

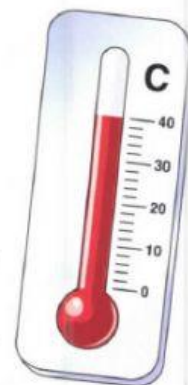
2 Fever

1 Talk about it

A fever is when our body temperature increases because of an infection. A normal body temperature is about 37°C. If you have a fever it can rise to 40°C or more.

1 Have you ever had a fever? 2 How did you feel? 3 How long did it last?

2  Look at the photos below and discuss what you think the text is about.



What is malaria?

Malaria is a very serious disease which infects 300 to 500 million people every year. It is most common in hot tropical countries in the Americas, Asia and Africa. One person dies every second from malaria.

What causes malaria?

A lot of mosquitoes in hot tropical countries carry a parasite which causes malaria. When a mosquito bites a person, the parasite can get into the blood – they don't need to infect **much** blood to make someone very ill.



What are the symptoms?

If you have malaria you will experience **many** symptoms, such as a high fever, headaches and being sick.

How can we stop people getting malaria?

Although there are **plenty of** vaccines which protect us from diseases, there is no vaccine for malaria yet. So all families need to sleep under mosquito nets which are treated with chemicals that make the mosquitoes stay away. For families with **little** money, an organisation called 'Malaria No More' does **a lot of** work to get mosquito nets to them. The nets are so big that **several** people from the same family can sleep under one net. This means that more people can live a healthy life, free from the disease.



3 Read

Read the text. Are sentences 1 to 6 **true** or **false**?

- 1 Malaria is unusual in hot, tropical countries.
- 2 Malaria is a deadly disease.
- 3 Mosquitoes carry a parasite which causes the disease.
- 4 A high temperature is a symptom of malaria.
- 5 There are a lot of vaccines which prevent malaria.
- 6 Mosquito nets help stop malaria infection.

4 Read the *Use of English* box and sort the words in blue into the correct column.

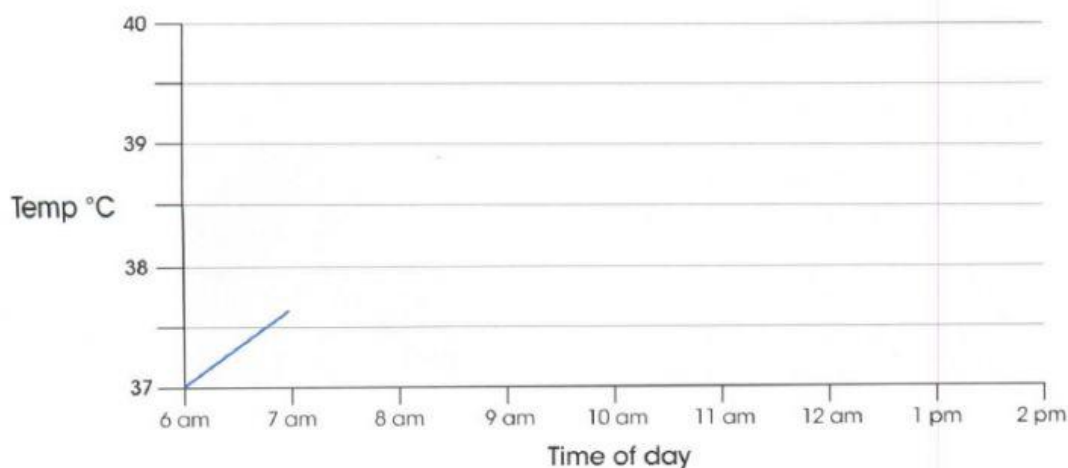
Countable	Uncountable	Both
a few	much	some
1 ...	any	no
	2 ...	4 ...
	3 ...	5 ...

5 Talk

What do you think of the charity Malaria No More?
Do you know of any charities in your country? How do they help?

9 6 Listen

Listen, copy and complete the graph showing how Kodjo's temperature rose and fell when he had the flu.



Reading strategy: Making predictions

Before we read a text we can use visual clues to help us identify what a text is about.

Use of English

Quantifiers

A quantifier expresses quantity.

Countable nouns: There are **a lot of** mosquitoes in hot countries.

Uncountable nouns: For families with **little** money ...

Both: You should drink **plenty of** water when you are ill. / There are **plenty of** vaccines.

All the water is gone.

