English / Communication	Accuracy of Word Choice	
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Look carefully at the following sentences with examples of different nouns and verbs.

- What is the German translation of the word?
- Decide if the word is formal or informal.
- Is it used as a verb or a noun?
- Find the formal equivalent for each informal word.
- 1. Then we construct a pathway for a whole new **belly** button.
- 2. George (to Meredith): Look at her belly. </s><s> She's almost as wide as she is tall.
- 3. Unfortunately, she also needs her **belly** explored to evaluate the source of her internal bleeding.
- 4. Chase: Fever and **belly** pain. </s><s> Could be a gall bladder infection.
- 5. Raised her liver enzymes and caused the **belly**ache. </s>< s> House: But not the fever.
- 1. Meredith: He'll be **urinating** out of a bag for a very, very long time.
- 2. Richard: Did you **urinate** in it? </s><s> Larry: No, I what?
- 3. It says here you haven't been able to **urinate** since yesterday. </s><s> Let's take a look.
- 4. Kayla: No. </s><s> Chase: Pain in **urinating**? </s><s> Kayla: No. 99's not that high, is it?
- 5. You have to get up ASAP after surgery. </s><s> Think you can **urinate**?
- 1. Oh and this morning I noticed my **poop** was a funny grayish color.
- 2. I fed him. </s><s> Oh god there's poop everywhere. </s><s> Wait. </s><s>
- 3. ... I won't go bald, get fat, and **poop** my pants.
- 4. And we're just gonna send her home farting and **pooping** uncontrollably for the rest of her life?
- 5. What if she was sloppy about washing her hands after **pooping**?
- 1. You don't believe me? </s><s> Punch me in the **stomach**, right now.
- 2. How long have you been having **stomach** pains?
- 3. Uh, he's really hot and his **stomach**'s hurting so much.
- 4. Arche Katz ... he came down with the **stomach** flu, and they asked me sub in.
- 5. Taub: How's your **stomach**? </s><s> Any diarrhea?
- 1. Mrs. Gibson: I have to **pee**. </s><s> Again. </s><s> (She sits up more and Mr. Gibson stands up to help her get out of bed)
- 2. Do you know he **peed** a little bit every time he coughed?
- 3. Like an incontinent old woman. </s><s> He smelled like **pee**. </s><s>
- 4. Paramedic: Ne, he **peed** all over himself! </s><s>
- 5. He looks down to see that the catheter has come out and he's **peed** his bed.

- 1. Well, of course it is. </s><s> I mean, you don't **puke** blood if it's not serious.
- 2. House: Chase, I need you to head back to that "cesspool" and get me the kid's **puke**.
- 3. You didn't have strep or stomach bug the morning you came in, you **puked** because you were hung over.
- 4. I'm pretty sure Jack's **puke** is in a blue trash bag with the wrapped gifts, but if you find spaghetti, that's the wrong vomit.
- 5. Thank you and, as always, have a pleasant flight. </s><s> [House sits next to Cuddy.] </s><s> House: Still feel like **puking**?
- 1. If there are less than 5 loose **bowel movements** per day then dehydration or electrolyte imbalances are unlikely.
- 2. She had a **bowel movement** no more than once a week even though she consumed large amounts of laxatives.
- 3. Always clean up after a **bowel movement** with wet toilet paper.
- 4. Try to have three **bowel movements** a day.
- 5. He had a **bowel movement** while in the emergency room.
- 1. Do you think I'm pregnant? </s><s> Abby: No. </s><s> The **urine** test came back negative.
- 2. George: I noticed that **urine** output has increased slightly since yesterday.
- 3. I've been emptying **urine** bags all morning.
- 4. No, you'll pollute the sample! </s><s> Chase, get **urine** from the catheter.
- 5. He makes a face as the smell of the **urine** meets his nose.
- 1. Let's intubate! </s><s> Malucci: Not yet, I can bag her, all right? </s><s> Carol: She could **vomit** and aspirate.
- 2. [Lucy coughs again and blood spatters on page; Luke turns as she begins to **vomit** up lots of blood.]
- 3. Eric, lay down... his abdomen is rigid. </s><s> There's blood in his **vomit**
- 4. The amount of **vomiting** that kid did, would be enough toxins left in his system to show up in his blood.
- 5. Izzie: You're a liar. </s><s> And you also smell like **vomit**.
- 1. Diarrhea! </s><s> Blood in the **stool**! </s><s> These are routine questions--
- 2. [Foreman knocks and enters the room.] </s> < s> Foreman: We need a **stool** sample.
- 3. Foreman: **Stool** samples were negative for parasites.
- 4. Split yourselves into 2 groups, test her blood, test her **stool**.
- 5. I asked what you did find in the **stool** sample. </s><s> Foreman: **Stool**. </s><s> And traces of iron, zinc, calcium carbonate, can we leave?

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