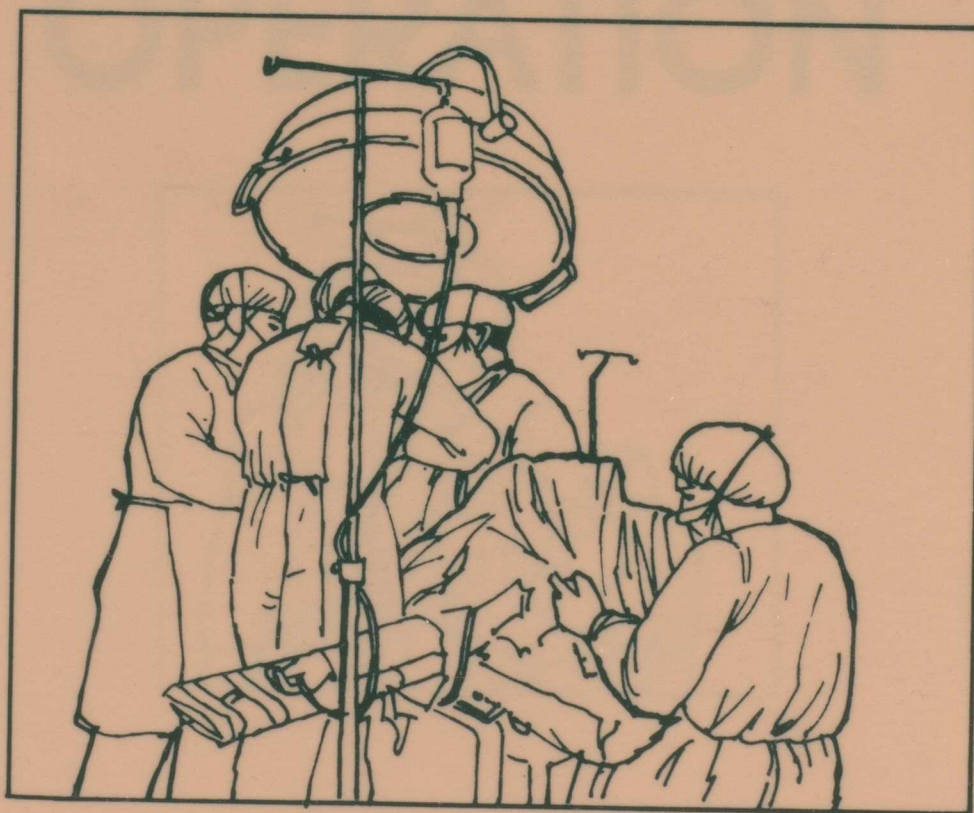



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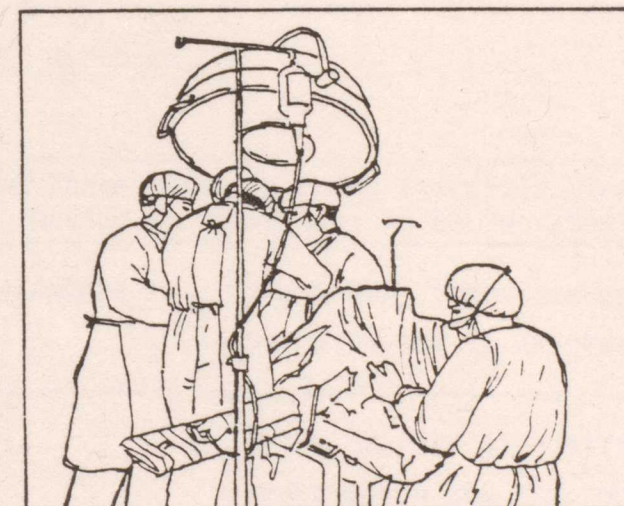
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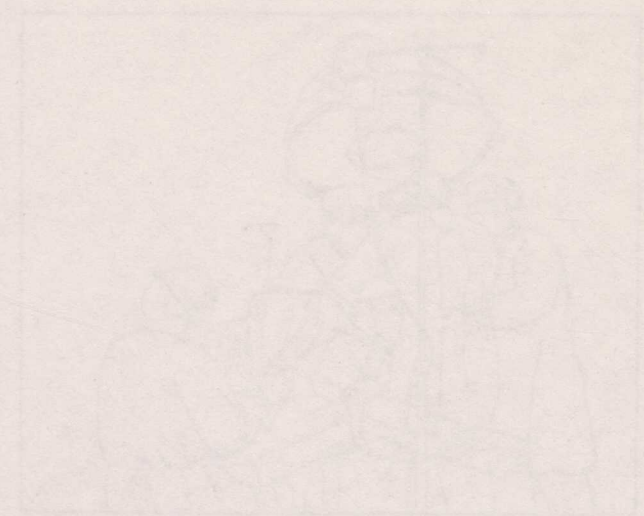
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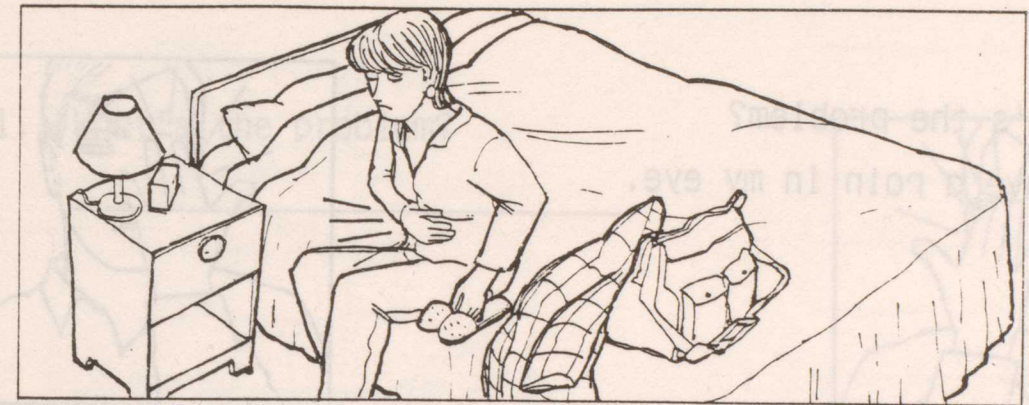
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## Exercise 1

## Sue's Problem

Read the story and answer the questions.



Sue has a pain in her stomach. She is having trouble with her gall bladder. She needs an operation. Right now she is packing her robe and slippers. Tomorrow she is going to the hospital.

1. Where is Sue's pain?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. What is she having trouble with?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. What does she need?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. What is she doing now?

\_\_\_\_\_

5. Where is she going tomorrow?

\_\_\_\_\_



Exercise 2      Health Problems

Read and practise the questions and answers.

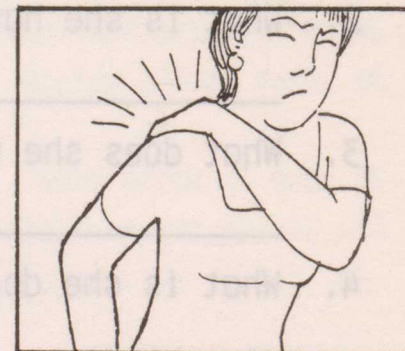
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I have a pain in my eye.



2. What's the problem?  
I have a pain in my arm.



3. What's the problem?  
I have a pain in my shoulder.



4. What's the problem?  
I have a pain in my knee.



Exercise 3      Health Problems

Answer the questions.

1. What's the problem?

\_\_\_\_\_



2. What's the problem?

\_\_\_\_\_



3. What's the problem?

\_\_\_\_\_



4. What's the problem?

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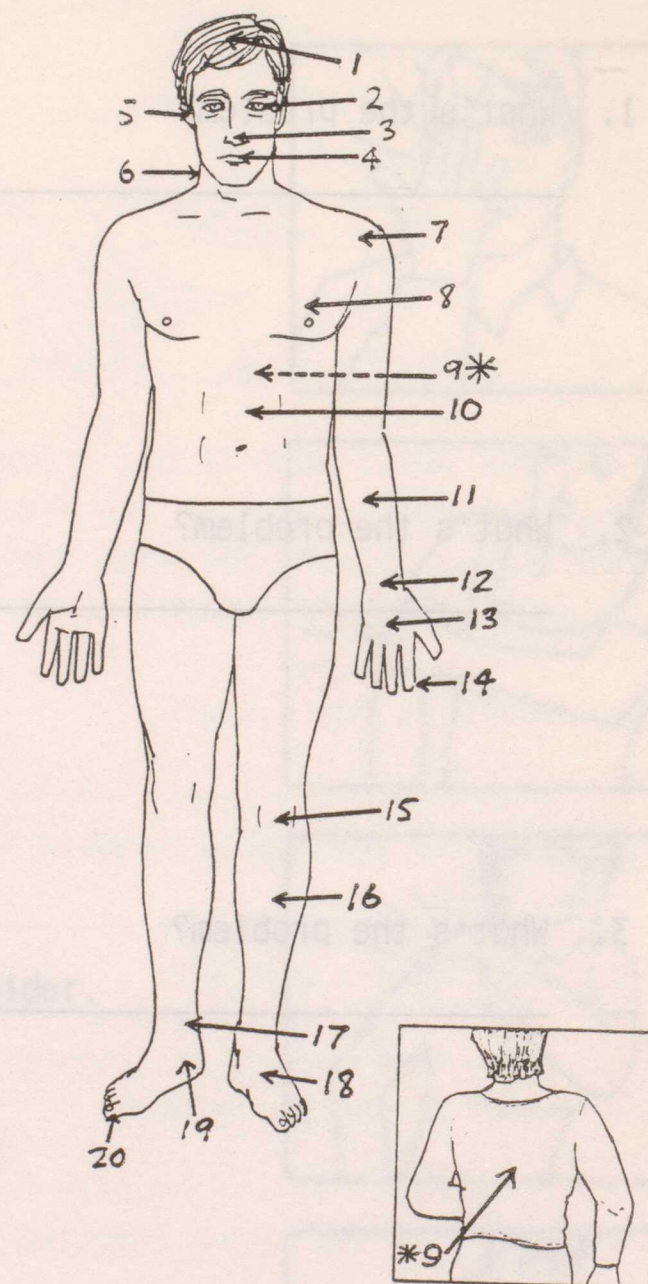




# Exercise 4      Parts of the Body

Practise the words.

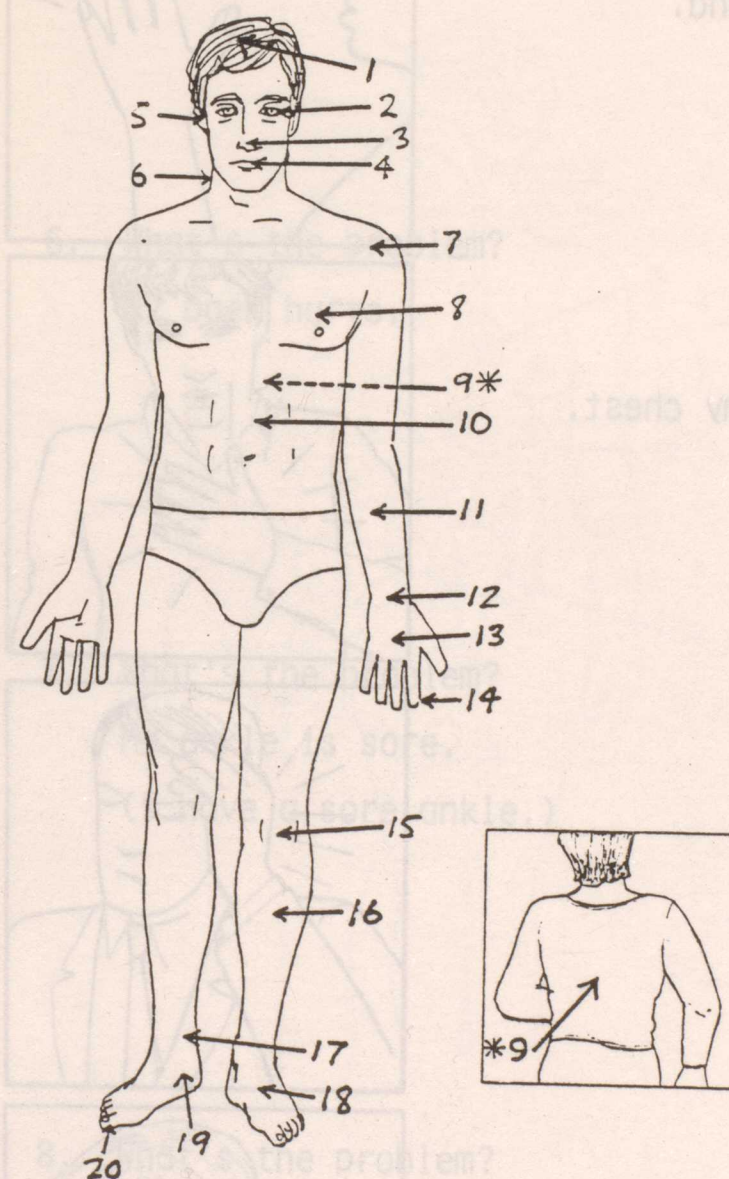
- 1 head
- 2 eye
- 3 nose
- 4 mouth
- 5 ear
- 6 neck
- 7 shoulder
- 8 chest
- 9 back
- 10 abdomen\*
- 11 arm
- 12 wrist
- 13 hand
- 14 finger
- 15 knee
- 16 leg
- 17 ankle
- 18 foot
- 19 heel
- 20 toe



\*abdomen - often called stomach

# Exercise 5      Parts of the Body

Write the correct words on the lines.



- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 \_\_\_\_\_
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knee	leg	finger	foot	heel
arm	ear	nose	chest	mouth
back	eye	shoulder	wrist	ankle
toe	neck	hand	head	abdomen

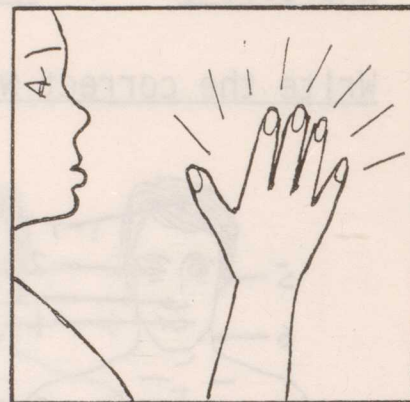


## Exercise 6 Health Problems

Practise the questions and answers.

1. What's the problem?

I have a pain in my hand.



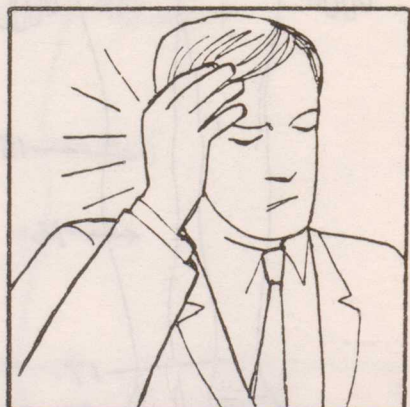
2. What's the problem?

I have a bad pain in my chest.



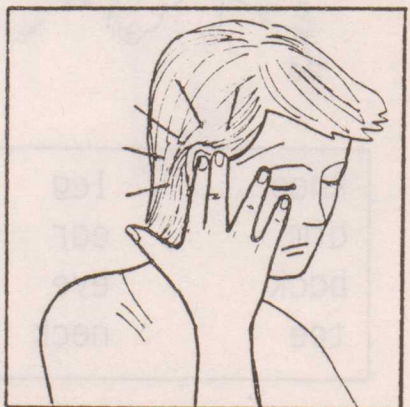
3. What's the problem?

I have a \*head-ache.



