☐ Ⓑ an ear infection
☐ Ⓒ heart disease
☐ Ⓓ a broken wrist

4. If you have been **deprived** of sleep, you are **probably** very tired.

- ☐ Ⓐ true
☐ Ⓑ false

Directions: Complete each unfinished sentence in a way that makes the meaning of the boldfaced word clear.

5. My grandfather recently went to see a **cardiologist** because _____

6. "There is quite a **commotion** going on across the street," Ms. Fitz said. I looked out the classroom window and saw _____

7. Our gym teacher told us that she once had to use a **defibrillator** on a student. Apparently, the student _____

8. During Andrew's heart surgery, a special machine pumped and **oxygenated** his blood. In other words, the machine _____
