Set	% FEV ₁	% FVC	FEV ₁ /	% TLC	% DLCO
1	83	89	93	92	85
2	58	62	93	68	54
3	52	80	65	110	65
4	55	87	63	100	88
5	57	87	65	70	68
6	66	72	92	75	33

Set 1: Normal PFTs

Case: A 35-year-old non-smoking male presents for a routine physical examination. He is asymptomatic, with no shortness of breath, cough, or wheezing. He is physically active, exercises regularly, and has no history of lung disease.

PFT Results:

• FEV₁: 83% of predicted

• FVC: 89% of predicted

• FEV₁/FVC: 93%

• TLC: 92%

DLCO: 85%

Question:

How would you interpret these PFT results?

Answer: Normal pulmonary function.

Set 2: Restrictive Pattern with Reduced DLCO

Case: A 60-year-old female with a history of systemic sclerosis presents with progressive shortness of breath and a dry, non-productive cough. She denies wheezing or chest pain. A high-resolution CT shows reticular opacities and honeycombing in the lung bases.

PFT Results:

• FEV₁: 58% of predicted

FVC: 62% of predicted

FEV₁/FVC: 93%

TLC: 68%

DLCO: 54%

Question:

What is the most likely diagnosis based on these findings?

Answer: Restrictive lung disease, likely due to interstitial lung disease (ILD) secondary to systemic sclerosis.

<u>Set 3: Obstructive Pattern with Hyperinflation</u>

Case: A 65-year-old male with a 40-pack-year smoking history presents with chronic cough, sputum production, and worsening dyspnea.

PFT Results:

FEV₁: 52% of predicted

• FVC: 80% of predicted

• FEV₁/FVC: 65%

• TLC: 110%

DLCO: 65%

Question:

What is the most likely diagnosis based on these findings?

Answer: COPD with emphysematous changes (obstructive pattern with hyperinflation and reduced DLCO).

<u>Set 4: Obstructive Pattern with Preserved DLCO</u>

Case: A 30-year-old female presents with intermittent wheezing, shortness of breath, and nocturnal symptoms. She reports using her rescue inhaler several times per week.

PFT Results:

FEV₁: 55% of predicted

FVC: 87% of predicted

FEV₁/FVC: 63%

TLC: 100%

DLCO: 88%

Question:

What is the most likely diagnosis based on these findings?

Answer: Asthma (obstructive pattern with preserved DLCO, which is typical for asthma).

Set 5: Obstructive Lung Disease with Reduced TLC

Case: A 50-year-old male is referred to the pulmonology clinic from the bariatric clinic for preoperative evaluation and optimization of his respiratory condition. He has a known history of asthma.

PFT Results:

FEV₁: 57% of predicted

• FVC: 87% of predicted

FEV₁/FVC: 65%

TLC: 70%

• DLCO: 68%

Question:

What is the most likely diagnosis based on these findings?

Answer: Mixed obstructive and restrictive lung disease, likely due to obesity and asthma.

Set 6: Isolated Low DLCO with Mild Restriction

Case: A 55-year-old male with a history of lymphoma for which he received chemotherapy, presents with fatigue and exertional dyspnea. He denies wheezing or productive cough.

PFT Results:

FEV₁: 66% of predicted

FVC: 72% of predicted

FEV₁/FVC: 92%

TLC: 75%

DLCO: 33%

Question:

What is the most likely diagnosis based on these findings?

Answer: Pulmonary fibrosis due to chemotherapy (mild restriction with significantly reduced DLCO).