4. What's the problem?

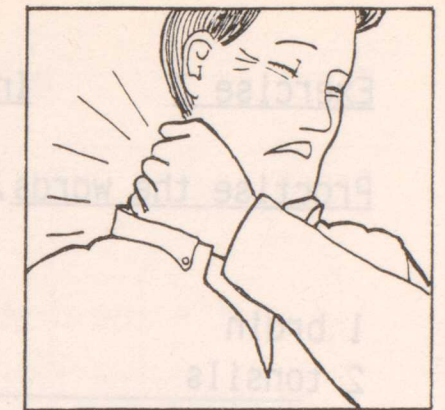
I have a bad \*ear-ache.



\*ache - only with head-ache  
ear-ache  
tooth-ache  
back-ache  
stomach-ache

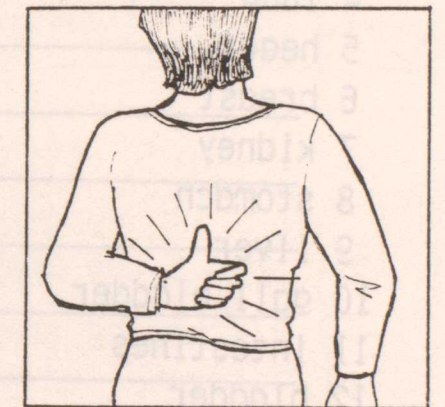
5. What's the problem?

My neck hurts.



6. What's the problem?

My back hurts.



7. What's the problem?

My ankle is sore.

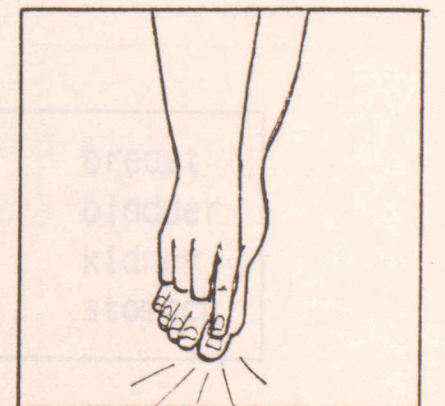
(I have a sore ankle.)



8. What's the problem?

My toe is sore.

(I have a sore toe.)

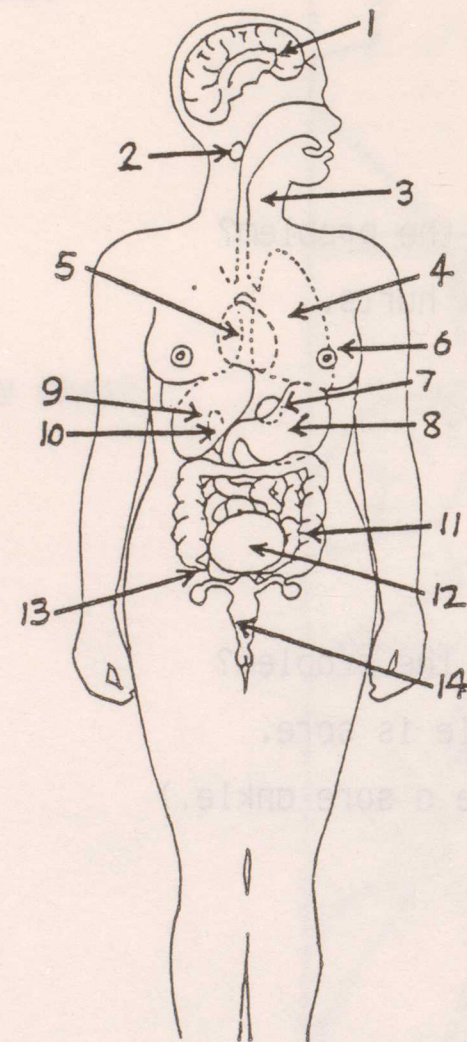




# Exercise 7      Inside the Body

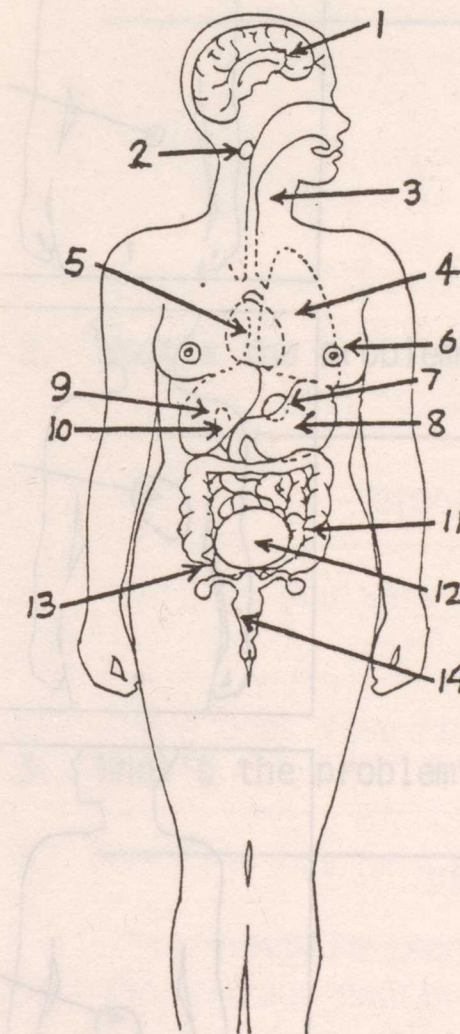
Practise the words.

- 1 brain
- 2 tonsils
- 3 throat
- 4 lung
- 5 heart
- 6 breast
- 7 kidney
- 8 stomach
- 9 liver
- 10 gall bladder
- 11 intestines
- 12 bladder
- 13 appendix
- 14 uterus



# Exercise 8      Inside the Body

Write the correct words on the lines.



- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 \_\_\_\_\_
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- 12 \_\_\_\_\_
- 13 \_\_\_\_\_
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liver	throat	gall bladder	breast
brain	uterus	appendix	bladder
heart	lung	intestines	kidney
	tonsils		stomach

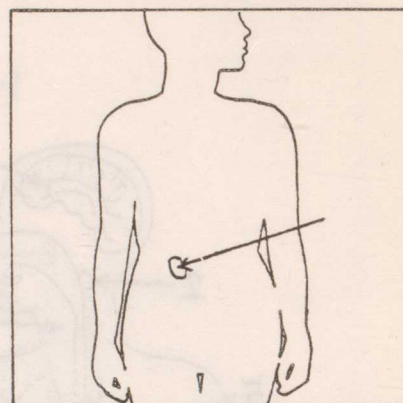


## Exercise 9 Health Problems

Practise the questions and answers.

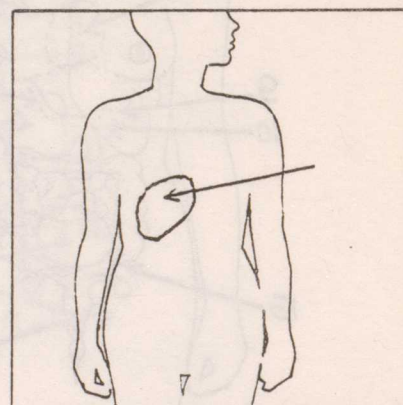
1. What's the problem?

I'm having trouble with my  
gall bladder.



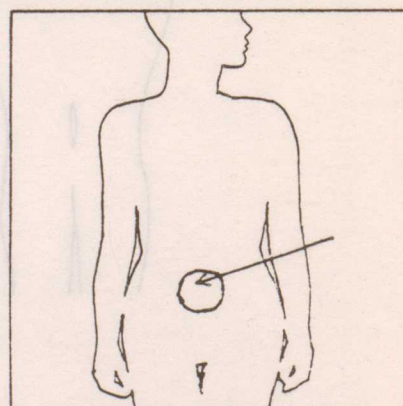
2. What's the problem?

I'm having trouble with my liver.



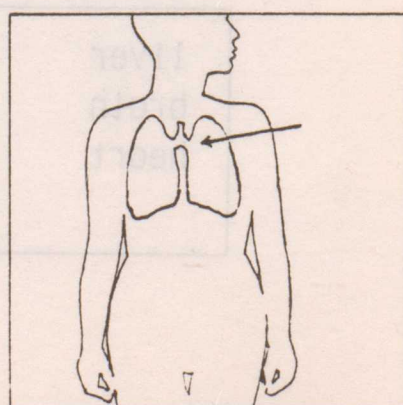
3. What's the problem?

I'm having trouble with my  
bladder.



4. What's the problem?

I'm having trouble with my  
lungs.

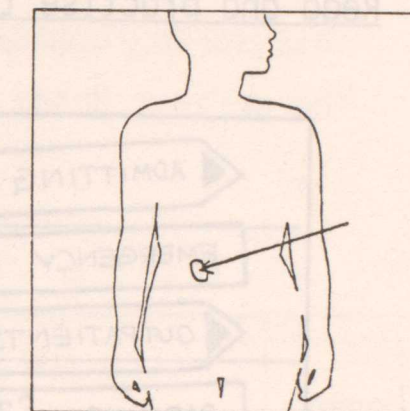


## Exercise 10 Health Problems

Answer the questions.

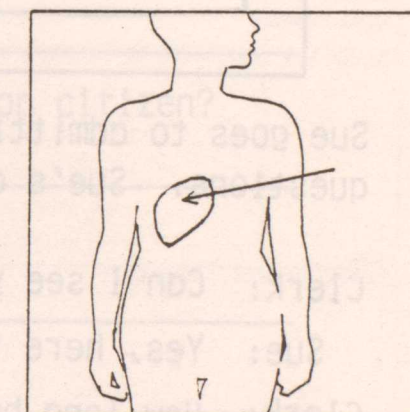
1. What's the problem?

\_\_\_\_\_



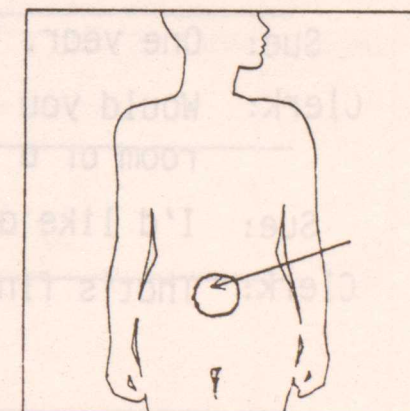
2. What's the problem?

\_\_\_\_\_



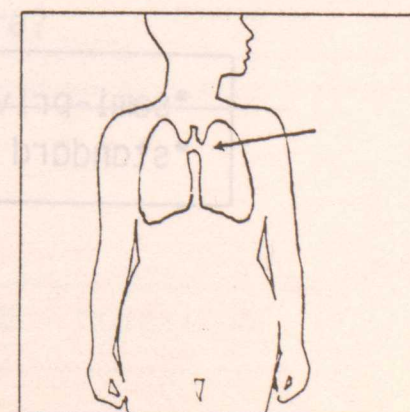
3. What's the problem?

\_\_\_\_\_



4. What's the problem?

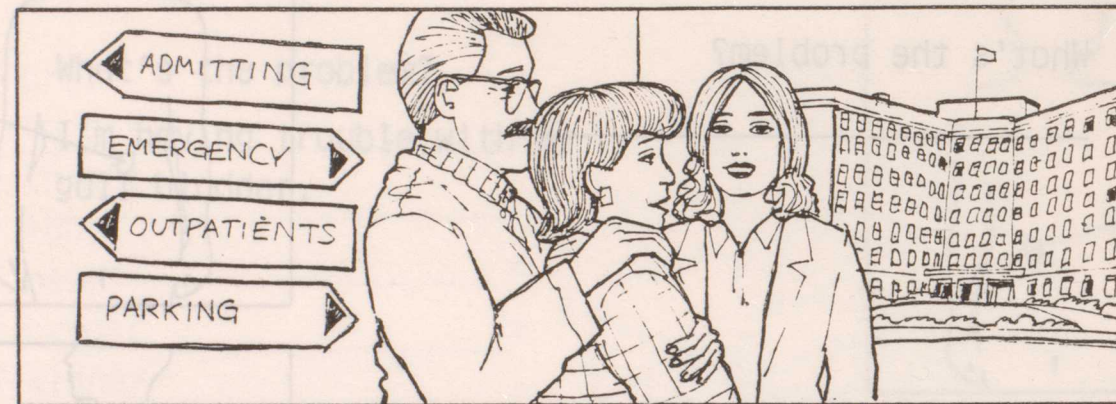
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Exercise 11 Sue Arrives at the Hospital

Read and practise the story and conversation.



Sue goes to admitting first. The admitting clerk asks many questions. Sue's cousin helps her with the English.

Clerk: Can I see your medical card, please?

Sue: Yes, here it is.

Clerk: How long have you lived in B.C.?

Sue: One year.

Clerk: Would you like a private room, a \*semi-private room or a \*standard room?

Sue: I'd like a standard room, please.

Clerk: That's fine. You need to pay now, please.

\*semi-private - 2 patients  
\*standard - 4 patients

Exercise 12 At Admitting

Here are some more questions to practise.

1. What's your name?

2. What's your address?

3. How long have you lived at this address?

4. Are you a landed immigrant or a Canadian citizen?

5. Do you work?

6. Where do you work?

7. Where does your husband work?

8. How long has he worked there?

9. Who is your nearest living relative?

10. Have you ever been a patient here before?



Exercise 13 Admission Forms

This is an \*admission form. The nurse will fill it in.  
The patient needs to read and sign it. Read and practise it.

PATIENT - NAME, ADDRESS		PREVIOUS SURNAME	DATE OF BIRTH	SEX	AGE	SERVICE	LOCATION	BY
SINCE		POSTAL CODE	RELIGION		MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME		ATTENDING DOCTOR	
NEAREST LIVING RELATIVE - NAME, ADDRESS		ADMISSION CATEGORY		PATIENT TYPE		MSC NO.		
RELATIONSHIP		DIAGNOSIS						
EMPLOYER - NAME, ADDRESS		TRANSFERRER FROM REFERENCE						
OCCUPATION		HISTORY OF ACCIDENT						
PREVIOUS ADDRESS		MEDICAL COVERAGE						

\*admission - admitting

Exercise 14 Admission Forms

This is a \*consent form. The patient needs to read and sign it. Read and practise it.

ADMISSION CONSENT TO DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT AND CARE
I, the undersigned, do hereby authorize the physicians, the hospital staff and employees of _____ (and persons authorized by such other institutions as may be requested by _____) to carry out examinations, procedures and treatment deemed necessary and advisable for the diagnosis, treatment and continuing care of _____
_____ Patient
Signed: _____ Patient or person legally authorized to give consent
Relationship to Patient: _____
Witness: _____
Print Name and Position _____
_____/_____/_____, hours (Date and Time of Consent should be clearly given).

\*consent - permission



Exercise 15      Admission Forms

This form is for \*valuables.  
Read and practise it.

**NOTICE RE PATIENTS' EFFECTS AND VALUABLES**

1. THE HOSPITAL WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ITEM LEFT AT THE BEDSIDE.
2. While in Hospital, you may undergo medical procedures and treatment for which you must leave your bedside and cannot wear jewelry. Therefore, for your own protection, valuable articles and clothing should be returned home at the time of admission.
3. If you find it absolutely necessary to retain in the Hospital articles of value please have them deposited with the Accounting office for safekeeping.
4. Valuables may be retrieved during Accounting office hours. If your discharge is planned on any other time, please ensure that they are retrieved on the preceding day.
5. Dentures, eyeglasses, hearing aids or other personal effects should be stored in a proper container available on the nursing unit. DO NOT wrap them in a tissue and/or place them where they could be mistaken for something else.
6. Articles left in hospital after discharge, if not claimed within 3 months, will be disposed of at the discretion of the Hospital.

Acknowledged by Patient \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*valuables - money or jewelry

Exercise 16      Admission Forms

This form gives consent for an operation.  
Read and practise it.

