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INSIDE: A comprehensive guide to all the completely medically-related (and hence highly educational) TV shows you never knew you needed, the best of the medical meme scene, the chain mail you've got to forward within 2 days or risk death, a cartoon corner, all your starter pack needs and a Velan-esque crossword.

#### Enjoy!

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## med shows

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Medical dramas are one of those things most people either love or hate. I, personally, am leaning towards the side of the naysayers. I realise that's a little unfair, seeing as I've barely watched one. Evidenced-based medicine is a thing, after all. So, because I am a masochist, I decided to watch three of them and report my findings.

Those who already fangirl avidly will have the pleasure of seeing an innocent become inducted into their cult of Hollywood medicine. Everyone else, you can watch me take a bullet for you. You're welcome.

and, most importantly, breaking and entering. See, mum? I didn't buy that lock picking set from eBay because I'm a criminal! I'm just trying to be a real doctor! You have to follow hospital dress code unless (a) you are 'the best doctor in this hospital' (i.e. House) OR (b) you are a reasonably attractive quy wearing a sleek, on-trend leather jacket that the producers are using to attract their female audience. Yes, Dr Chase. I'm looking at you. Though, I suppose I'm not really complaining;)

I've been at hospital for three weeks.
I don't see a Dempsey look-alike accosting me in any empty locker rooms.
Not that I want that, or anything.
It's just an objective observation on the realism of this show. For science.
Ehem.

#### Scrubs

JD (intern, fresh out of med school) is the most relatable main character in any of these shows, and that's probably because he has no idea what he's doing, gets winded climbing a flight of stairs, daydreams too much, is a little too clingy, and internally narrates all his failures—all things I identify with.

Compared to House, though, I've learned a couple of things I can actually use. Don't throw your fellow interns under the bus; if you want to do the horizontal tango with anyone at a hospital, find a room with a door that locks (DISCLAIMER: We do not endorse having sex in hospital, behind locked doors or otherwise); and don't FOR THE LOVE OF GOD start a feud with the nurses. You need them more than they need you, and there are more of them.

But let us pause here for a moment of honesty. I know I'm supposed to make fun of this show, but it's making me feel things. 'I just want to help people,' JD says, staring at a dead patient, and I have tears in my eyes. 'You can't save people from themselves,' Dr Cox says. Great! Now, I'm bawling. This is supposed to be a goddamn comedy. I did not sign up for this.

Well, I hope you med-drama junkies are happy! You have another sheep joining your ranks. Time to go sign away my life and binge-watch the rest of Scrubs.

#### **House MD**

To ease myself into this rabbit hole I've unwittingly gotten myself into, I started with the only doctor drama (not counting Doctor Who) that I've actually tried to watch before. Good ol' House. Doctor of Medicine. Master Diagnostician. And, on occasion, Major D\*uchebag.

Don't get me wrong. He's not a bad guy. Let's just say that, if I listened to him, I wouldn't pass my ICE exams. Lessons learned include:

Don't talk to patients. If you talk to patients, you will get chlamydia and die. Okay, no, House didn't say that last bit. But he does say that I can't trust anything any patient says ever because they are either (a) lying to me, (b) unaware of their status as an adopted child, thus negating their whole past medical history, OR (c) ignorant that their 'cough pills' are actually gout meds. When it comes to their own health, patients know less than Jon Snow. Skills needed to be a true doctor include: being able to identify

mould by smell, dumpster diving,

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#### **Grey's Anatomy**

Today on Grey's Anatomy, we join Meredith Grey (no relation to Christian Grey) during her first days as an intern. I finally know now why this show is called 'Grey's Anatomy'. The main chick's name is Grey and the first scene is literally her naked body on a sofa. Also, this show has to break the record for earliest romantic-entanglement/sexual encounter in a medical drama at timestamp 00:05 of episode 1.

After finally seeing what all the fuss was about, I now know why Grey's Anatomy is the king/queen of all medical dramas: it builds up the highest expectations. Everyday there's a life and death surgery, hospital politics, interns competing to the death for the chance to scrub in, and doctors making out in elevators. Seriously, how do Meredith and Patrick Dempsey have the time and the energy to pash in enclosed spaces every other day?

#### SUBJECT: Fwd: Meet Your Soulmate!

TO: Lonely Hearts Club

SUBJECT: Fwd: Meet Your Soulmate!

FROM: Mashaal Hamayun (II)

Cupid's Arrow @ !!! You've been 6 HIT!

If you are reading this email tomorrow you will find your 🤼 TRUE LOVE 😘

At comidnight your crush will realise how much they are crazy 🦊 👅 🥒 about you .

Between 1pm - 3pm get ready for the biggest surprise 🎉 of your life.

All you have to do in the next  $\overline{\mathbb{X}}$  10 minutes  $\overline{\mathbb{X}}$  is send your crush 💋 one of the messages 🥪 listed below which are 100% GUARANTEED to work. 👌 Really!!!!

