Unit #26 Blood

Below is a list of the vocabulary needed to pass this unit with a good score.

angiography
the repair of a blood vessel by stitching
"Angiography was used to stop the leakage of the blood vessel."

angioma
an abnormal growth produced by the formation of new blood vessels
"Angiomas are benign growths which are normally harmless."

angioplasty
surgical repair to widen a blood vessel
"As angioplasties are such common procedures, the risk of complications is minimal."

bypass
an alternative channel from one blood vessel to another to get around a blockage
"The surgeons fitted an artificial bypass during the surgery."

capillaries
small blood vessels
"The red lines on his cheeks and nose indicated that some of the capillaries had burst."

cerebral thrombosis
a blood clot in the brain
"Cerebral thrombosis is an unusual form of stroke as it affects younger people more than older."

clot
a thick mass of liquid stuck together
"A blood clot forms to try to repair damage to a blood vessel."

crossmatch
a blood test to see if a transfusion is possible
"All of the family had a crossmatch test carried out to check for a viable donor."

DVT (deep vein thrombosis)
a venal clot normally occurring in the leg
"The largest risk of deep vein thrombosis is that the clot will move to the heart or brain."

embolus
a blockage formed by a blood clot, foreign object, or other bodily substance getting stuck in a blood vessel
"He takes anticoagulants to prevent an embolus from forming in his lungs."
**erythrocytes**
oxygen carrying cells in the blood
"A deficiency in erythrocytes can cause fatigue and dizziness."

**extravasation**
leakage of blood into tissue
"Redness and blistering are common signs that extravasation is taking place."

**hematemeses**
the vomiting of blood
"Severe loss of blood from hematemesis can cause a patient to go into shock."

**hemorrhage**
an escape of blood from a ruptured blood vessel.
"The injury caused a massive hemorrhage in the brain."

**plasma**
the colorless, fluid part of blood
"Plasma transfusions are used to replace blood proteins and prevent bleeding."

**pulmonary embolism**
a blood clot in the lungs
"Patients with a high likelihood of pulmonary embolisms should undergo diagnostic imaging."

**thrombus**
an unwanted clot formed in the vascular system which reduces the flow of blood
"Smokers have an increased risk of developing an intravascular thrombus."

**uremia**
the accumulation of poisons in the blood after kidney failure
"Chronic kidney disease causes uremia."