

# Cornell Guided Notes

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Name

Period

Date

Lesson

## Lesson focus

Workup components notes

## Key words and questions

## Prepared details and student notes

**Essential question**  
**What is today's target?**

Students take notes on the elements of a new-patient workup and complete the PLTW online task. Big idea: A diagnostic workup is a structured data-collection process: each component answers a different clinical question.

**My notes, examples, and questions**

**Key words**  
**What vocabulary unlocks the lesson?**

- differential diagnosis
- evidence synthesis
- laboratory test
- patient chart
- recommendation

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**Must-know ideas**  
**What should I understand by the end?**

- Patient history, vital signs, bloodwork, and genetic screening each contribute distinct evidence to a differential.
- Normal reference ranges provide the baseline against which abnormal values are identified.
- Evidence synthesis means integrating all data sources into a single ranked differential diagnosis.

**My notes, examples, and questions**

**Process notes**  
**What happens during class?**

- 0-5 min: Warm-up: name one vital sign and what an abnormal reading could suggest.
- 5-30 min: Teacher-led notes: patient history, vital signs, and bloodwork components with reference ranges.
- 30-45 min: Notes continued: genetic screening data, how each source maps to differential candidates.
- 45-55 min: Define evidence synthesis; practice combining two data points into one diagnostic statement.
- 55-75 min: PLTW online activity on building a diagnostic workup (individual, self-paced).
- 75-80 min: Exit check: list the four workup components from memory.

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#### Steps and evidence What do I do and turn in?

- Annotate notes on patient history, vital signs, bloodwork, and genetic screening.
- Record normal reference ranges for core vital signs and common labs.
- Map how each data source contributes to a differential diagnosis.
- Define evidence synthesis as combining findings into one coherent picture.
- Complete the assigned PLTW online activity on building a diagnostic workup.

Evidence: Notebook check - Annotated notes mapping each workup component to the clinical question it answers, with one example reference range per component.

#### My notes, examples, and questions

#### Checks for understanding How do I know I got it?

- List the four workup components and the data each provides.
- Submit the PLTW online task fully completed.

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#### Lab or safety notes What must I handle carefully?

No special lab safety notes today. Follow normal classroom and digital-work expectations.

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### Summary

Today's lesson focused on Workup components notes. The main target was: Students take notes on the elements of a new-patient workup and complete the PLTW online task. The evidence of learning is Notebook check: Annotated notes mapping each workup component to the clinical question it answers, with one example reference range per component.. In my own words, the most important idea from today is:

**My summary**

**My final question or connection**