If you break this chain you will be cursed with dying alone, and a super painful venereal disease 🜇 🚈

Good Luck 👋 👋

- 1. Are you my appendix? Because I want to take you out! Dayna Duncan
- 2. If I were an enzyme, I'd be DNA helicase so I could unzip your genes. Leo Coleman
- 3. Is your name osteoporosis? Because you're giving me a serious bone condition. Amy Healey
- 4. I think you're suffering from a lack of vitamin ME. Sam Thoo
- 5. Are you my ILP data? Because I want to enter you. Joshua Scott-King
- 6. Pretend I'm endoplasmic reticulum. Do you want me smooth or rough? Eleanor Hall
- 7. You're giving me COPD because you take my breath away. Abeer Khan
- 8. Erythorcytes are red, cyanosis is blue, my erectile tissue engarges with blood when I think of you. - Kieran Pai
- 9. Hey girl you look sick. Do you need some PENIS-illin? Elissa Zhang
- 10. My love for you burns stronger than my gastric reflux. Rachel Wong
- 11. Hey girl, are you the interval between ventricular depolarisation and polarisation? Because you're a QT? - Patrick Dodd
- 12. The femur isn't the longest bone in this body. Nick Chang
- 13. Baby are you a neuron? Because you've definitely got some action potential! Roshi Kan
- 14. You're giving me a syncopal episode because I'm falling for you, Abeer Khan
- 15. Can I call you pia mater? Because you're always on my mind. Eleanor Hall
- 16. Emphysema puffs pink, chronic bronchitis makes you blue, but no COPD makes me as breathless as you. - Rachel Wong
- 17. I do med David Kang



### DREAMS MEMES AND RESUSCITATION TEAMS

COLLECTED BY RACHEL WONG (ii) FROM "HAEMOLYTIC MEMES FOR ANAEMIC TEENS"

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#### Love these chokers





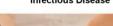
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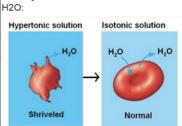
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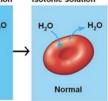








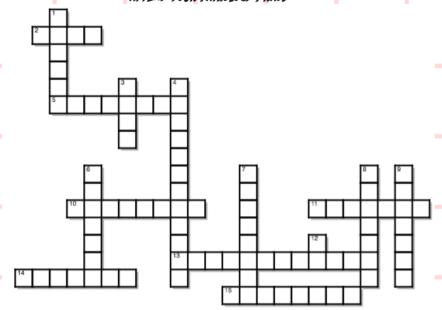




## VELAN PUN GROSSWORD WHERE WE

### BY KAI LUN (ii)

SEE 'THE DR. GARY VELAN APPRECIATION SOCIETY' FOR MORE. OR JUST ATTEND YOUR PATHOLOGY PRACE



## WHERE WE GOME FROM

ALL YOUR STARTER PACK NEEDS BY SOPHIE WORSFOLD (ii)

Today's lunch: Tuesday night's curry or Stock Market?







The prospect exists that I might have to go to Griffith next year...

#### ACROSS

- This class is on anaemia, all others practicals will \_\_\_\_\_ in comparison
- 5 It's rude to \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 Skiing is a dangerous sport... In my opinion it's been going \_\_\_\_\_ for some time
- 1 Scar tissue is nothing to be \_\_\_\_\_ of
- 13 We'll be looking at inflammation today so please excuse me if I make any \_\_\_\_\_\_ remarks
- 14 From our friends at the department of unclear (\_\_\_\_\_\_) medicine
- 15 \*microphone static\* I like \_\_\_\_\_, but this is a bit too much

#### DOWN

If you fail Foundations, you may need to take a \_\_\_\_\_ exam

- 3 I know this class is around lunch time, so I've brought a \_\_\_\_\_ for you all to share
- 4 ...and that can lead to inadequate calcium absorption, which leads to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, also known as osteokualalumpur
- 6 Get home after a long day at the
- 7 This is bronchopneumonia. I call it pneumonia
- 8 There is only one airline in the world which permits smoking, chronic obstructive
- 9 Forgive my grammatical error it is a
  \_\_\_\_\_ cavity so I should
  have put an s
- 12 The sort of diagnostic procedures that youll be learning about include imaging procedures like x-rays, CTs.. they're used in the country by the way Port Macquarie, not just in the

facesook relationship status



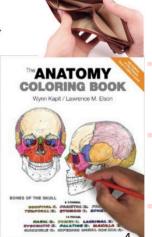




Because my parents said they'd disown me I only went to COFA







Answers to the crossword:
Across: 2-pale, 5-pyknosis, 10-downhill, 11-scarred, 13-inflammatory, 14-nuclear, 15-feedback
Down: 1-makeup, 3-roll, 4-osteomalacia, 6-orofice, 7-brisbane, 8-airways, 9-pleural, 12-CT