

# Illness and treatment

VOCABULARY BANK

## 1 Symptoms

a Match the words and pictures.

He has / He's got...

a temperature /'tempərətʃə/.

a cough /kɒf/.

a headache (tearache,

stomach ache, etc.).

a rash.

1 a **blister**.

a pain (in his chest).



He's being sick.

She's sneezing a lot.

Her finger is bleeding.

His ankle is swollen.

Her back hurts / aches.



b Match the sentences.

1 She's **unconscious** /ʌn'kɒnʃəs/.

2 She has a sore throat.

3 She has **diarrhoea** /,daɪə'riə/.

4 She feels sick.

5 She **fainted**.

6 She feels **dizzy**.

A She's been to the toilet five times this morning.

B She's breathing but her eyes are closed and she can't hear or feel anything.

C She wants to be sick / vomit.

D It was so hot on the train that she lost consciousness.

E She feels that everything is spinning round.

F It hurts when she talks or swallows food.

## 2 Illnesses and injuries

Match the illnesses / conditions with their causes or symptoms.

1 He has **flu**.

2 He's **caught a cold**.

3 He is **allergic** to cats.

4 He has **asthma** /'æsmə/.

5 He has **high (low) blood pressure** /'bləd'preʃə/.

6 He's had a **heart attack**.

7 He's had a **stroke**.

8 He has **food poisoning**.

9 He's **twisted / sprained** his ankle.

10 He's **burnt** himself.

11 He has a **bruise** on his toe.

A It's 150 over 100.

B He was overweight, a smoker, and very highly stressed.

C His right side is paralysed and he can't speak.

D He ate some prawns that weren't fresh.

E He's sneezing a lot and he has a cough.

F He dropped a chair on it and now there's a blue mark.

G He has difficulty breathing.

H He starts sneezing as soon as he's near one.

I He's got a temperature and his body aches.

J He touched the iron when it was on.

K He fell badly and now it's swollen.

## 3 Treatment

Write the missing word in the treatment column.

bandage /'bændɪdʒ/ injection medicine operation rest specialist stitches X-ray

Go to the doctor's (GP). He / she may tell you to...

1 take some \_\_\_\_\_ e.g. **antibiotics** /æntɪ'bɪə'tɪks/ or **painkillers**.

2 stay at home and \_\_\_\_\_

3 go to hospital to see a \_\_\_\_\_

Go to hospital / to A & E (Accident and Emergency). You may have to...

4 have an \_\_\_\_\_ or **scan** to see if anything is broken.

5 have \_\_\_\_\_ if you have a very **deep cut**.

6 have an \_\_\_\_\_, when a **drug** is put into your body through a **needle**.

7 have a \_\_\_\_\_ put on to keep the **wound** /wʊnd/ clean.

8 have an \_\_\_\_\_, when part of your body is cut open to remove or repair a damaged part.

Can you remember the words on this page? Test yourself or a partner. p.12

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