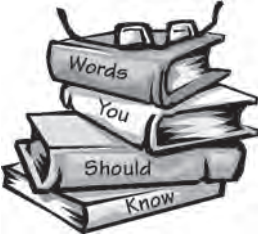


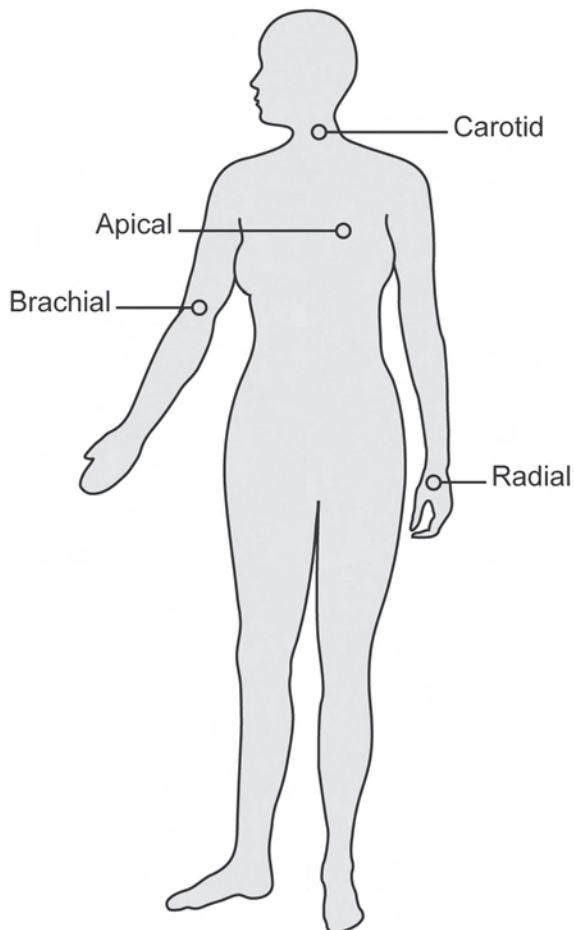
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Objective 3

Locate the pulse points on the human body.



apical—relating to the heart
artery—blood vessels that take blood from the heart to the rest of the body
radial—relating to the wrist
stethoscope—an instrument used to listen to internal body sounds, such as the heartbeat



✓**NOTE:** Pulse can be measured directly over the heart (apical pulse) by using a stethoscope, or by feeling specific arteries in the body.

Figure 3 Pulse Points

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Objective 4

Match the items that describe a pulse with their meanings.

rate—how many times the heart beats per minute

rhythm —how regular or irregular the heart beats

Objective 5

Match the items that describe respiration with their meanings.

rate—how many times the person inhales and exhales in one minute

✓ **NOTE:** One respiration means inhaling once and exhaling once.

rhythm—how regular or irregular the person breathes

