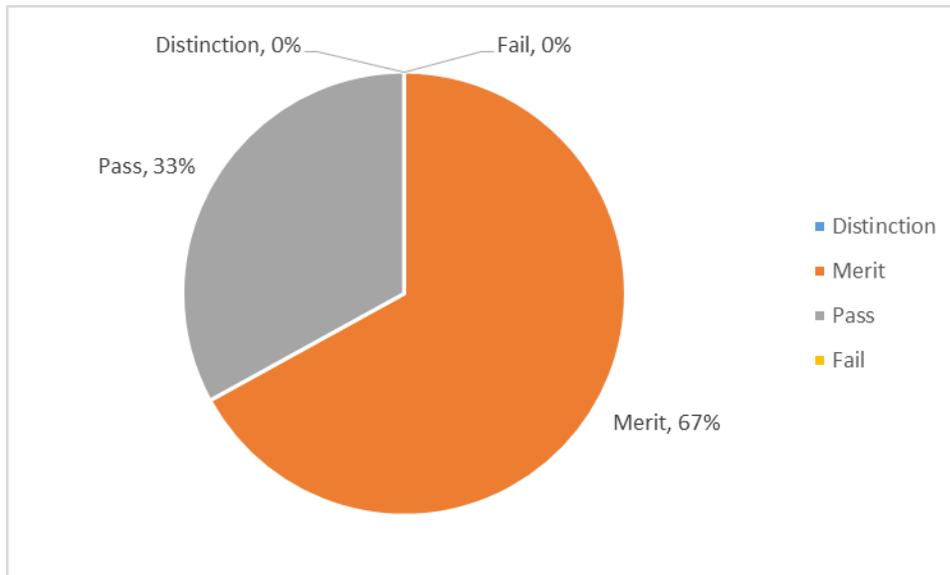




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4415-300/4419-330 - Level 3 Certificate in Medical Terminology

Examiner's report - November 2014 series



The pass mark range for this examination is 75%. However, as each examination paper is unique there can be slight variations of difficulty from series to series – which means that candidates are required to gain either more or fewer raw marks to compensate and to gain a pass.

Areas of good performance

Results varied considerably in this examination with some centres achieving very good results, with others having poor results.

Question 1

This was generally well answered by some candidates.

Question 4

This was well answered by most candidates and involved matching block questions.

Questions 5 & 6

These questions were generally well answered although some candidates showed a lack of basic knowledge which was disappointing.

Areas for improvement

Again there were a few very poor papers submitted with candidates showing absolutely no understanding of the subject.



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Question 2

There were some excellent answers to this question. Some candidates had very little knowledge of the correct terms. This question usually defines the final outcome of a pass or referral grading for the candidate.

Questions 3 & 7

These questions also produced a few excellent answers, together with extremely weak results, from a particular group of students.

Medical terms least known

Ischaemia	hypovolaemia	narcotics	mycosis	idiopathic	
Hypoxia	osteoclasia	steatorrhoea	ascites	haemostasis	atelectasis
Thrombus	pyrexia	diverticular	fibroid		
Contra-	circum-	andro-	chromo-	ilio-	necro-

Meanings

Surgery performed with/after freezing the tissue removal of living tissue for examination

Abnormal cell formation scanty production of urine

Abbreviations

Na IUD IBS CNS od neb

Recommendations and tips

Take care to read the paper carefully.

In questions one and seven, careful reading of the given passages should assist the candidate to have a greater understanding of the medical terms.

Tutors need to be familiar with common medical terms which are used in a working situation in order to guide their students correctly.