Definitions Exercise

Choose the best definition for each word in bold.

1. The villain exhibited a **malevolent** attitude. **Malevolent** means:
   A. Kind
   B. Angry
   C. Evil
   D. Happy

2. The man had a bad allergy attack, so he took an **antihistamine**. **Antihistamine** means:
   A. A medicine used to block histamines and control allergic reactions
   B. A medicine used to control a fever
   C. A sour-tasting candy
   D. A cloth used to remove dust

3. The face is visible when the **anterior** of the skeleton if viewed. **Anterior** means:
   A. The back
   B. The front
   C. The top
   D. The bottom

4. The patient was relieved when the doctor told her that her cyst was **benign**. **Benign** means:
   A. Malignant
   B. Cancerous
   C. Round
   D. Not malignant
5. Route 46 is an intrastate highway in New Jersey. **Intrastate** means:
   A. Between states
   B. Across states
   C. Within one state
   D. Out of state

6. The doctor’s **misdiagnosis** caused the patient to panic. **Misdiagnosis** means:
   A. Ominous
   B. Incorrect
   C. Correct
   D. Cure

7. The dermatologist had to operate to remove the **subcutaneous** infection. **Subcutaneous** means:
   A. In the hair
   B. In the nails
   C. Under the skin
   D. On the skin

8. The patient was in a coma and was not **cognizant** of what was going on around her.
   **Cognizant** means:
   A. Aware
   B. Unaware
   C. Happy
   D. Despondent
9. After being in the desert for two days, Sam was completely **dehydrated**. **Dehydrated** means:
   A. Hungry
   B. Full
   C. Tired
   D. Without water

10. The **pediatrician** diagnosed the child’s illness. **Pediatrician** means:
    A. A doctor who specializes in feet
    B. A doctor who treats children
    C. A doctor who treats skin problems
    D. A doctor who treats the elderly