

Def:

Health: The mental, physical & social wellbeing of a person, not just the absence of disease (& suitably housed)

Disease: Any disorder or malfunctioning of the body

Parasite: An organism living in or on another living organism, causing harm to its host and gaining nutrition

Pathogen: A disease causing microorganism

Types of disease

Physical: when a physical structure is damaged or changed & no longer functions.
eg. arthritis

Mental: abnormal functioning or a changed state of the brain. (eg alzheimer's)

Social: caused by social conditions, ie. poverty, wealth, overpopulation

Infectious: conditions caused by other living organisms

Inherited: due to gene / chromosome mutation
eg huntington's disease

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Good health:

- * free from disease
- * carry out all physical tasks
- * well fed, balanced diet
- * happy
- * suitably housed
- * well integrated into society