



parenteral adjective

par·en·ter·al (pə-'ren-tə-rəl)

: situated or occurring outside the intestine
especially : introduced otherwise than by way of the intestines

(pə-'ren-tə-rə-lē) adverb

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– Nate Trela, *USA TODAY*, 26 Jan. 2024

An investigation by the Texas Medical Board shows that the solution Cleveland received intravenously included total **parenteral** nutrition, or TPN, a potent, concentrated mix of electrolytes that doctors use to feed patients who are physically unable to consume adequate nutrition on their own.

– Erika Edwards, *NBC News*, 1 Jan. 2024

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Etymology

International Scientific Vocabulary *para-* + *enteral*

First Known Use

1906, in the meaning defined [above](#)

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parenteral drug administration by intravenous, intramuscular, or subcutaneous injection

especially : introduced otherwise than by way of the intestines

enteric versus *parenteral* feeding

(-rə-lē) adverb

parenteral ^{2 of 2} noun

: an agent (as a drug or solution) intended for parenteral administration



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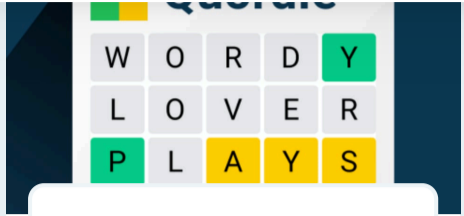
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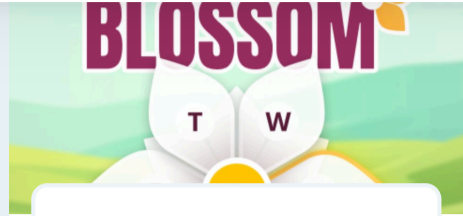
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