**AUTHORIZATION FOR SURGICAL OPERATION  
OR DESIGNATED SPECIAL PROCEDURE  
OR TREATMENT**

Re: \_\_\_\_\_  
(If Name of Patient)

With regard to the above-named patient, I, the undersigned, do hereby consent to:

(A) Treatment with \_\_\_\_\_  
(Treatment)  
under the direction of \_\_\_\_\_, M.D./D.D.S.

OR: -

(B) The surgical operation or special procedure of \_\_\_\_\_  
under the direction of \_\_\_\_\_, M.D./D.D.S.

The nature and anticipated effects of such treatment, surgical operation or special procedure as detailed in A or B above have been explained to me by Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ and I understand the explanation.

I also authorize such additional or alternative treatment, surgical operations or special procedures as, in the opinion of the physician or dentist named in the first paragraph, are immediately necessary.

I further agree that, at his or her discretion, the physician or dentist named in the first paragraph may make use of other surgeons, physicians, dentists and hospital medical staff working under his direction, in the performance of all or part of the surgical operation or special procedure.

I also consent to the administration of anaesthesia and to the use of such anaesthetics as may be deemed advisable by the anaesthetist.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_

Time \_\_\_\_\_

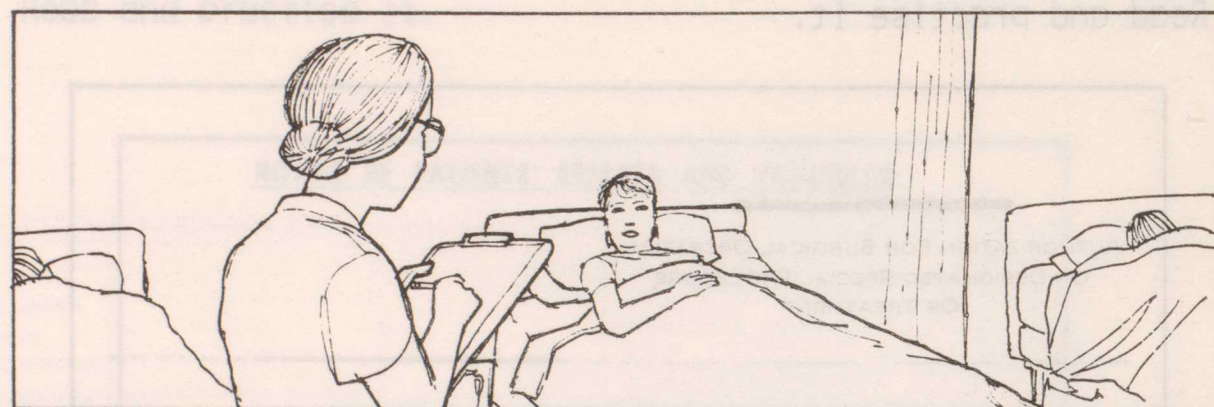
Signed \_\_\_\_\_



## Exercise 17

## In Sue's Room

Read and practise the story and conversation.



Sue is in a room with three other women. A nurse comes to talk to Sue and ask some medical questions.

Nurse: What kind of operation are you having?

Sue: I'm having a gall bladder operation.

Nurse: Are you in pain?

Sue: Yes.

Nurse: Where is the pain?

Sue: Right here.

Nurse: Have you ever had \*surgery before?

Sue: No, I haven't.

Nurse: Okay. A doctor will be here soon to examine you. Please put your hospital gown on.  
'Bye now.

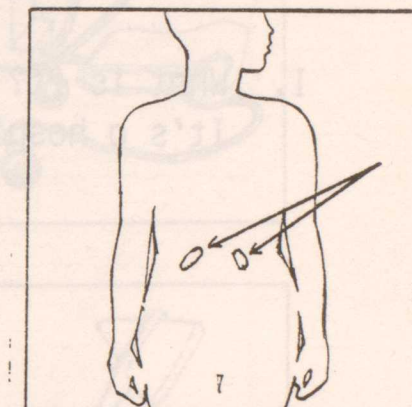
\*surgery means an operation

## Exercise 18

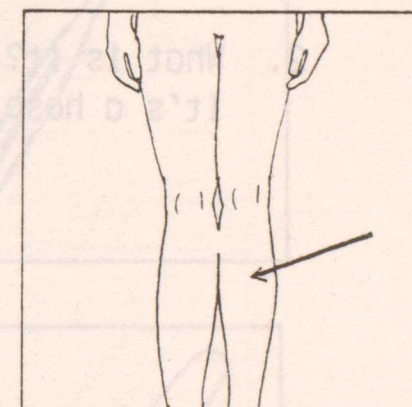
## Operations

Read and practise the questions and answers.

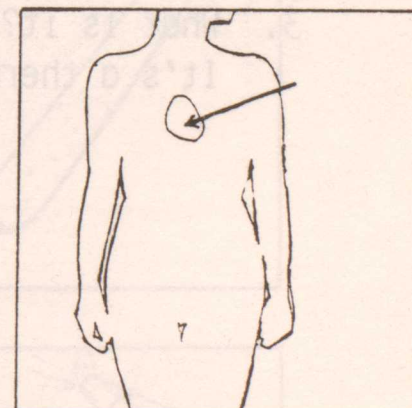
1. What kind of operation are you having?  
I'm having a kidney operation.



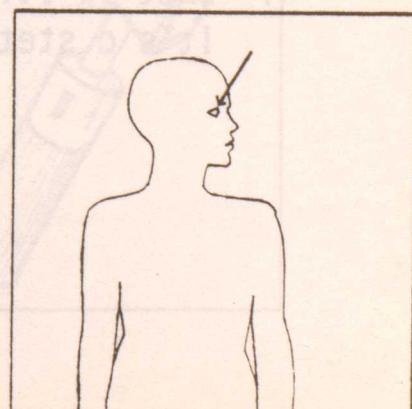
2. What kind of operation are you having?  
I'm having an operation on my legs.



3. What kind of surgery are you having?  
I'm having heart surgery.



4. What kind of surgery are you having?  
I'm having eye surgery.



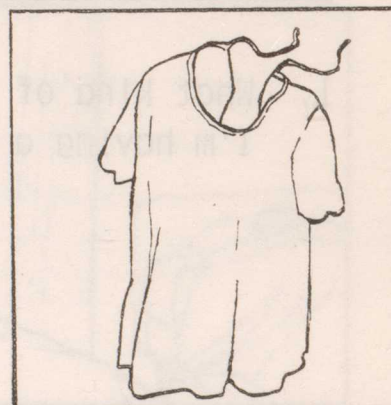


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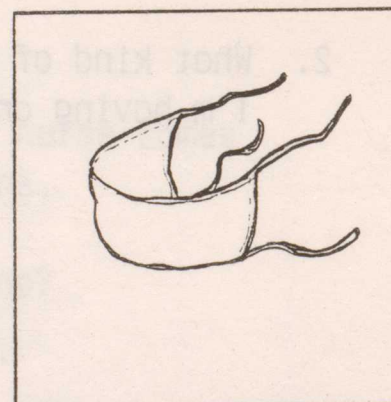
## Hospital Items

Read and practise the questions and answers.

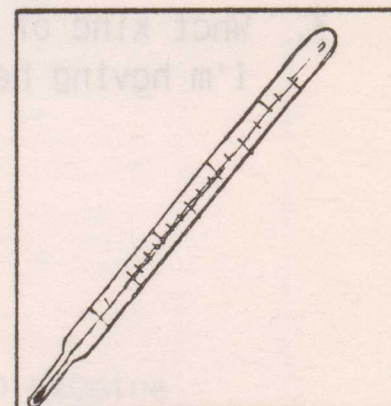
1. What is it?  
It's a hospital gown.



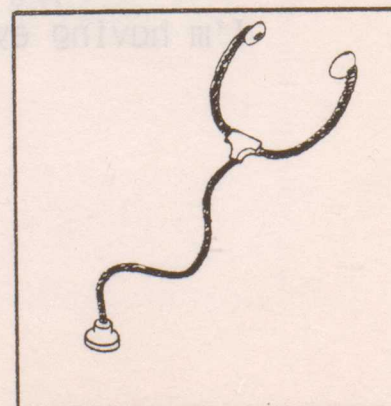
2. What is it?  
It's a hospital mask.



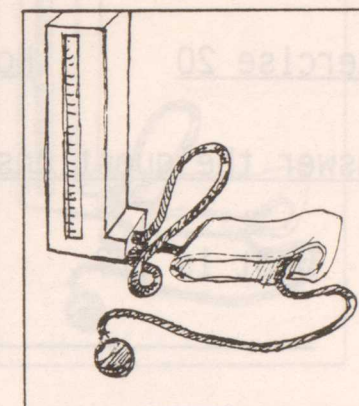
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It's a thermometer.



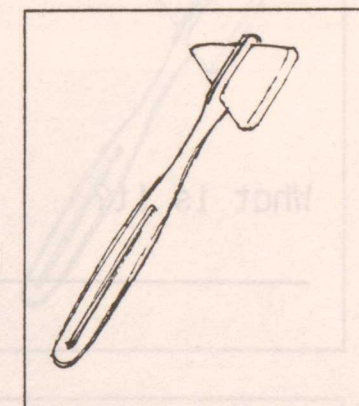
4. What is it?  
It's a stethoscope.



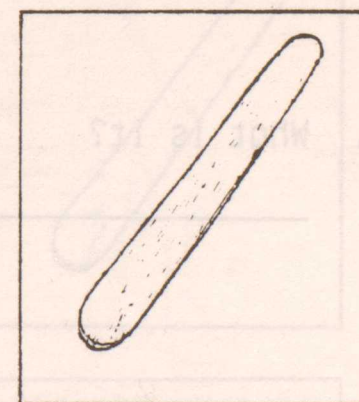
5. What is it?  
It's a blood pressure gauge.



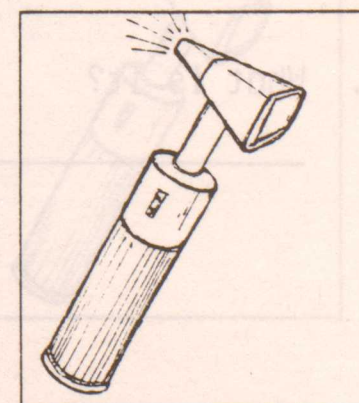
6. What is it?  
It's a hammer.



7. What is it?  
It's a tongue depressor.



8. What is it?  
It's a flashlight.



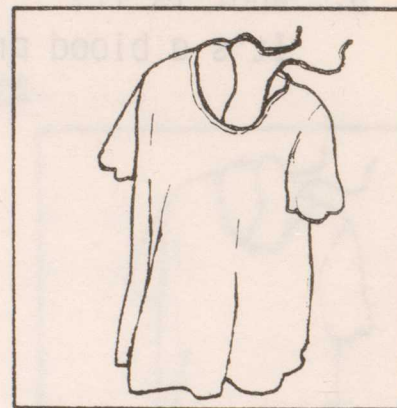


Exercise 20      Hospital Items

Answer the questions.

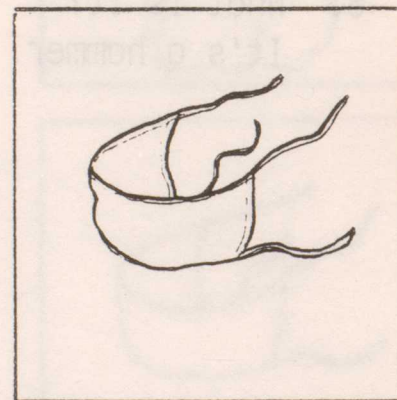
1. What is it?

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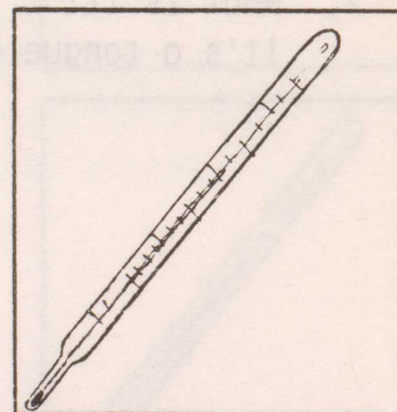
2. What is it?

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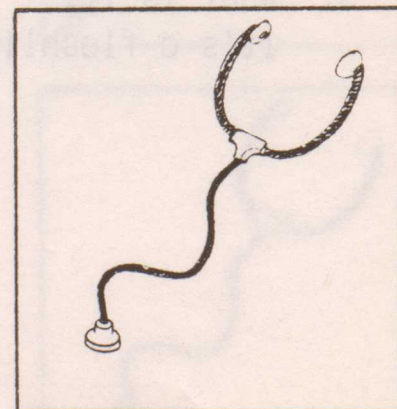
3. What is it?

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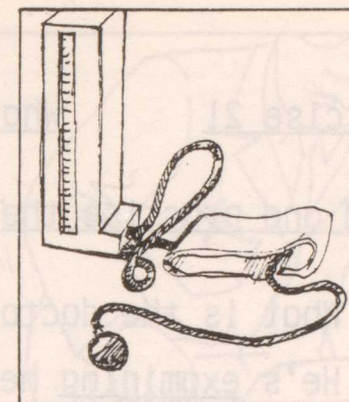
4. What is it?

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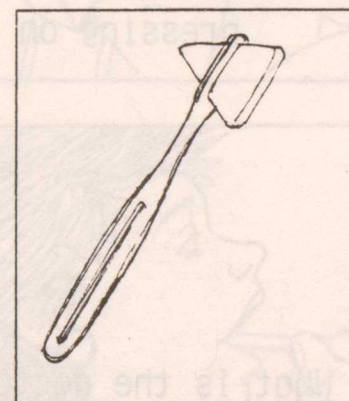
5. What is it?

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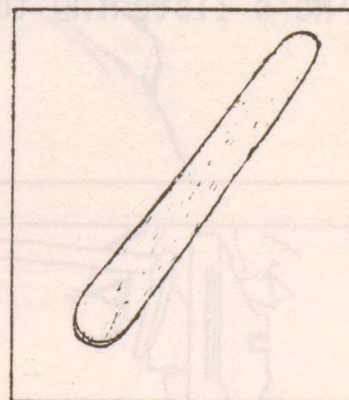
6. What is it?

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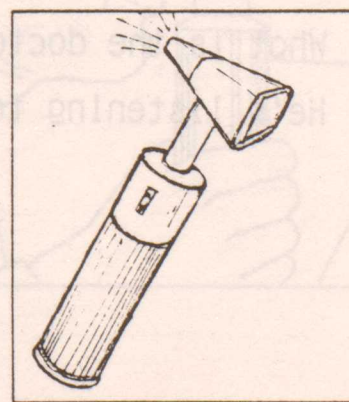
7. What is it?

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8. What is it?

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Exercise 21 What is the Doctor Doing?

Read and practise the questions and answers.

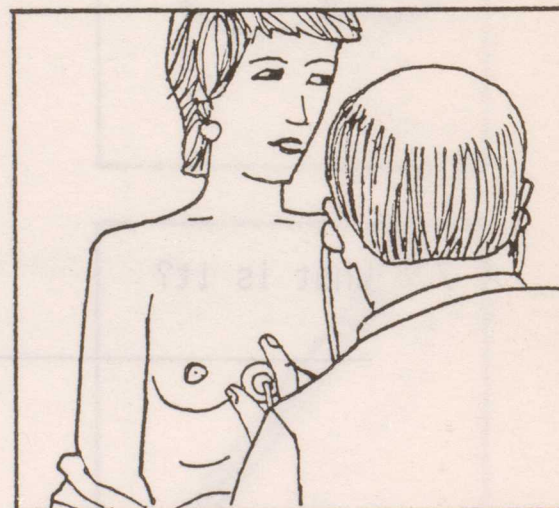
1. What is the doctor doing?

