Unit #41 Reproduction and Childbirth II

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

**abortion**
the procedure of terminating a pregnancy
"As the doctor had said that the pregnancy was dangerous for the mother, she decided to have an abortion."

**afferent**
moving in a central direction
"Neurons which receive information from our sensory organs and convey this information to the central nervous system are called afferent neurons."

**amniochorial**
of or connected to the tissues around an unborn baby
"Some medications can have negative effects on the integrity of the amniochorial membrane."

**chorion**
the external layer of tissue covering an unborn baby
"The chorion contributes to the formation of placenta."

**convulsion**
a sudden uncontrolled movement of the body
"It's a rare condition where high blood pressure results in severe convulsion during pregnancy."

**dystocia**
an abnormally difficult childbirth
"After 16 hours of dystocia, the baby was successfully delivered."

**fallopian tube**
the pair of tubes in which an egg moves from the ovary to the uterus
"A blocked fallopian tube is a possible cause of female infertility."

**gavage**
the administration of food through a tube into the stomach
"As the infant was too under-developed to feed, he was given a gavage."

**hemorrhoids**
bulging veins in the rectal area
"Hemorrhoids are a common side effect of pregnancy."

**inferior**
toward the lower part of the body
"The ankle is inferior to the knee."
laceration
a deep cut or tear in the skin
"The laceration required 16 stitches."

miscarriage
the loss of an unborn baby from uterus before time
"She attended therapy after the miscarriage."

oral administration
administered by mouth
"These are suppositories and must not be taken by oral administration."

parturition
the action of childbirth
"The weeks following parturition can be difficult for new mothers."

perineum
the area between the anus and the vulva or scrotum
"During childbirth it is common for the perineum to tear."

spasm
a painful muscle contraction
"Her leg began to spasm after she suffered intense cramping."

stenosis
the narrowing of a passageway
"Cervical stenosis is associated with reduced chance of pregnancy."

sterilization
the act of killing all living germs
"Hospitals take sterilization of tools very seriously."

traumatic
causing physical damage
"Cesarians are a more traumatic form of delivery than natural childbirth."

umbilical region
the area surrounding the naval
"Gently clean your baby's umbilical region with a mild soap."