Blood Clots, Polymers and Strokes Worksheet

- 1. Explain the relationship between a monomer and a polymer.
- 2. How and why are blood clots formed?
- 3. List three ways that a blood vessel can be blocked.
- 4. What is a stroke and why is it harmful?
- 5. Match the following with their definitions/functions.

embolism	Clot blocking blood flow to the brain.
thrombosis	Tool inserted into a blocked vessel in order to suck out a clot.
ischemic stroke	Device inserted into a blocked vessel in order to pull out a clot.
hemorrhagic stroke	An object that travels through vessels and prevents blood flow.
Merci Retrieval System	Bleeding in the brain.
Penumbra System	An abnormally growing clot that cuts off blood flow.

- A person has a stroke and then has difficulty speaking.
 The stroke likely occurred in the ______.
- 7. A person has a stroke and then has difficulty writing.
 The stroke likely occurred in the _______.