He's examining her stomach.  
touching  
pressing on



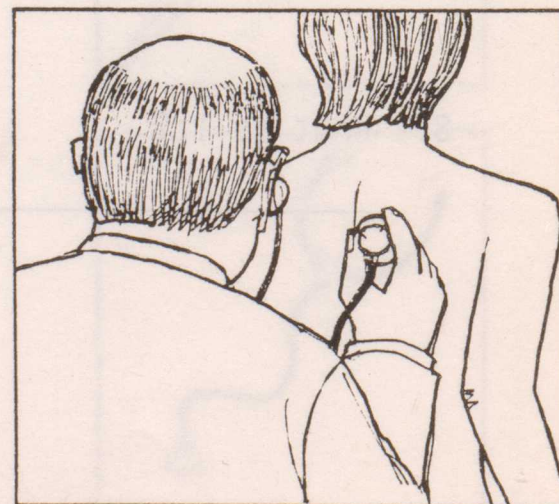
2. What is the doctor doing?

He's listening to her heartbeat.



3. What is the doctor doing?

He's listening to her breathing.



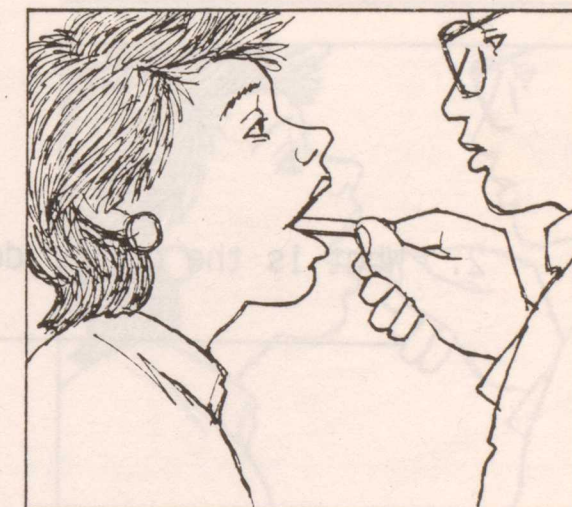
4. What is the doctor doing?

He's testing her reflexes.  
checking



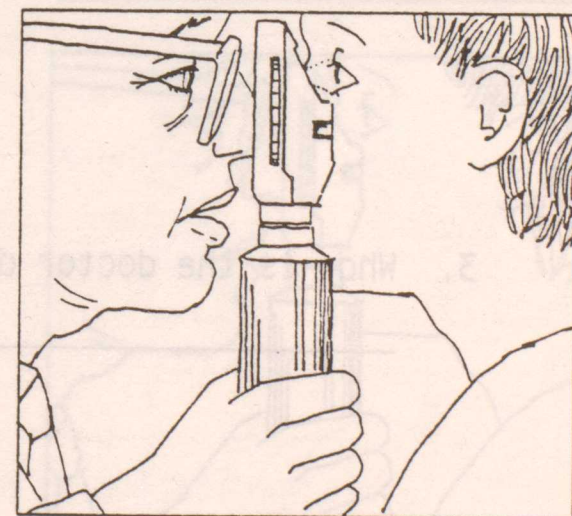
5. What is the doctor doing?

He's examining her throat.  
checking  
looking at



6. What is the doctor doing?

He's examining her eyes.  
checking  
looking at





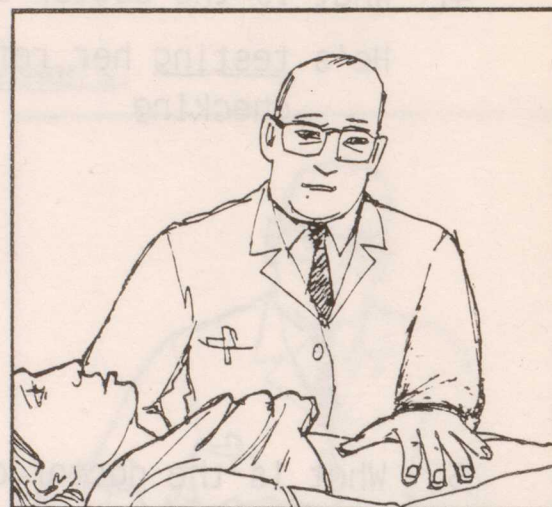
Exercise 22

What is the Doctor Doing?

Answer the questions.

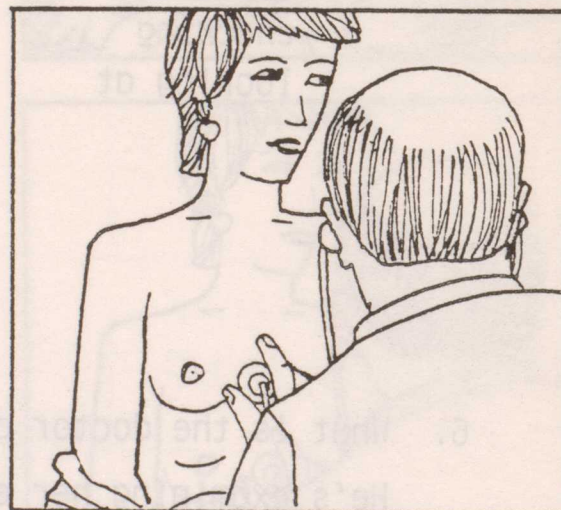
1. What is the doctor doing?

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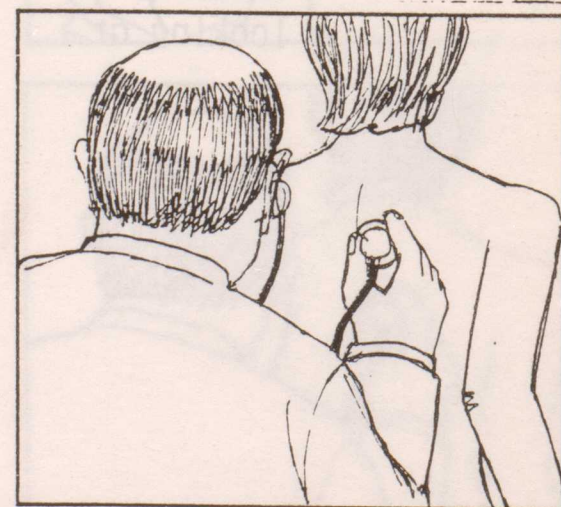
2. What is the doctor doing?

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3. What is the doctor doing?

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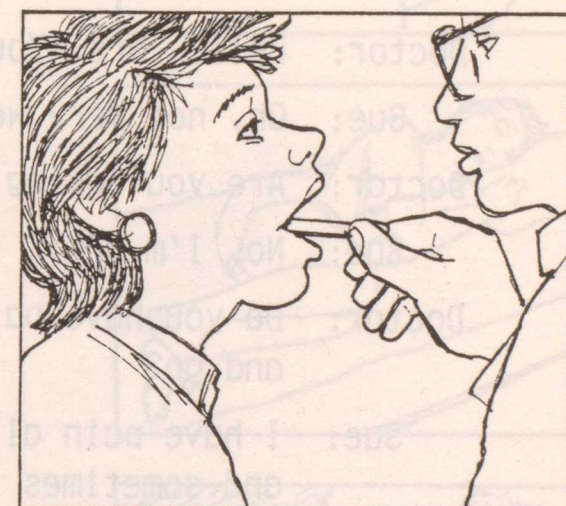
4. What is the doctor doing?

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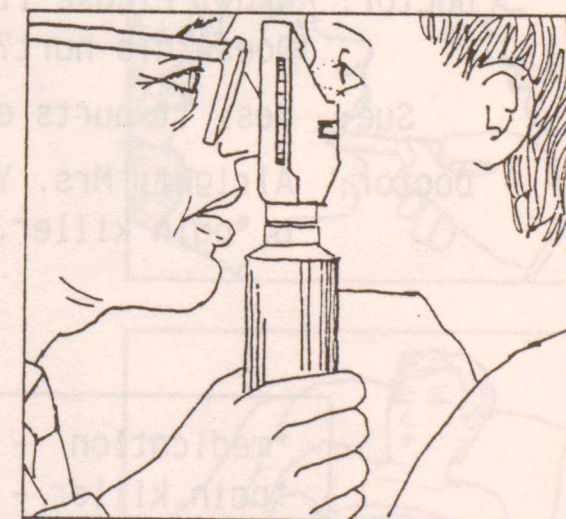
5. What is the doctor doing?

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6. What is the doctor doing?

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Exercise 23      The Doctor's Examination

Read and practise the conversation.



Doctor: Hello, Mrs. Young. How are you feeling?

Sue: Oh, not very well.

Doctor: Are you taking \*medication?

Sue: No, I'm not.

Doctor: Do you have pain all the time or does it come and go?

Sue: I have pain all the time but sometimes it's dull and sometimes it's sharp.

Doctor: Okay. Please lie down and I'll examine you. Does this hurt?

Sue: Yes, it hurts a lot.

Doctor: Alright, Mrs. Young. The nurse will bring you a \*pain killer.

\*medication - medicine

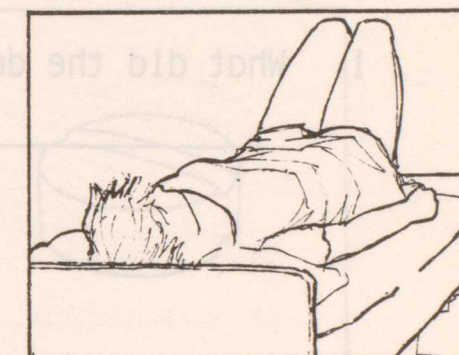
\*pain killer - a pill for pain

Exercise 24      Doctor's Instructions

Read and practise the questions and answers.

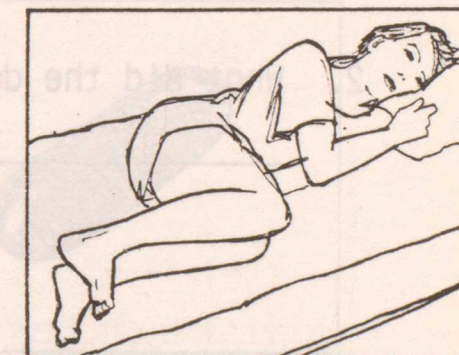
1. What did the doctor say?

"Lift up your knees."



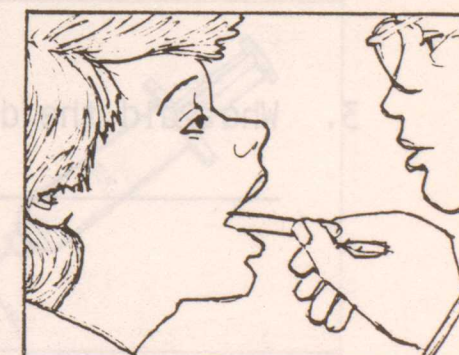
2. What did the doctor say?

"Lie on your left side."



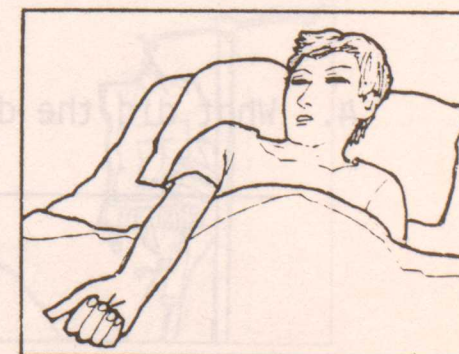
3. What did the doctor say?

"Open your mouth wide."



4. What did the doctor say?

"Make a fist please."





## Exercise 25 Doctor's Instructions

Answer the questions.

1. What did the doctor say?

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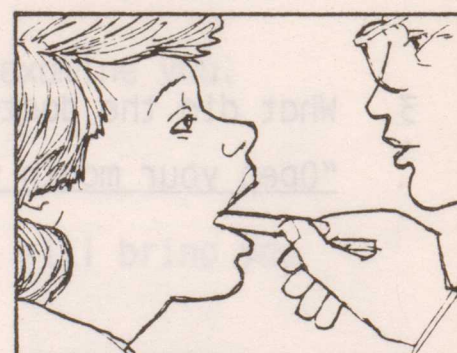
2. What did the doctor say?

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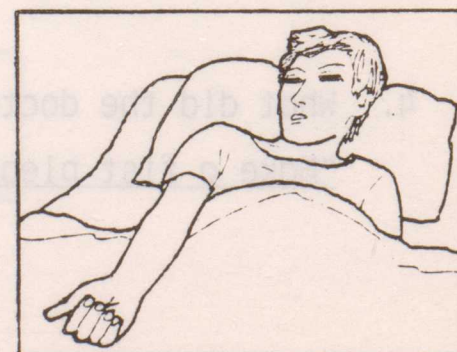
3. What did the doctor say?

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4. What did the doctor say?

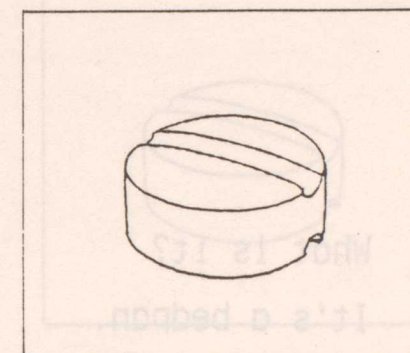
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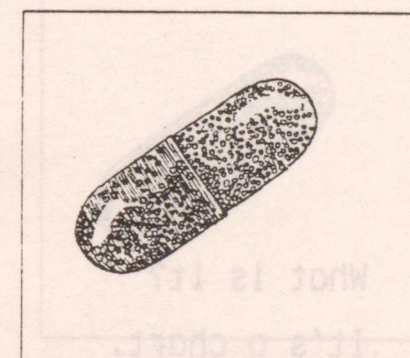
## Exercise 26 Hospital Items

Read and practise the questions and answers.

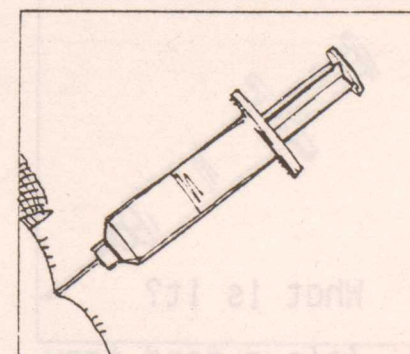
1. What is it?  
It's a pill.  
(It's a tablet.)



2. What is it?  
It's a capsule.



3. What is it?  
It's an injection.

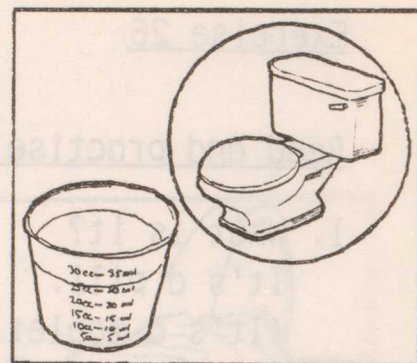


4. What is it?  
It's an intravenous.  
(It's an I.V.)

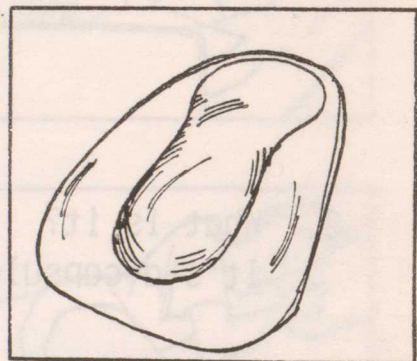




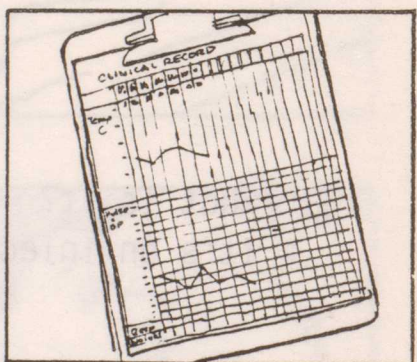
5. What is it?  
It's a laxative.



