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Pre – Test

Identify the meaning of the underlined words in each sentence. Choose from the choices below.

- _____ 1 She used a special **technique** in baking the pastry.
a. style or skill b. inefficiency
- _____ 2 She **administered** the test for junior high school students.
a. refuse b. give; apply; distribute
- _____ 3 **Dermal fillers** are used to smoothen the skin of most women nowadays.
a. injectable implants b. facial surgery
- _____ 4 People come from **various** backgrounds and culture.
a. different; many b. less; small
- _____ 5 The woman can never **recall** the cruel things she said to her sister.
a. take back; cancel b. accept
- _____ 6 The man cannot continue with the Olympic games because he encountered some **complications** during his physical examination.
a. problem; issue b. settlement
- _____ 7 Milly took the **risks** in joining the marathon despite the fact that she has a lung problem.
a. danger; take a chance b. guard; protection
- _____ 8 Electronic **commerce** began to spread rapidly.
a. selling b. trade; business
- _____ 9 The baby had an **adverse** reaction to the injection.
a. positive b. bad; unpleasant
- _____ 10 She has been **undergoing** speech therapy since she was still a baby.
a. discontinuing b. experiencing

01

Reading



The Health Sciences Authority is investigating if there are issues with a batch of dermal fillers, after a woman went blind following fillers **administered** in July. HSA said this is the first **adverse** report of its kind in Singapore. **Dermal fillers** are used to temporarily improve facial wrinkles.

The woman was given AestheFill, a brand that is injected into the deepest layer of the skin. The brand has been registered in Singapore since October 2021. CNA has contacted AestheFill's distributor for **commerce**. HSA says it will issue a **recall** if any product or batch related are found. There is a known risk for dermal fillers when blood vessels are blocked, it can cause blindness. It's also listed as a potential adverse event. Consumers are advised to discuss with clinicians about such risks before **undergoing** this procedure. One dermatologist says **complications** like blindness are very rare but may occur in one out of 5,000 injections.

*“With any cosmetic procedures, there are always **risks** involved and of course it depends on the **technique** used and the experience of the doctor or the injector but dermal fillers have been used for cosmetic purposes for many years. Although there are **various** products available in the market if you talk about the complication that we encountered or was reported. It is considered to be a very rare complication.”*

02

Activity

A1 | Pair Me Up

Match the words on the first column to its corresponding meaning on the second column.

UNDERGO	1 _____	A	problem; issue
ADMINISTER	2 _____	B	bad; unpleasant
ADVERSE	3 _____	C	experience; go through
DERMAL FILLER	4 _____	D	injectable implants
COMMENCE	5 _____	E	give; apply; distribute
COMPLICATION	6 _____	F	cancel; bring back; take back
RECALL	7 _____	G	buy and sell; bargain; trade; business
TECHNIQUE	8 _____	H	different; many
RISK	9 _____	I	style; skill; way of doing something
VARIOUS	10 _____	J	danger; take a chance

A2 | Right Words

Complete the sentence by choosing the word that fits the context. Choose from the box below.

accomplish
forget

undergo
adverse

commerce
complication

administer
recall

1 I had to _____ a medical examination when I started my job.

2 A heart _____ stopped the man from reaching his dream career.

3 The nurse will _____ the pain killer to the patient.

4 Divorce has an _____ effect on children.

5 She has a successful career in _____.

6 After her accident, she could not _____ anything about her accident.

03

Speak Up

You are welcome to authentically share your thoughts as you go through the following questions.

1 Can you tell me about your daytime skincare routine?
How about your nighttime skincare routine?

4 Do you think you also need dermal fillers in the future? Why? Why not?

2 In your opinion, do these products help your skin look fresh and young?

5 What are the things you need to think of before undergoing a procedure like fillers or botox?

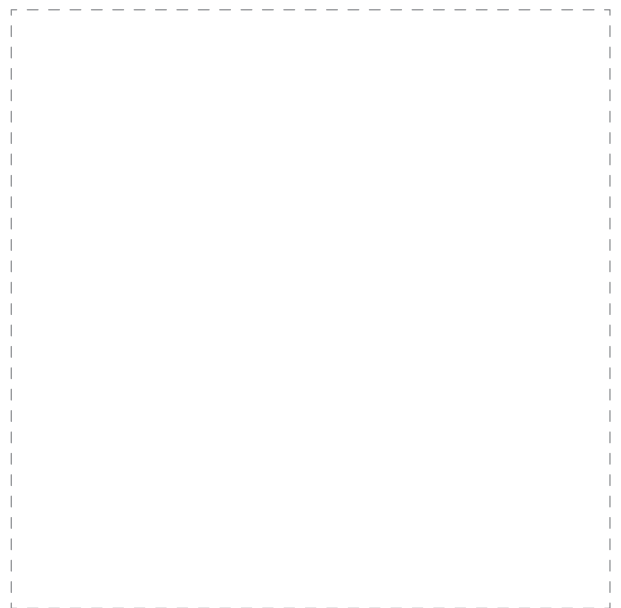
3 What is the first thing that comes into your mind when you hear the word botox?



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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

The beauty
you see reflects
the beauty you
see within.



The Creative Box; Draw something, write something, do anything to this box – let yourself be free with the box.

KEY ANSWERS

1C 2E 3B 4D 5G 6A 7F 8I 9J 10H

1 undergo – 2 complication – 3 administer – 4 adverse – 5 commerce – 6 recall

LESSON SUMMARY

READING + LISTENING + SPEAKING

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