

EXTRA USEFUL VOCABULARY UNIT 3 CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM

vascular disorder
birth defect
hardening/narrowing/weakening of vessel walls
stenosis (narrowing) x dilation (widening)
aneurism
vascular lumen
deposits/plaque
ischemia/dyspnea/paleness/sweat/swelling
life-threatening condition
(valvular) insufficiency
artificial x natural
tight/suffocating pain
angina pectoris
pain spreads/moves/radiates
restriction of blood supply
coronary arteries
increased/elevated x decreased blood pressure

to skip a beat/rapid x slow heartbeat/arrhythmia

blood clot/embolus/thrombus
to flow/run/circulate

to occur / When the symptoms occur .../Whenever this occurs

main role/function/task
major artery/aorta
major x minor
atrio-ventricular valves
semilunar valves

a cure/to cure
a treatment/to treat
to heal

to get worse/to deteriorate: *The condition of the patient got worse/deteriorated over the night.*

to aggravate

plaster/sling/crutches/stick/scar/stitch/bandage/paramedic/
ambulance/stretchers

hospital department/ward/ unit: ICU *intensive care unit*

to go for a check-up