My name is .....I'm in class.....

Date: .....

READING

At the Doctor's



I. Read the text.

John's illness

It is early spring now and many people catch cold. A month ago, I suddenly fell ill. I ran a high temperature. I sneezed and had a sore throat. Also, I had a headache and a cough. My whole body ached. My mother made hot tea for me but that didn't help me much. She wanted to give me some pills too, but there weren't any in our house. My mother told me to stay in bed, then she called a doctor. The doctor came. He examined my lungs, felt my pulse and took my temperature. He said that I had had the flu and told me to stay in bed and to have a rest. He prescribed me the treatment. My mother bought me all the necessary pills and other medicine at the chemist's. I followed all the doctor's instructions and very soon I felt much better. In ten days, I fully recovered and went to school again.



Say if the statement is true or false.

1. Many people catch cold in early spring. _____
2. John didn't run a high temperature. _____
3. John's mother gave him some pills and they brought down the temperature. _____
4. The mother told John to stay in bed. _____
5. The doctor said that John had to go to hospital. _____
6. The doctor prescribed the pills that were hard to get at the chemist's. _____
7. Soon John felt much better because he had followed the doctor's advice. _____
8. John returned to school in five days. _____

II. Read the text and do the following tasks.

1. Write the verbs in brackets in Past Simple.

Brian a)_____ (to go) to the doctor. His mother b)_____ (to take) him there for a checkup. He also needed to get a flu shot, so he c)_____ (to be) a little nervous.

After Brian and his mother d)_____ (to arrive) at the doctor's office, they e)_____ (to sit) in the waiting room for about ten minutes. Then a nurse f)_____ (to call) for Brian. He and his mother went to another smaller room and the nurse

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g)_____ (to tell) Brian to step on a scale. She weighed him and measured his height. Next, the nurse h)_____ (ask) him some questions.

2. Choose the correct word.



1. A) lungs; B) legs; C) head; D) throat.
2. A) do you; B) don't you; C) are you; D) did you.
3. A) treatment; B) medicine; C) shot; D) visit.
4. A) cabinet; B) room; C) hall; D) office.

When the doctor came into the room, he listened to Brian's heart and [1]_____ with a stethoscope. He checked Brian's eyes, ears, nose, mouth, and other parts of his body. He was a very nice doctor.

At the end of the visit, the nurse returned with a small syringe. "This is going to be fast and easy," said the nurse. "You don't want to get the flue, [2]_____?" The nurse rubbed a little alcohol on his upper arm. Brian turned his face away. He knew the [3]_____ was necessary. Soon it was over.

After the visit to the doctor's [4]_____, Brian and his mother went to the park. Brian was happy to know that he won't need another shot until next year when he visits the doctor again

III. Read the text.

A man goes to his doctor and says, "I think my wife's hearing isn't good. What should I do?" The doctor replies, "Try this test to find out for sure. Stand ten steps behind her and ask her a question, if she doesn't answer, she really has a problem with hearing". The man goes home and sees his wife cooking. He stands ten steps behind her and says, "What's for dinner, honey?" He gets no answer, so he moves closer and asks again and again. Finally, he stands directly behind her and says, "What's for dinner?" She replies, "For the fourth time, I SAID CHICKEN!"

Answer the questions.

1. Why did the man go to the doctor?
2. What did the doctor tell the man to do?
3. Why did the man have to repeat his question several times?
4. When do you go to the doctor?

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