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100	Clue	Most common location for an ectopic parathyroid
-100	Response	What is mediastinum/thymus?
200	Clue	Apple-green birefringence is a hallmark of Congo red staining of this protein found in abundance in medullary thyroid cancer
	Response	What is calcitonin?
300	Clue	This enzymatic defect in cortisol synthesis is salt wasting and leads to precocious puberty in males and virilization in females
	Response	What is 21-hydroxylase deficiency?
400	Clue	The type of thyroid cancer suspected in a patient with bilateral pheochromocytomas
	Response	What is medullary thyroid cancer (MEN2)?
500	Clue	Upregulation of RET can lead to a predilection for medullary thyroid cancer; a downregulation of RET is associated with this pediatric condition
	Response	What is Hirschsprung disease?





100	Clue	This physician first introduced the use of carbolic acid as part of standard medical practice
	Response	Who is Joseph Lister?
200	Clue	This Swiss physician was the first surgeon to win the Nobel prize for his work on the pathophysiology of the thyroid
	Response	Who is Dr. Emil Kocher?
300	Clue	Considered by many to be the father of modern neurosurgery, this physician also won a Pulitzer Prize for his biography of Sir William Osler
	Response	Who is Dr. Harvey Cushing?
400	Clue	Working closely with Dr. Harvey Cushing to help solve the issue of postoperative bleeding, this physician designed one of the most commonly used instruments in modern surgery
	Response	Who is Dr. William Bovie?
500	Clue	She was the first female surgeon in the United States and the only woman ever to win the Medal of Honor for her service as a Civil War surgeon
	Response	Who is Dr. Mary Edwards Walker?





100	Clue	Open gallbladder incision and cheap housing
100	Response	What is subcostal hostel?
200	Clue	Bile acid secretion by liver acinar cells is controlled by this hormone
	Response	What is CCK?
300	Clue	Hallmark feature is the presence of a central scar on CT or MRI
	Response	What is focal nodular hyperplasia (FNH)?
400	Clue	The eponymous name was given to a rare complication of hemangiomas involving consumptive coagulopathy
	Response	What is Kasabach-Merritt syndrome?
500	Clue	A common effect of secretin, cholecystokinin, gastrin, and acetylcholine on centroacinar cells of the pancreas
	Response	What is the stimulation of HCO3- secretion?





100	Clue	Closure of the mesenteric defect in an RYGB is done to reduce the risk of this potentially devastating intra-abdominal complication
	Response	What is an internal hernia/midgut/small bowel strangulation?
200	Clue	Associated with macrocytic anemia, peripheral neuropathy, and beefy red tongue, this vitamin deficiency can occur following gastric bypass
	Response	What is B12 deficiency?
300	Clue	This anatomic location on the stomach is the most common site of stenosis associated with a gastric sleeve
	Response	What is the incisura?
400	Clue	An upper GI after RYGB demonstrates brisk filling of the gastric remnant in this complication
	Response	What is a gastro-gastric fistula?
500	Clue	This radiographic angle on x-ray is used to assess appropriate positioning of a gastric band
Daily Double	Response	What is the phi angle?





100	Clue	According to the 2012 Surviving Sepsis campaign guidelines, this is the initial vasopressor of choice for septic shock
	Response	What is norepinephrine?
200	Clue	In addition to its utility in anaphylaxis, this vasopressor is often used in the ICU for its inotropic and chronotropic effects
	Response	What is epinephrine?
300	Clue	A hormone traditionally secreted by the neurohypophysis, use of this vasopressor can be complicated by hyponatremia and diabetes insipidus
	Response	What is vasopressin?
400	Clue	As a centrally acting alpha-2 agonist, the utility of this sedating agent is limited by its sometimes profound side effect of bradycardia
	Response	What is dexmedetomidine (Precedex)?
500	Clue	This medication works via nonadrenergic pathways to have both inotropic and vasodilatory actions
	Response	What is milrinone?





100	Clue	Used in cases of hemorrhagic shock during trauma resuscitation, this device can be inflated in zone 1 or zone 3 depending upon the area of suspected bleeding
	Response	What is a REBOA?
200	Clue	Equipped with an oxygenator and a pump, this machine is able to provide mechanical support for both the heart and lungs
	Response	What is VA ECMO?
300	Clue	This vascular device inflates during diastole and deflates during systole, providing support for heart during all phases of contractility
	Response	What is an intra-aortic balloon pump?
400	Clue	This surgically implanted mechanical pump pulls blood from the ventricles and ejects it through the aorta or pulmonary arteries
	Response	What is a ventricular assist device?
500	Clue	Placement of this mechanical cardiac support device requires a partial cardiectomy and can be used as a destination therapy or a bridge to transplant
	Response	What is a total artificial heart?



