

Health Problems Series **Stress**

Quiz Answer Key

Fill in the blank:

- 1. Stress is the body's way of <u>rising to a challenge and preparing to meet a tough situation with focus, strength, stamina, and</u> <u>heightened alertness</u>
- 2. When a person experiences too may pressures over a long period of time, it can cause <u>stress overload</u>
- 3. Events that cause stress are called <u>stressors</u>.

Cross out the one item that doesn't belong in each list:

- 4. Stressors for teens include: having too many things to do in one day, getting ready for tests or school projects, trying out for a sports team, watching a funny movie
- 5. Signs of stress overload include: anxiety, stomach aches, problems sleeping, excessive laughting, moodiness
- 6. Good stress situations include: getting ready for the prom, sitting down to take a final exam, dealing with family problems, coming up to bat in baseball

Make a plan:

7. Using techniques I learned from the TeensHealth.org articles and from my classmates, here are two strategies I'll use to minimize stress the next time I'm feeling stressed-out: (Any two of these: deep breathing, muscle relaxation, visualization, mindfulness, relaxing activities cited by students in class, limit overscheduling, get a good night's sleep, treat my body well, lower expectations, increase physical activity)

Underline true or false:

- 8. <u>True</u> or false: The human body responds to stressors by activating the nervous system and specific hormones.
- 9. <u>True</u> or false: The hormones adrenaline and cortisol speed up heart rate, breathing rate, blood pressure, and metabolism.
- 10. True or false: The stress response is also called the punch or run response.