6. What is it?  
It's a bedpan.



7. What is it?  
It's a chart.



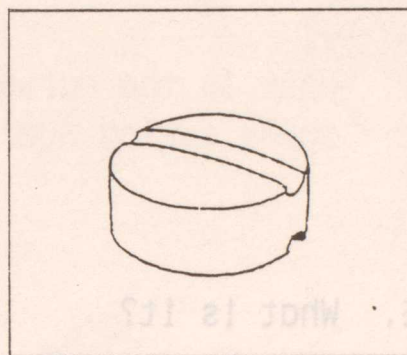
8. What is it?  
It's a food tray.



## Exercise 27 Hospital Items

Answer the questions.

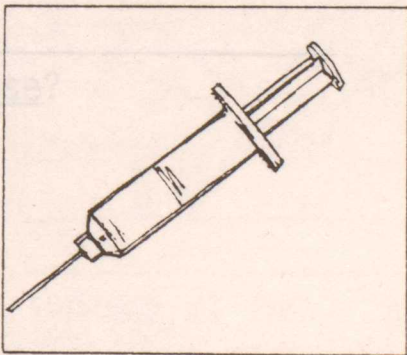
1. What is it?



2. What is it?



3. What is it?



4. What is it?





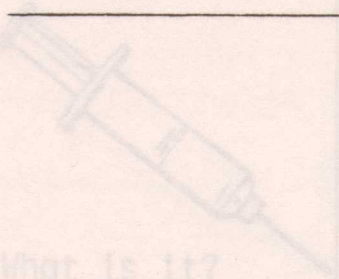
5. What is it?



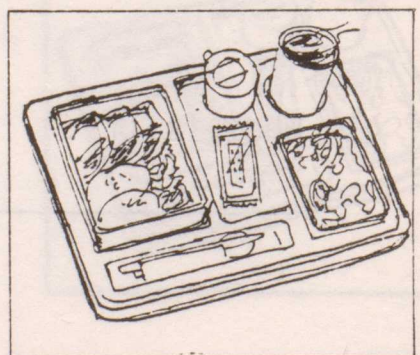
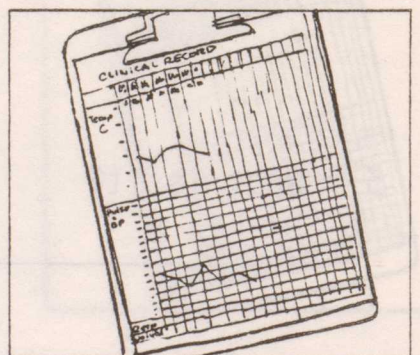
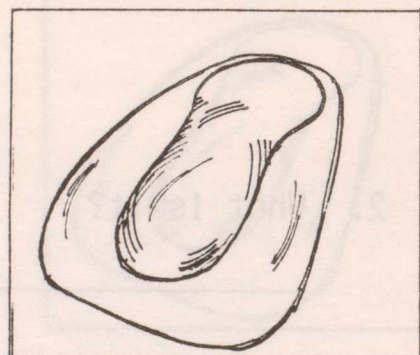
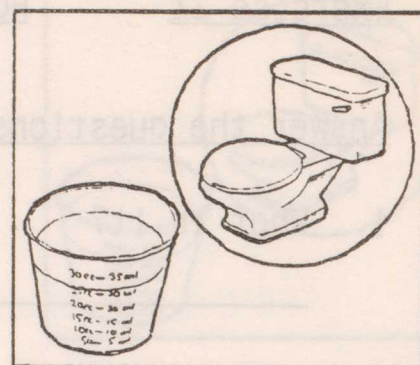
6. What is it?



7. What is it?



8. What is it?



## Exercise 28

## The Doctor's Examination

Change and practise the conversation.

Doctor: Hello. How are you feeling?

Patient: Oh, not too good.  
not too bad.  
pretty good.

Doctor: Do you feel any pain?  
Are you in pain?

Patient: Yes, it's very painful.  
the pain is very sharp.  
the pain is very strong.

Doctor: Please, lie on your right side.  
lie on your left side.  
lift up your knees.

The nurse will bring you a pain killer.  
you some medication.  
a bedpan.

Patient: Can I have a laxative too please?  
my lunch tray?

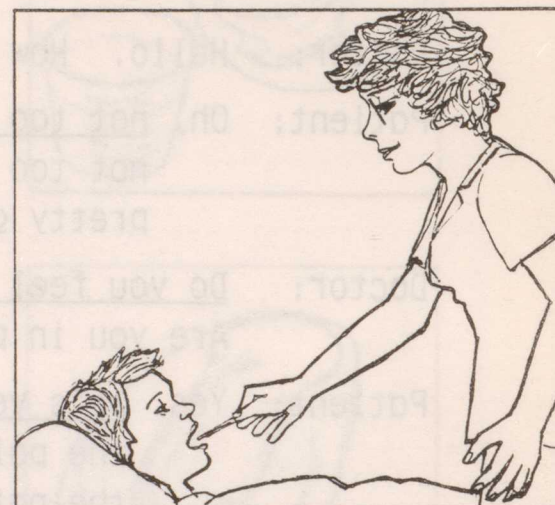


# Exercise 29

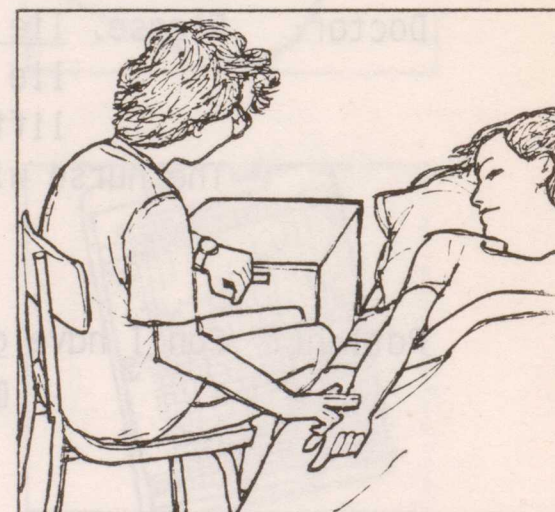
## What is the Nurse Doing?

Read and practise the questions and answers.

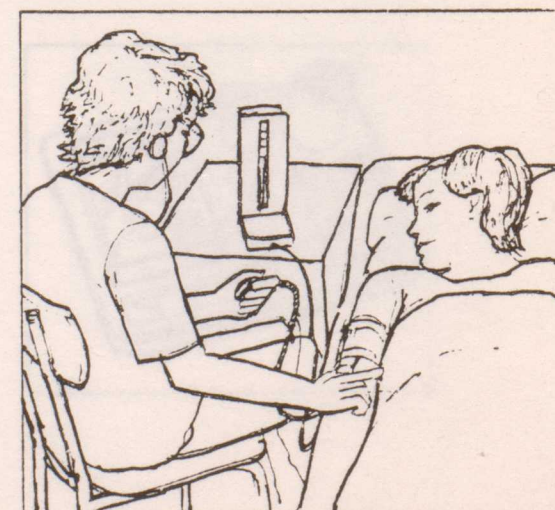
1. What is the nurse doing?  
She's taking Sue's temperature.



2. What is the nurse doing?  
She's checking Sue's pulse.



3. What is the nurse doing?  
She's checking Sue's blood pressure.



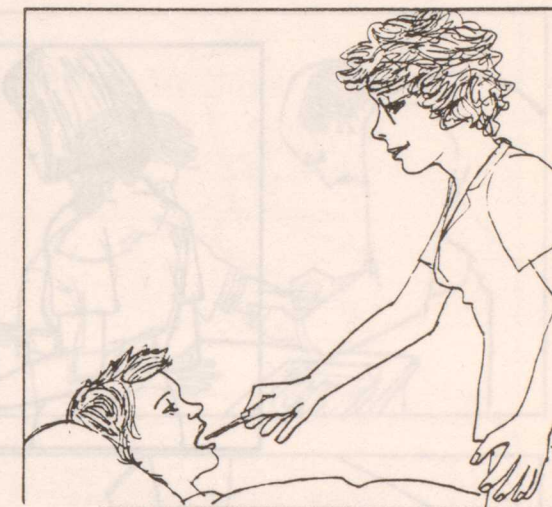
# Exercise 30

## What is the Nurse Doing?

Answer the questions.

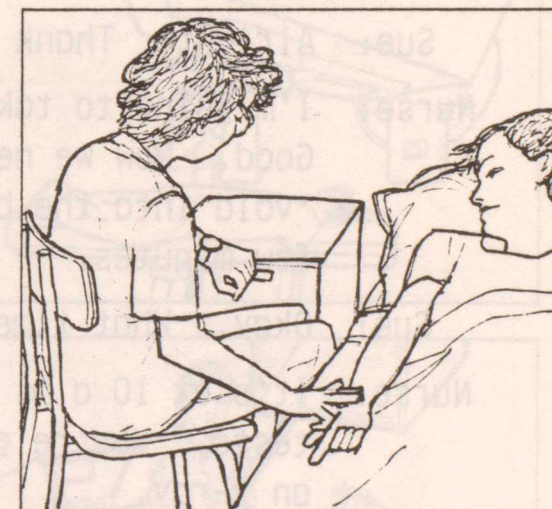
1. What is the nurse doing?

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2. What is the nurse doing?

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3. What is the nurse doing?

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# Exercise 31

## Sue and the Nurse

Read and practise the conversation.



Nurse: This tablet is for pain. Please swallow it.

Sue: Alright. Thank you.

Nurse: I'm going to take your temperature now....  
Good. Now we need a urine specimen. Please  
\*void into the bedpan and I'll be back in a  
few minutes.

Sue: Okay. What time is my operation tomorrow?

Nurse: It's at 10 a.m. Today you need to have some  
tests. You're going to have a blood test and  
an x-ray.

\*void - empty bladder

# Exercise 32

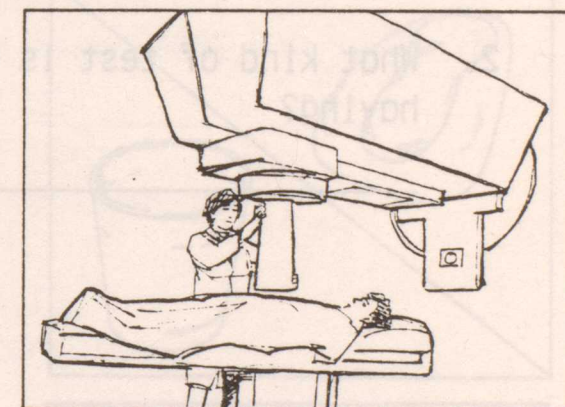
## Medical Tests

Read and practise the questions and answers.

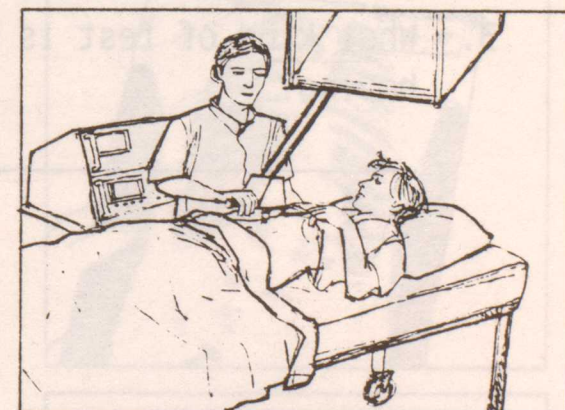
1. What kind of test is she  
having?  
She's having a blood test.



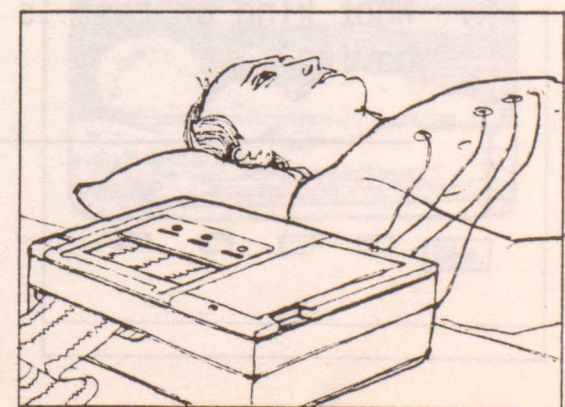
2. What kind of test is he  
having?  
He's having an x-ray.



3. What kind of test is she  
having?  
She's having an ultrasound.



4. What kind of test is he  
having?  
He's having an electro-  
cardiogram.





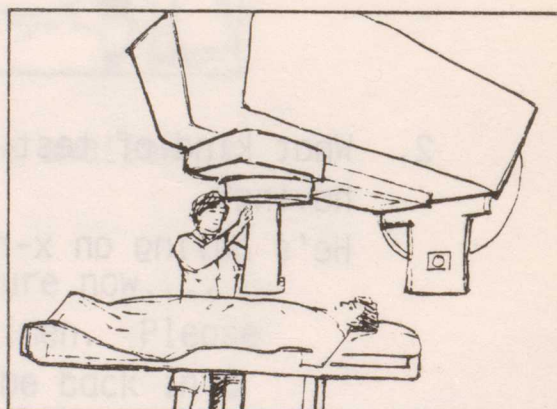
Exercise 33 Medical Tests

Answer the questions.

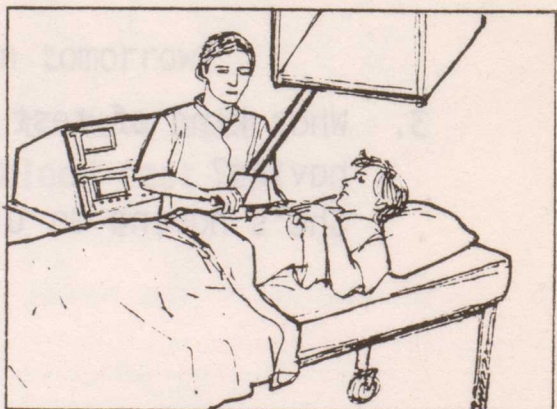
1. What kind of test is she having?



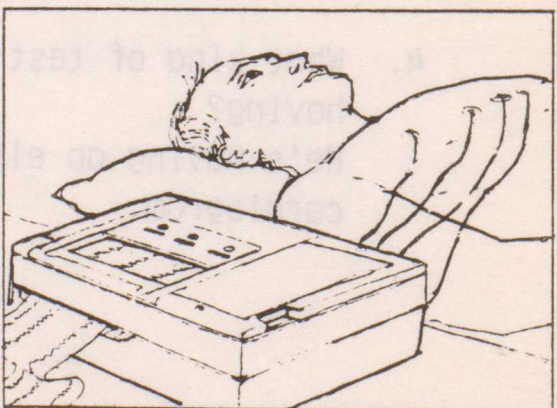
2. What kind of test is he having?



3. What kind of test is she having?



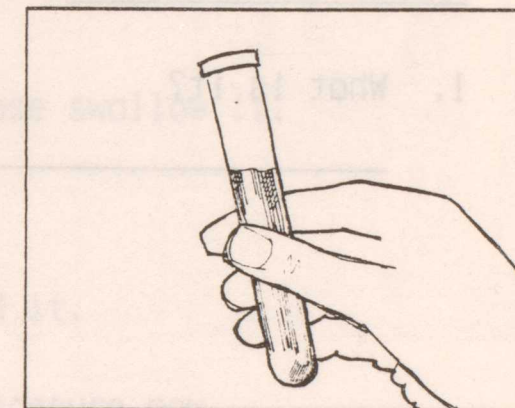
4. What kind of test is he having?



