Health, medicine and exercise

Telling the doctor what is wrong with you

I feel sick/tired.
My neck/leg/back hurts.
I've got toothache/earache/a cough.
I keep getting earache/headaches.

At the doctor's

Doctor Good morning. What can I do for you? Amanda I keep getting headaches. Doctor Do you have a cough? Amanda No, but I feel a bit sick. Doctor Do you eat well and take plenty of exercise? Amanda I try to, but I feel too tired to do any exercise. I see. And are you drinking plenty of water? Doctor Amanda No, I never drink water. I prefer coffee. Doctor That may be the problem. Everyone needs to drink water. You should try to have at least five glasses every day. If you do that, your headaches will probably stop. Amanda OK, I'll try. Thank you, Dr Kennedy.



Good to know!

In the word cough, 'ou' is said like the 'o' in 'hot', and 'gh' is said like the 'f' in 'fish'.

Words for talking about health, medicine and exercise

baby	Noun A baby is a very young child.
back	NOUN A person's or anilmal's back is the part of their body between their head and their legs.
body	NOUN A person's or animal's body is all their physical parts.
cold	NOUN If you have a cold , you have an illness that makes liquid flow from your nose, and makes you cough.
cough	NOUN A cough is an illness in which you suddenly force air out of your throat with a noise.
cut	VERB If you cut yourself, you accidentally injure yourself on a sharp object so that you bleed.
doctor	NOUN A doctor is a person whose job is to treat people who are sick or injured.
Dr	NOUN Dr is the title that goes before the name of a doctor.
earache	Noun If you have earache, you have a pain inside your ear.
exercise	NOUN Exercise is movements you do to keep your body healthy and strong.
headache	NOUN If you have a headache, you have a pain in your head.
health	NOUN Your health is the condition of your body and the extent to which you are fit and well.
hear	VERB When you hear a sound, you become aware of it through your ears.
hospital	NOUN A hospital is a place where doctors and nurses care for people who are sick or injured.
hurt	VERB If you hurt someone or something, you make them feel pain, and if a part of you body hurts, you feel pain there.
leg	NOUN A person's or animal's legs are the long parts of their body that they use to stand on.
medicine	NOUN Medicine is the treatment of illness and injuries by doctors and nurses.
neck	NOUN Your neck is the part of your body between your head and the rest of your body
nurse	NOUN A nurse is a person whose job is to care for people who are sick.
problem	NOUN A problem is something that causes difficulties, or that makes you worry.
sick	1 ADJECTIVE If you are sick , you are ill. 2 ADJECTIVE If you feel sick , you feel as though food might come up from your stomach
tired	ADJECTIVE If you are tired, you feel that you want to rest or sleep.
tooth	NOUN Your teeth are the hard white objects in your mouth, that you use for biting and eating. One of these is called a tooth .
toothache	NOUN If you have toothache, you have a pain in your tooth.

Exercise 1

Rearrange the letters to find words. Use the definitions to help you.

1 ecrisexe	(go running, for example)
2 lopshiat	(the place to go when you are sick)
3 besiab	(very small people)
4 dybo	(swimming is good for your)
5 snuer	(this person helps you when you are sick)
6 ahre	(when you have earache, you sometimes can't do this)

Exercise 2

Match the sentences with the pictures.

1 I've got toothache.

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2 I've got earache.

3 I've got a cough.

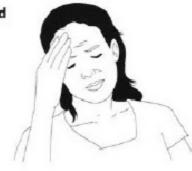
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4 I've got a headache.



d



5 I've got a cold.



f



6 I've got a new baby!

Exercise 3

For each question, tick the correct answer.

- 1 If I study for a long time I get a
 - headache.
 - neck.
- 2 When you go out in the rain, you can get
 - ☐ tired.
 - a cold.
- 3 See the doctor when you have a
 - problem.
 - tired.

- 4 I've hurt my
 - aearache.
 - neck.
- 5 I can't go out because I am
 - ☐ sick.
 - ☐ toothache.
- 6 Today, I want to do some
 - a exercise.
 - cough.

Exercise 4

Match the two parts.

1 My teeth hurt. I've got a ea	
2 I'm coughing a lot. I've got	b tired.
3 Dr Thorne works very hard. She often feels	c sick.
4 I've cut my arm. I want to see	d toothache.
5 late something bad. feel	e a cold.
6 That music was very loud. I've got	f a doctor.

Exercise 5

Find the words that do not belong, as shown.

1 doctor	nurse	cough		
2 baby	cold	headache		
3 sick	exercise	tired		
4 problem	neck	tooth		
5 cough	toothache	hear		
6 hospital	cut	hurt		

Exercise 6

Put the correct word or words in each gap, as shown.

neck nurse doctor	toothache	sick	exercise	tired	hospital
1 a person	doctor				
2 a place					
3 part of the body					
4 how you feel					
5 something you can do					
6 a problem with your teeth _		_			