

deposition	cadaverous	pare	ballsy	on an even keel
percolate	tibia	cordon off	crutch	unflappable

**Exercise A: Match the words with their meaning**

- (informal, sometimes offensive) very tough or brave. \_\_\_\_\_
- a formal statement that is made before a trial by a witness who will not be present at the trial. \_\_\_\_\_
- a long stick with a padded piece at the top that fits under a person's arm.  
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- looking very thin and pale; resembling a corpse. \_\_\_\_\_
- not easily upset; unusually calm in difficult situations. \_\_\_\_\_
- strong and not likely to fail or get worse. \_\_\_\_\_
- the bone that forms the front part of the leg between the knee and the ankle ; shinbone \_\_\_\_\_
- to carefully cut off the outside or the ends of something. \_\_\_\_\_
- to pass slowly through something that has many holes in it / to spread slowly  
\_\_\_\_\_
- to prevent people from getting into an area by putting a line of people or objects around it or in front of it \_\_\_\_\_

**Exercise B: Place the words in the gaps. You may need to change the form of the word or use a derivative.**

- He has a reputation for being \_\_\_\_\_ even under the most stressful situations.
- He was an alcoholic who had \_\_\_\_\_ away everything good in his life / She was \_\_\_\_\_ her fingernails.
- I was on \_\_\_\_\_ for six weeks after I broke my leg. /She eventually realized that alcohol had become a \_\_\_\_\_
- I'm trying to get back \_\_\_\_\_ now that the lawsuit is settled.
- She gave a videotaped \_\_\_\_\_ about what she saw that night.
- She is quite a \_\_\_\_\_ lawyer. / He made a \_\_\_\_\_ attempt to sneak out of the house.
- The jagged end of his broken \_\_\_\_\_ could be seen through the torn skin.
- The police \_\_\_\_\_ the street trying to keep protesters way from the building.
- The water \_\_\_\_\_ through the sand / Rumors \_\_\_\_\_ through the town.
- We saw a \_\_\_\_\_ heroin addict sitting in the park.

**Key**

A

1. ballsy /'bɔ:lzi/ που έχει κότσια
2. deposition /di:prə'ziʃ(ə)n/ κατάθεση
3. crutch /krʌtʃ/ πατερίτσα, δεκανίκι
4. cadaverous /kə'dævnərəs/ πετσί και κόκκαλο
5. unflappable /'ʌn'flæpəbl/ ατάραχος
6. on an even keel /ki:l/ σε ισορροπία
7. tibia /'tɪbiə/ κνήμη
8. pare /preə/ ξεφλουδίζω, περικόπτω
9. percolate /'pɜ:kəleɪt/ φιλτράρω, διαχαίομαι
10. cordon off /'kɔ:dn/ αποκλείω (με αστυνομικό κλοιό)

B

1. unflappable
2. pared/paring
3. crutches/crutch
4. on an even keel
5. deposition
6. ballsy / ballsy
7. tibia
8. cordoned off
9. percolated / percolated
10. cadaverous