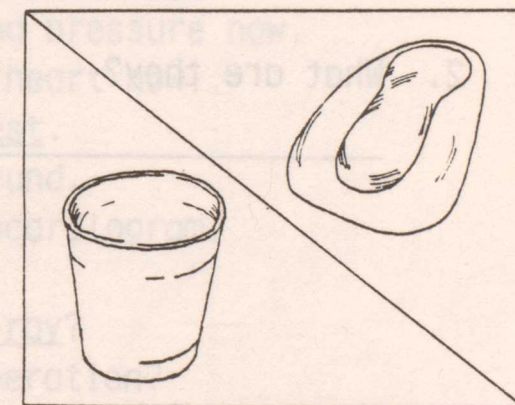
Exercise 34 Medical Tests

Read and practise the questions and answers.

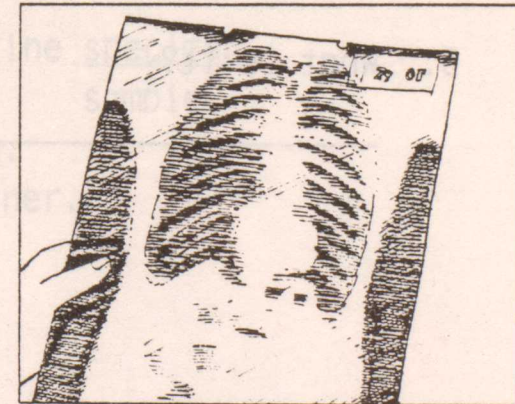
1. What is it?  
It's a blood sample.  
(It's a blood specimen.)



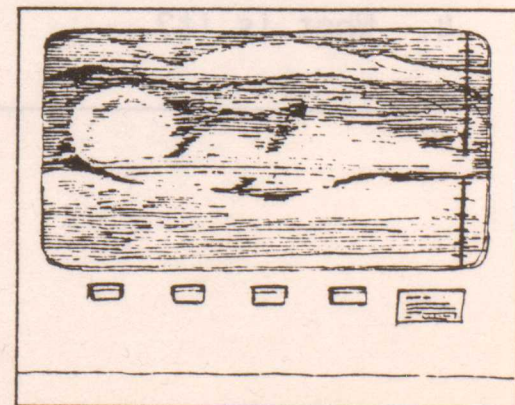
2. What are they?  
They are urine specimens.  
(They are urine samples.)



3. What is it?  
It's an x-ray.



4. What is it?  
It's an ultrasound.



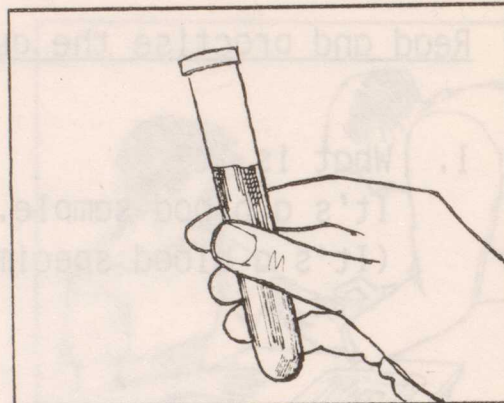


Exercise 35 Medical Tests

Answer the questions.

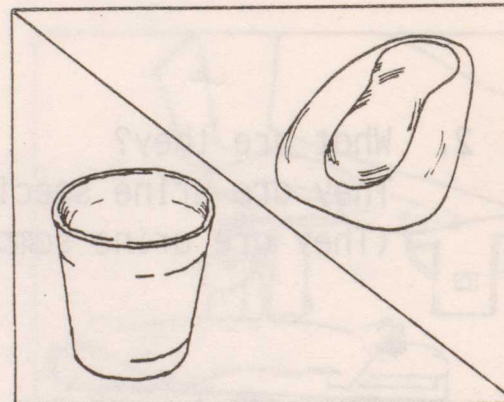
1. What is it?

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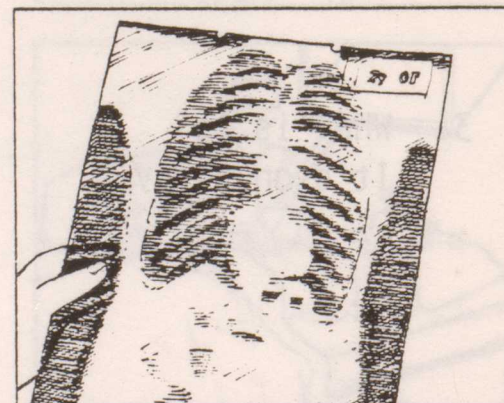
2. What are they?

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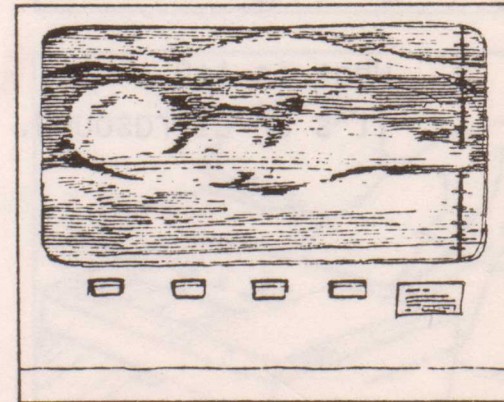
3. What is it?

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4. What is it?

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Exercise 36 Sue and the Nurse

Change and practise the conversation.

Nurse: This pill is for pain. Please swallow it.  
This is a sleeping pill.

Patient: Okay, thank you. I need it.  
No, thank you. I don't need it.

Nurse: I'm going to take your temperature now.  
check your blood pressure now.  
listen to your heart now.  
Later you'll have a blood test.  
an ultrasound.  
an electrocardiogram.

Patient: Alright. What time is my x-ray?  
operation?

Nurse: At 9 a.m. We also need a urine specimen.  
sample.

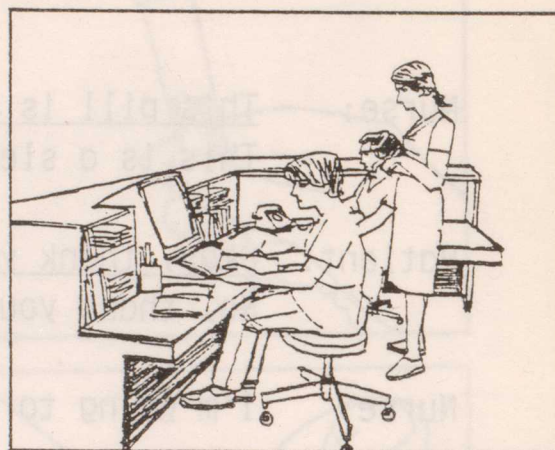
Please void into this bedpan.  
container.



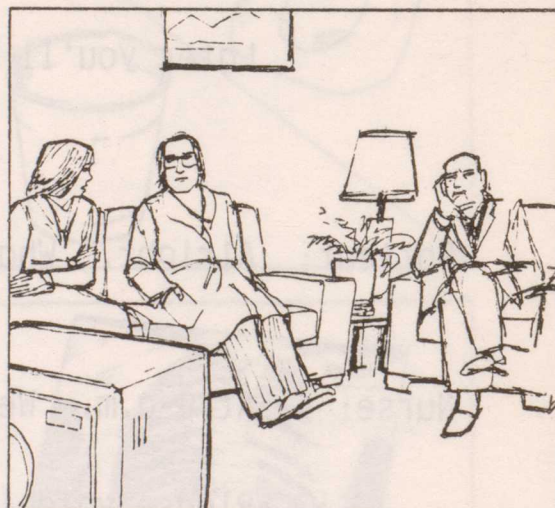
Exercise 37      Down the Hall

Read and practise the questions and answers.

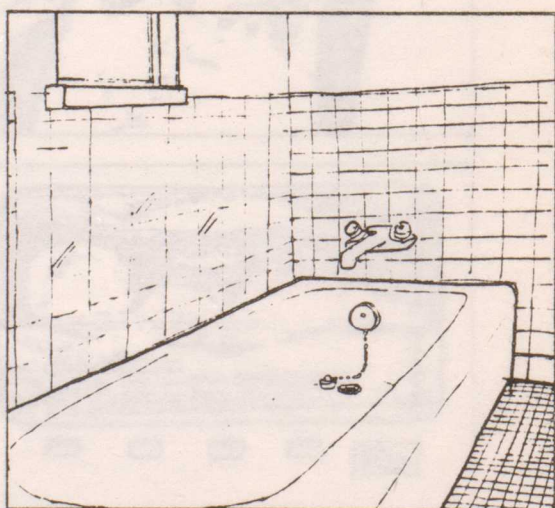
1. What is it?  
It's the nursing station.



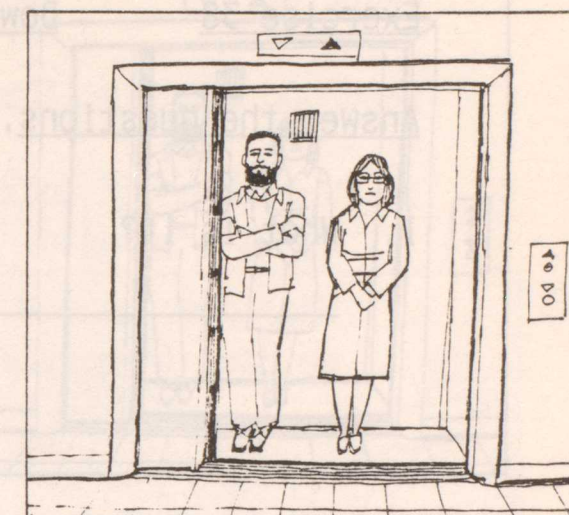
2. What is it?  
It's the patient lounge.



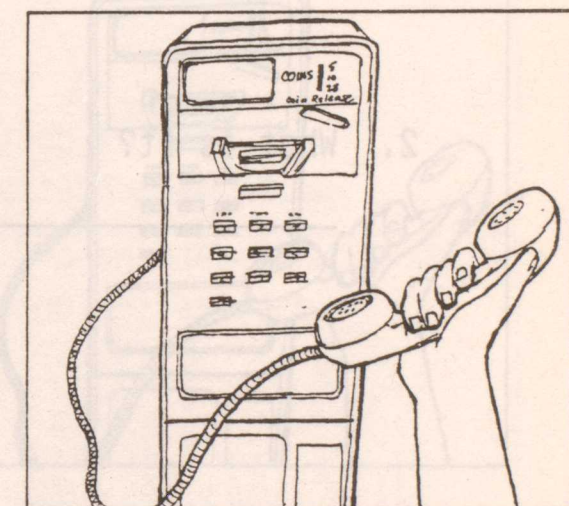
3. What is it?  
It's a bathroom.



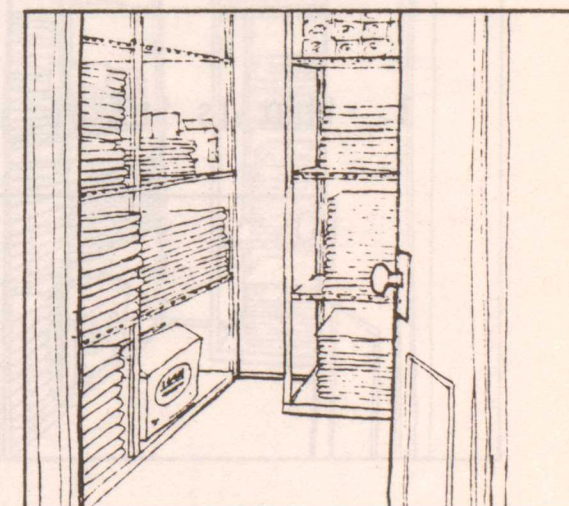
4. What is it?  
It's an elevator.



5. What is it?  
It's a pay telephone.  
It's a pay phone.



6. What is it?  
It's the supply room.





Exercise 38      Down the Hall

Answer the questions.

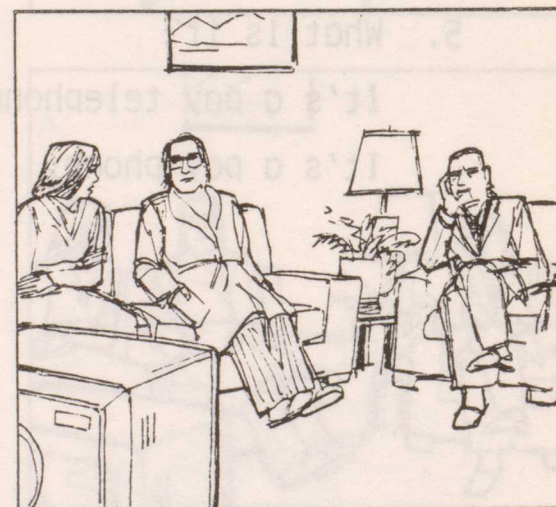
1. What is it?

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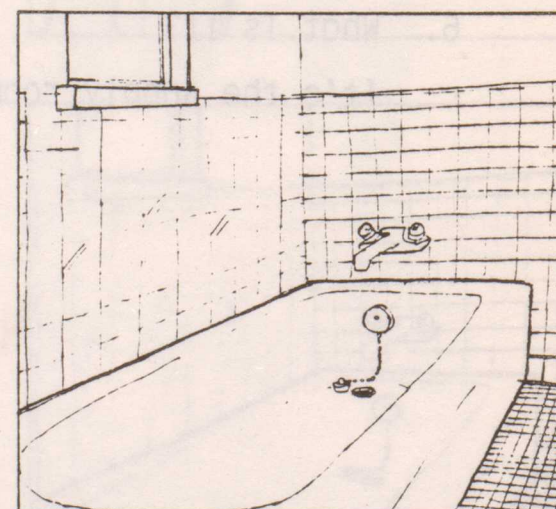
2. What is it?

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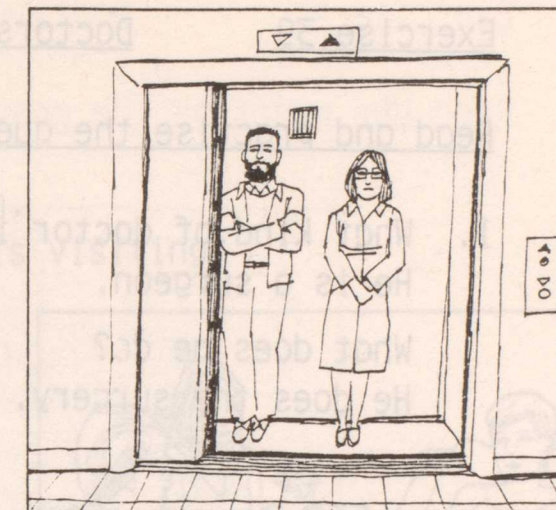
3. What is it?

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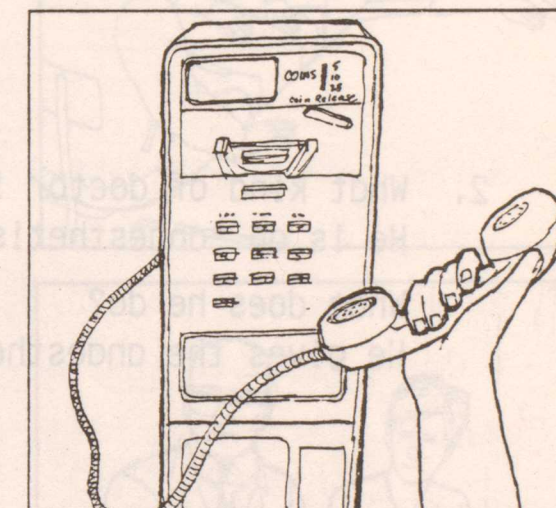
4. What is it?

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5. What is it?

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6. What is it?

