auscultation  [aw-skuh l-tey-shuh n]

Examples

noun

1. Medicine/Medical. the act of listening, either directly or through a stethoscope or other instrument, to sounds within the body as a method of diagnosis.

Origin

Latin

1625-1635
Auscultation

1625-35; < Latin auscultātiōn- (stem of auscultātiō) a listening, attending to, equivalent to auscultāt (us) listened to (past participle of auscultāre; aus- (variant stem of auris ear) + -cultā- of uncertain sense and orig. + -tus past participle suffix) + -iōn -ion

Can be confused


Examples from the web for auscultation

Steve submitted docilely to the pediatrician's experienced prodding and auscultation.

British Dictionary definitions for auscultation

auscultation

/ˌɔːskəlˈteɪʃən/

noun

1. the diagnostic technique in medicine of listening to the various internal sounds made by the body, usually with the aid of a stethoscope

2. the act of listening

Derived Forms
auscultatory (əˈskəltətərē), auscultative (əˈskəltətiv; ˈəskəltətiv) adjective

Word Origin

C19: from Latin auscultātiō a listening, from auscultāre to listen attentively; related to Latin auris ear

Word Origin and History for auscultation

n.

"act of listening," 1630s, from Latin auscultationem (nominative auscultatio), noun of action from past participle stem of auscultare (see auscultate (/browse/auscultate)). Medical sense is from 1821.

auscultation in Medicine

auscultation aus·cul·ta·tion (ōˈskəl-təˈshən)
n.
The act of listening for sounds made by internal organs, such as the heart and lungs, to aid in the diagnosis of certain disorders.

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