

What is Technical and Specialized Vocabulary?

Worksheet

Technical and specialized vocabulary comprises domain-specific jargon: legal terms (tort, plaintiff, jurisdiction), medical terms (hypertension, biopsy, etiology), IT terms (API, encryption, bandwidth). Each field has precise terminology that professionals must understand.

Questions

1. Which is technical/specialized vocabulary?

- A) The doctor tested it.
- B) The physician ordered a biopsy.
- C) A sickness spread quickly.
- D) Health got better.

2. In legal terms, who brings a lawsuit?

- A) the judge
- B) the defendant
- C) the plaintiff
- D) the jury

3. What does 'ROI' mean in finance?

- A) Rate of Income
- B) Return on Investment
- C) Reduction of Interest
- D) Record of Income

4. In IT, what is 'latency'?

- A) data storage
- B) delay in response time
- C) internet speed
- D) system crash

5. Convert to legal terminology: 'The person who was wronged sued the other person for damages.'

6. Use medical terminology: 'The doctor found a lump and tested it to see if it's cancer.'

7. Upgrade to IT terminology: 'The network slows down when a lot of people connect at once.'

8. Define: What is technical vocabulary?

9. Define: Why is specialized vocabulary important?

10. Define: Examples of legal technical terms

Answer Key

1. B) The physician ordered a biopsy. — 'Biopsy' is precise medical terminology; others are general/casual.
2. C) the plaintiff — Plaintiff = the person who sues. Defendant = accused.
3. B) Return on Investment — ROI = Return on Investment, a key financial metric.
4. B) delay in response time — Latency = delay; bandwidth = speed; throughput = data volume.
5. General: The person who was wronged sued the other person for damages. Legal: The plaintiff filed suit against the defendant seeking compensatory damages for tortious conduct. Or: The aggrieved party initiated litigation to recover damages resulting from the alleged tort.
6. General: The doctor found a lump and tested it to see if it's cancer. Medical: The physician discovered a palpable mass and ordered a tissue biopsy to rule out malignancy. Or: Clinical examination revealed a mass; histopathology was recommended to assess oncological etiology.
7. General: The network slows down when a lot of people connect at once. IT: The network experiences degraded throughput and increased latency under high concurrent user load. Or: The infrastructure exhibits bandwidth saturation and response-time delays during peak connection demand.
8. Field-specific jargon and terminology used within a profession or discipline. Examples: tort (law), biopsy (medicine), API (IT), ROI (finance).
9. It enables precise, efficient communication among professionals; reduces ambiguity; and signals expertise and credibility in your field.
10. Tort, plaintiff, defendant, jurisdiction, precedent, liability, litigation, judgment, damages.

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