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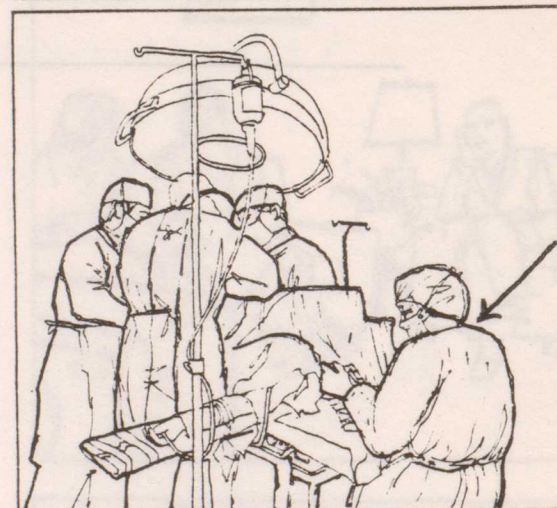
# Exercise 39      Doctors

Read and practise the questions and answers.

1. What kind of doctor is he?  
He is a surgeon.  
What does he do?  
He does the surgery.



2. What kind of doctor is he?  
He is an \*anaesthetist.  
What does he do?  
He gives the anaesthetic.



3. What kind of doctor is she?  
She is a \*family doctor.  
What does she do?  
She looks after medical problems for the whole family.



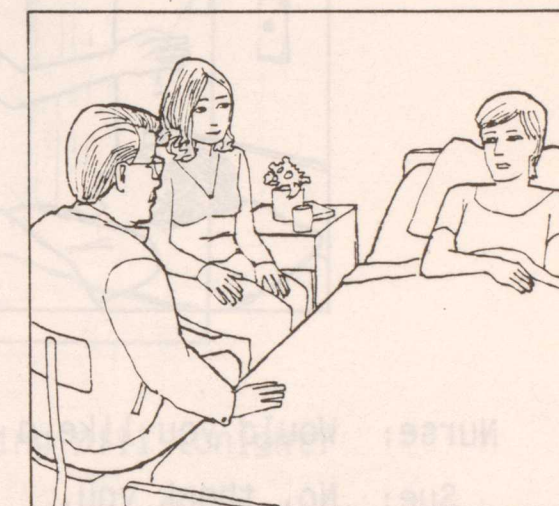
\*anaesthetist - also anaesthesiologist  
\*family doctor - also family physician  
or G.P. (general practitioner)

# Exercise 40      Visitors

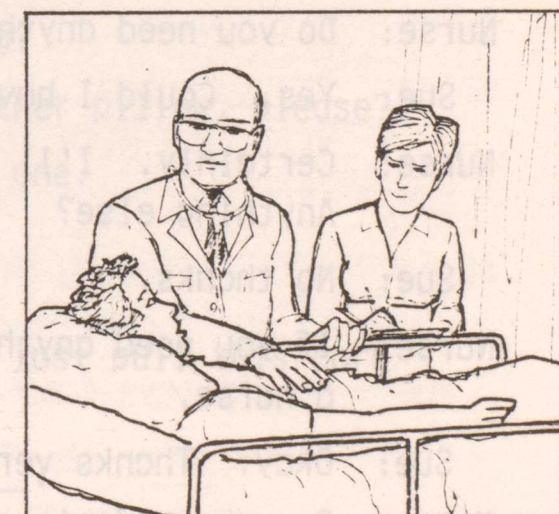
Read and practise the story.

Sue is having a very busy afternoon.  
She is having many visitors. Who is visiting?

1. Her family is visiting her.  
Visiting hours are from  
2-8 p.m. in this hospital.



2. Sue's surgeon is visiting her.  
He is examining her before  
the operation.



3. Sue's anaesthetist is visiting her.  
He wants to talk to her  
before the operation.





Exercise 41      Bedtime

Read and practise the conversation.



Nurse: Would you like a sleeping pill tonight?  
Sue: No, thank you.  
Nurse: Do you need anything?  
Sue: Yes. Could I have another pillow please?  
Nurse: Certainly. I'll get you one.  
Anything else?  
Sue: No thanks.  
Nurse: If you need anything just pull this cord to call  
a nurse.  
Sue: Okay. Thanks very much.  
Nurse: Remember, don't eat or drink before the  
operation.

Exercise 42      Bedtime

Fill in the correct word.



Nurse: \_\_\_\_\_ you like a sleeping pill tonight?  
Sue: No, \_\_\_\_\_ you.  
Nurse: Do you \_\_\_\_\_ anything?  
Sue: Yes, \_\_\_\_\_ I have another pillow, please?  
Nurse: \_\_\_\_\_. I'll get you one.  
Anything \_\_\_\_\_?  
Sue: \_\_\_\_\_ thanks.  
Nurse: If you need \_\_\_\_\_ just pull this cord  
to \_\_\_\_\_ the nurse.  
Sue: Okay. Thanks very \_\_\_\_\_.  
Nurse: Remember, don't eat or drink before the  
operation.

need	thank	would	certainly	no
much	else	could	anything	call



# Exercise 43

## Preparing for Surgery

Read and practise the conversation.



Nurse: Good morning, Mrs. Young.  
Did you sleep well?

Sue: Not too well. I'm nervous.

Nurse: Try to relax. Remember, after this your stomach  
will feel much better.

Sue: I'll try.

Nurse: We're going to attach your I.V. now. Don't worry,  
it won't hurt.

Sue: What's this for?

Nurse: This is for the \*anaesthetic you'll get later.

\*anaesthetic - medication that puts you to  
sleep for an operation.

# Exercise 44

## Preparing for Surgery

Write the conversation in the correct order.

Nurse: This is for the anaesthetic you'll get later.

Sue: Not too well. I'm nervous.

Nurse: Good morning, Mrs. Young.

Did you sleep well?

Sue: I'll try.

Nurse: Try to relax. Remember, after this your stomach  
will feel much better.

Sue: What's this for?

Nurse: I'm going to attach your I.V. now. Don't worry,  
it won't hurt.

Nurse: \_\_\_\_\_

Sue: \_\_\_\_\_

Nurse: \_\_\_\_\_

Sue: \_\_\_\_\_

Nurse: \_\_\_\_\_

Sue: \_\_\_\_\_

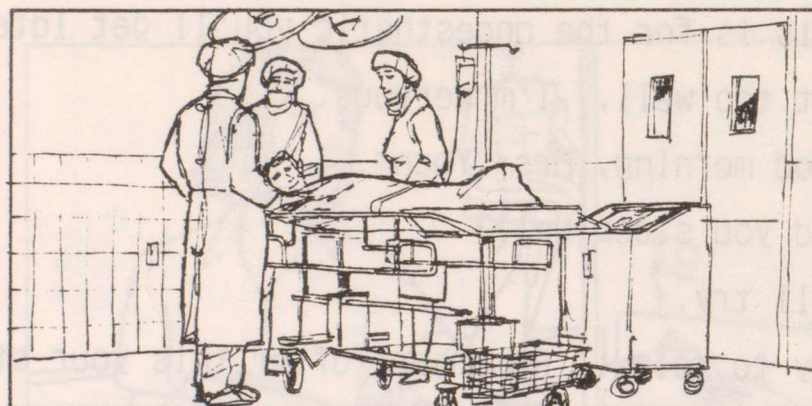
Nurse: \_\_\_\_\_



# Exercise 45

## Just Before Surgery

Read and practise the story and conversation.



Sue is in the operating room. She is feeling more relaxed.

Surgeon: We're ready to give you your anaesthetic now.  
Would you like to ask any questions first?

Sue: Yes. How long is the operation?

Surgeon: It takes about one and a half hours.  
Any other questions?

Sue: No, that's all.

Anaesthetist: The anaesthetic comes through the I.V. You'll  
fall asleep in a few seconds. Are you ready?

Sue: Yes, I am.

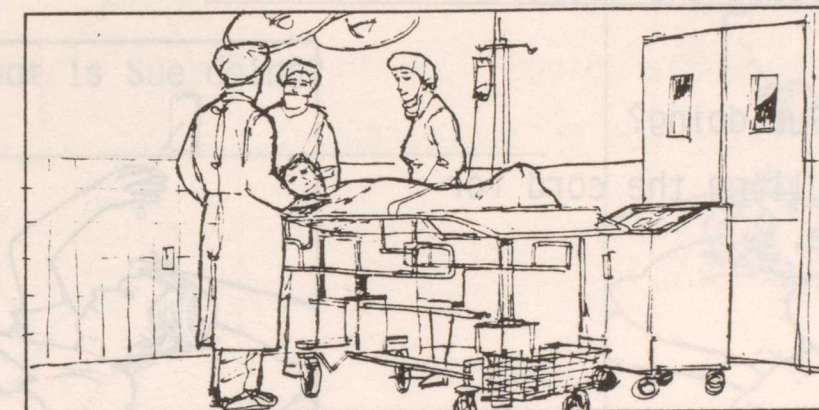
Anaesthetist: When you wake up you'll be in the \*recovery room.

\*recovery room: - where patients go after an operation  
until they wake up.

# Exercise 46

## Just Before Surgery

Fill in the correct words.



Surgeon: We're ready to give you your \_\_\_\_\_  
now. Would you like to ask any \_\_\_\_\_  
first?

Sue: Yes. How long is the \_\_\_\_\_?

Surgeon: It \_\_\_\_\_ about one and a half hours.  
Any other questions?

Sue: No, that's \_\_\_\_\_.

Anaesthetist: The anaesthetic comes through the \_\_\_\_\_.  
You'll fall \_\_\_\_\_ in a few \_\_\_\_\_.  
Are you ready?

Sue: Yes, I am.

Anaesthetist: When you \_\_\_\_\_ up you'll be in the  
\_\_\_\_\_ room.

takes	all	recovery	questions	asleep
seconds	I.V.	operation	anaesthetic	wake



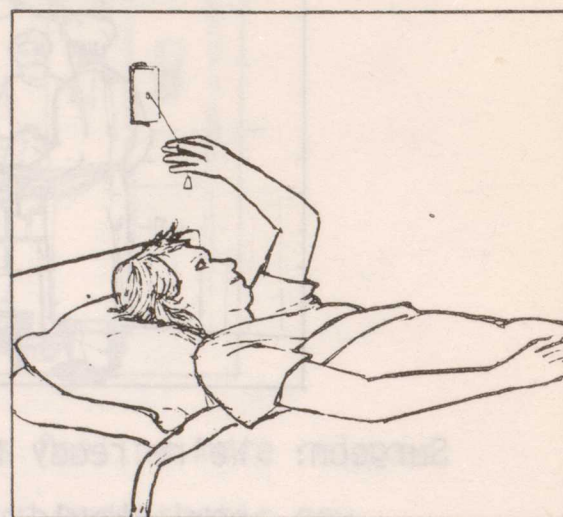
Exercise 47 After the Operation

Sue is back in her room now.

Read and practise the questions and answers.

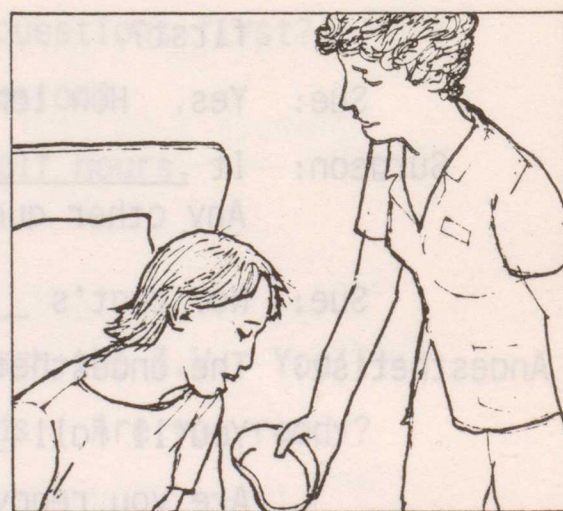
1. What is Sue doing?

She is pulling the cord for the nurse.



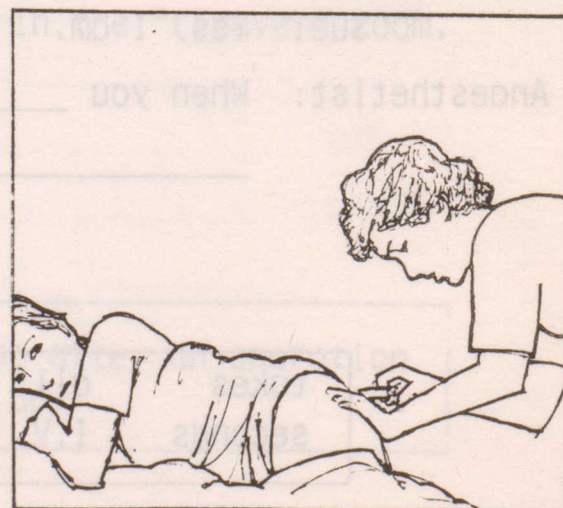
2. What is the nurse doing?

She's holding the basin\* because Sue needs to vomit.



3. What is the nurse doing?

She's giving Sue an injection for pain.



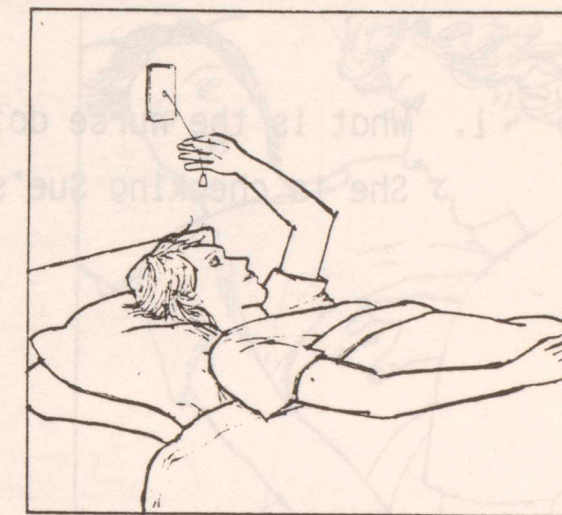
\*basin - a basin is like a bowl

Exercise 48 After the Operation

Answer the questions.

1. What is Sue doing?

\_\_\_\_\_



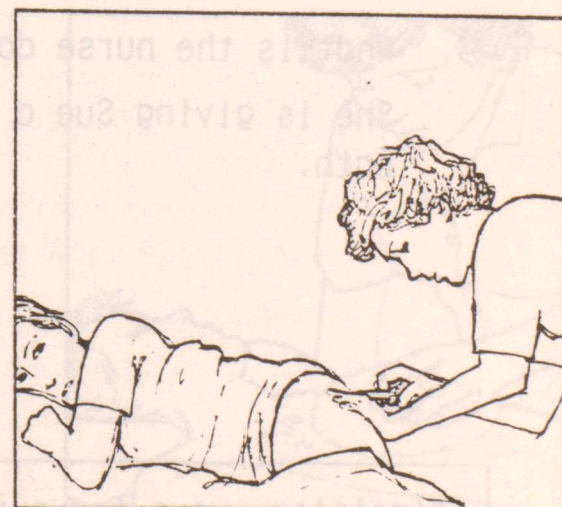
2. What is the nurse doing?

\_\_\_\_\_



3. What is the nurse doing?

\_\_\_\_\_





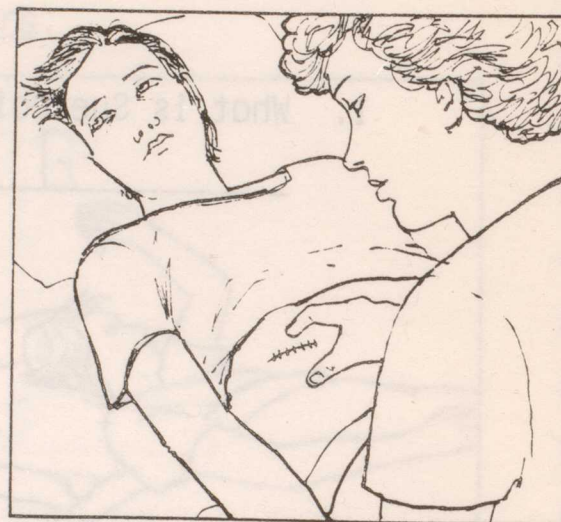
# Exercise 49

## The Next Day

Read and practise the questions and answers.

