

Health

1 Registering with a doctor

Before you can see a GP in the UK, you need to go to your local surgery and register. You will get a form that you must fill in with your name, address and medical history.

Family doctor services registration

PATIENT'S DETAILS *Please complete in BLOCK CAPITALS and tick [✓] as appropriate.*

Mr Mrs Miss Ms Surname
 Date of Birth First Names
 Male Female Town and Country of birth
 Home Address

 Postcode Telephone Number

Please provide the following information

Your previous address in the UK Name of previous doctor while at that address

2 At the doctor's

A You are feeling unwell so you phone your doctor to make an appointment. Put this conversation in the correct order:

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| a That's fine, thanks. | _____ |
| b And your first name? | _____ |
| c Certainly. When would you like it for? | _____ |
| d Hello, I'd like to make an appointment to see Dr. Shaw, please. | 1 _____ |
| e Ramirez. | _____ |
| f OK. What's your last name? | _____ |
| g As soon as possible, please. | _____ |
| h Right, so the doctor will see you tomorrow at 3.45pm. | _____ |
| i Luis. | _____ |
| j Thank you. | _____ |
| k Well, the earliest appointment we have available is tomorrow afternoon at 3.45. | _____ |

B Match the sentences to find expressions you can use at the doctor's.

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| My neck aches.
I've got a sore throat.
I keep getting terrible headaches.
I've sprained my ankle.
I've cut my hand.
I keep coughing and sneezing.
I've got stomach ache. | It hurts to walk on it.
My whole head really hurts.
It's very painful.
I've got a bad cold.
It hurts when I swallow.
I've been sick.
I can't turn my head. |
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3 People, places or things?

A Write the words in the correct column. Use your dictionary to find the meaning of any words that you don't know.

paramedic	patient	midwife	thermometer
syringe	casualty department	bandage	nurse
plaster	pill	waiting room	ward
prescription	surgeon	stretcher	
doctor	surgery	hospital	

People
doctor

Places
hospital

Things
pill

B Now use some of these words to fill the gaps in the sentences below:

- 1 He was injured during the match, so they carried him away on a _____.
- 2 An experienced _____ carried out the operation.
- 3 Take this _____ to the chemist's to get your medicine.
- 4 The ambulance rushed him to the _____ of the local hospital.
- 5 When she broke her arm, the nurse put it in _____.
- 6 Dr Shaw will see _____s between 8.30 and 11.00 a.m.
- 7 Which _____ is Dilip in? I want to go and visit him.
- 8 The nurse took my temperature with a _____.