1. What is the nurse doing?

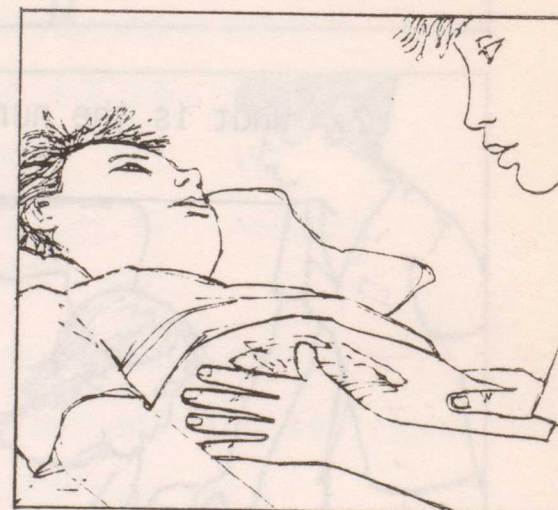
She is checking Sue's \*incision.



2. What is the nurse doing?

She is changing the bandage.

She is changing the dressing.



3. What is the nurse doing?

She is giving Sue a sponge bath.



\*incision - cut for surgery

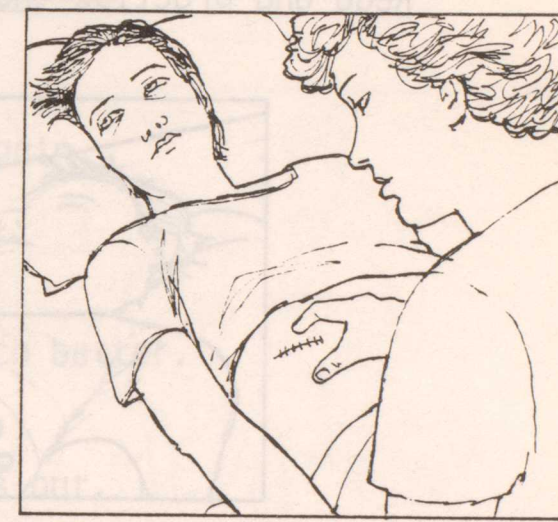
# Exercise 50

## The Next Day

Answer the questions.

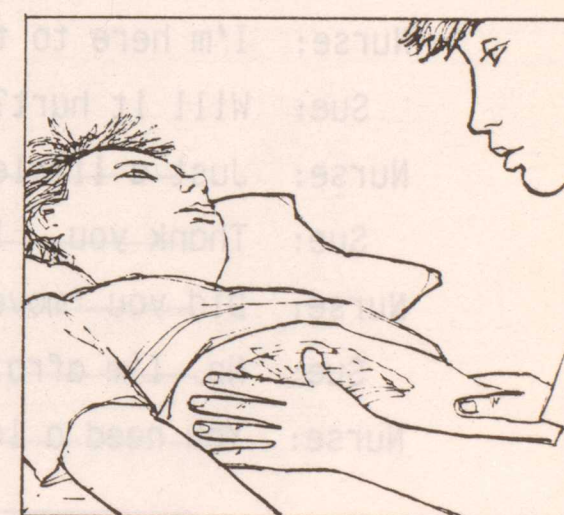
1. What is the nurse doing?

\_\_\_\_\_



2. What is the nurse doing?

\_\_\_\_\_



3. What is the nurse doing?

\_\_\_\_\_





# Exercise 51

## A Few Days Later

Read and practise the questions and answers.



Nurse: I'm here to take out your \*stitches.

Sue: Will it hurt?

Nurse: Just a little.-- You look much better.

Sue: Thank you. I'm eating food again.

Nurse: Did you \*move your bowels yet?

Sue: No, I'm afraid not.

Nurse: You need a laxative.

\*stitches are used to sew an incision

\*move your bowels in the toilet

# Exercise 52

## A Few Days Later

Write the conversation in the correct order.

Nurse: Did you move your bowels yet?

Sue: Thank you. I'm eating food again.

Nurse: You need a laxative.

Sue: No, I'm afraid not.

Nurse: Just a little. -- You look much better.

Sue: Will it hurt?

Nurse: I'm here to take your stitches out.

Nurse: \_\_\_\_\_

Sue: \_\_\_\_\_

Nurse: \_\_\_\_\_

Sue: \_\_\_\_\_

Nurse: \_\_\_\_\_

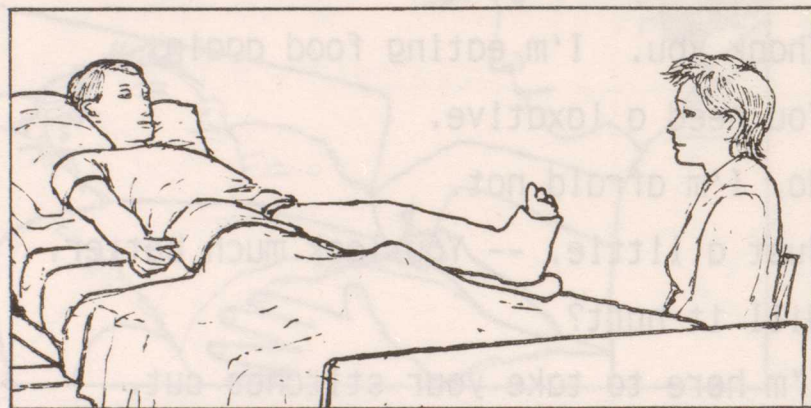
Sue: \_\_\_\_\_

Nurse: \_\_\_\_\_



Exercise 53 Sue Visits Her Cousin

Read the story and answer the questions.



Sue's cousin Tom is also in the hospital. He had an accident and broke his leg. His leg is in a cast. He can't walk yet.

1. Where is Sue's cousin?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. What happened to him?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Can he walk?

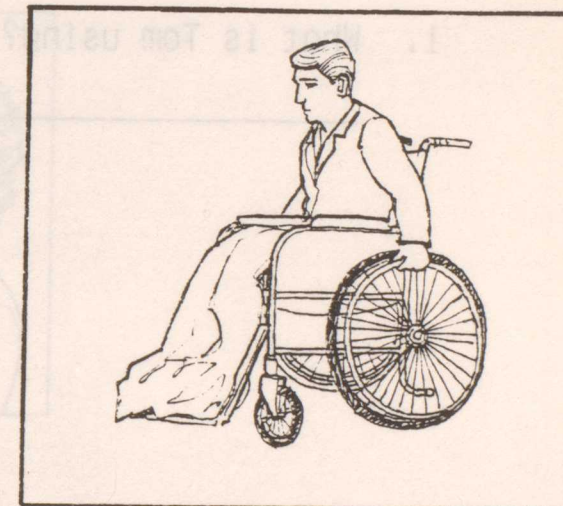
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Exercise 54 What is Tom Using?

Read and practise the questions and answers.

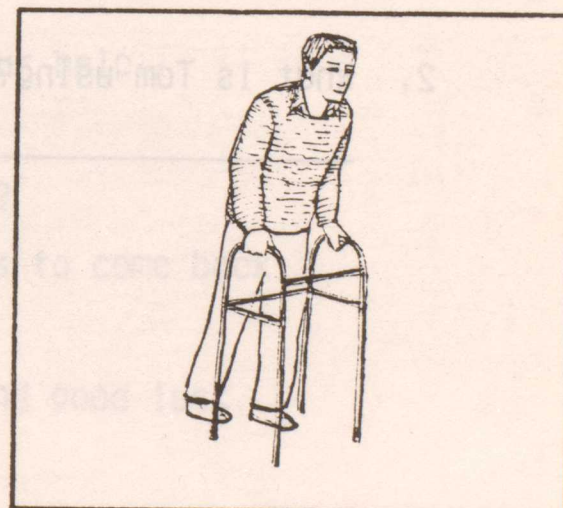
1. What is Tom using?

He's using a wheelchair.



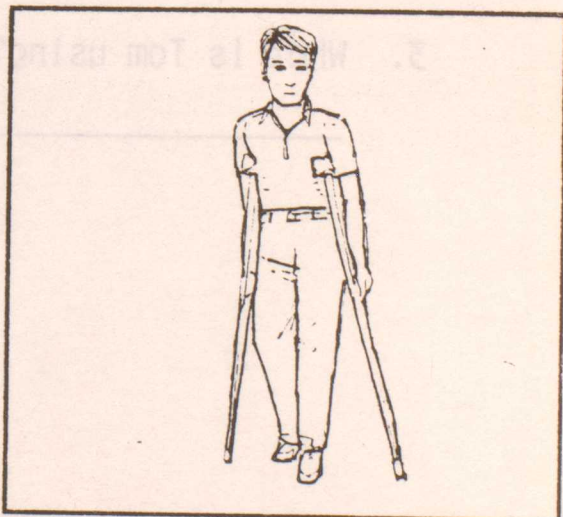
2. What is Tom using?

He's using a walker.



3. What is Tom using?

He's using crutches.



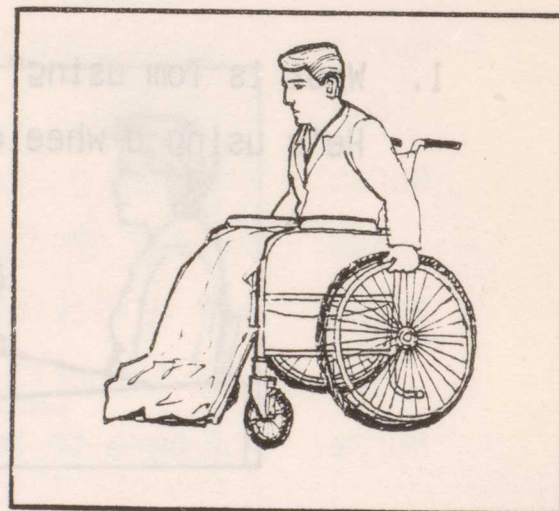


Exercise 55      What is Tom Using?

Answer the questions.

1. What is Tom using?

\_\_\_\_\_



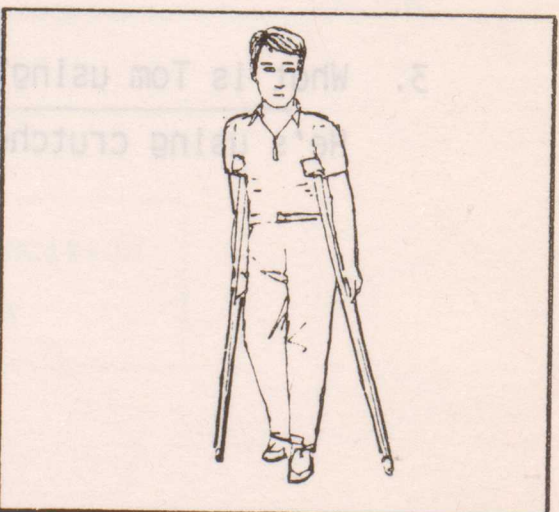
2. What is Tom using?

\_\_\_\_\_



3. What is Tom using?

\_\_\_\_\_



Exercise 56      Sue is Going Home

Read and practise the conversation.



Nurse: Do you have everything?

Sue: Yes. Thank you so much for your help.

Nurse: Oh, you're very welcome.

When is your cousin going home?

Sue: In a few days. But then he has to come back to the outpatient department.

Nurse: That's right. Well good-bye and good luck.

Sue: 'Bye. Thanks again.

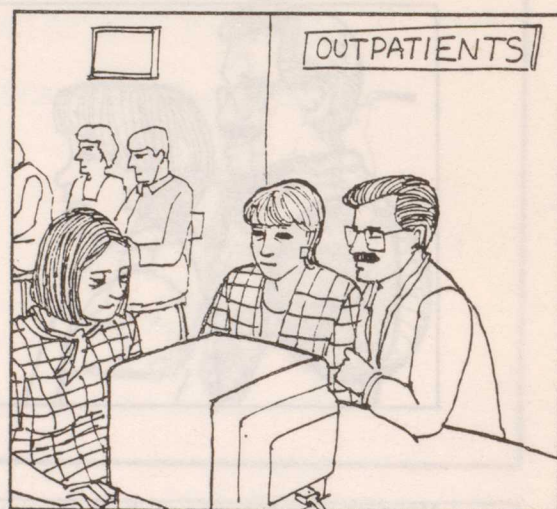


Exercise 57      Inside the Hospital

Read and practise the questions and answers.

1. What is it?

It's the outpatient department.



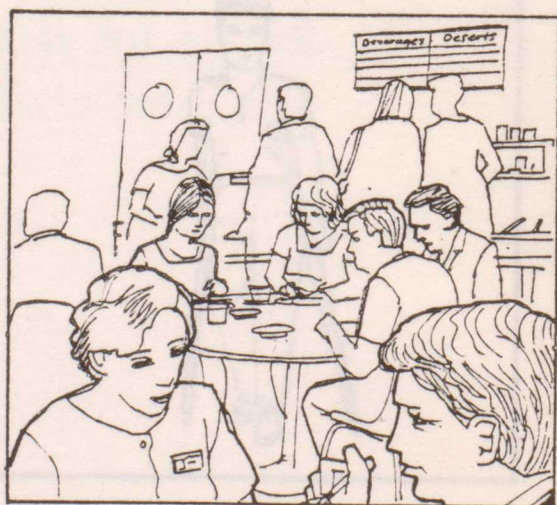
2. What is it?

It's the emergency ward.



3. What is it?

It's the cafeteria.

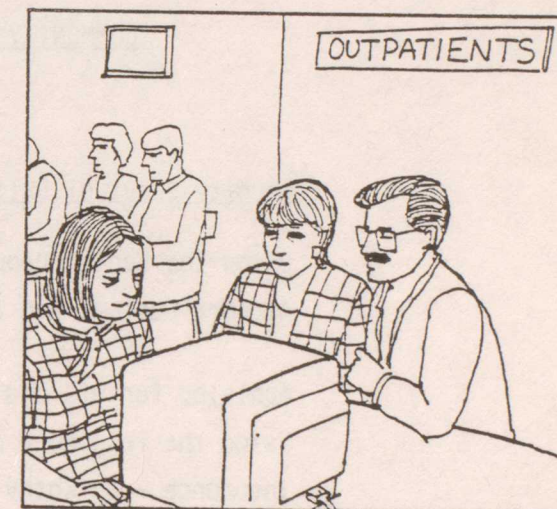


Exercise 58      Inside the Hospital

Answer the questions.

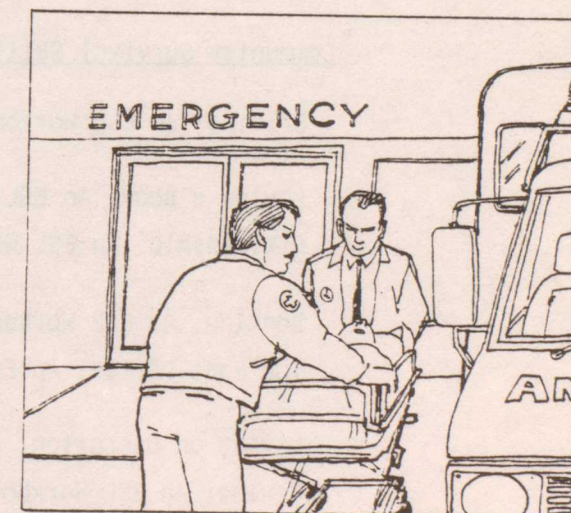
1. What is it?

\_\_\_\_\_



2. What is it?

\_\_\_\_\_



3. What is it?

\_\_\_\_\_





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