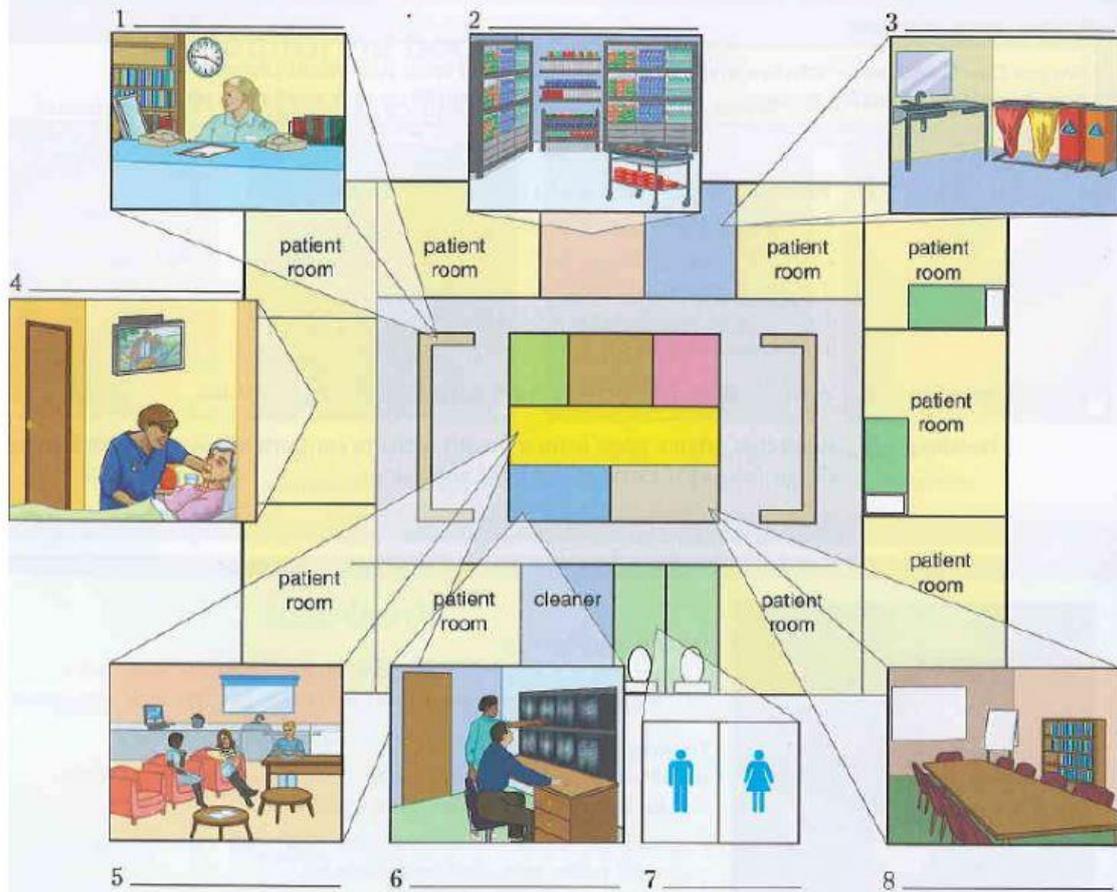


# The patient ward

**Vocabulary 1** Work in pairs. Label this floor plan of a patient ward with the words in the box.

clean supply room   conference room   nurses' lounge   nurses' station  
patient room   physicians' area   soiled utility room   visitors' toilet



**Pronunciation 2** 17 Underline the stressed syllables in each of the sections of the patient ward in 1. Then listen, check your answers and repeat.

## Language

### Prepositions of place

We use **prepositions of place** (*at, on, in, under, next to, near, down, etc.*) to say where something is.

Your father's room is **down** the hall.  
The nurses' station is **on** the left/right.  
The physicians' area is **next to** the conference room.

**3** Choose the correct words in *italics*.

- 1 The nurses' lounge is *in* / *on* the left.
- 2 The clean supply room is *next* / *near* to the soiled utility room.
- 3 The meeting room isn't *in* / *on* this floor.
- 4 The conference room is *down* / *under* the hall, *at* / *on* your right.
- 5 Dr Evans is *in* / *on* the physicians' area.

## Language

### There is/There are

We use **there is/there are** to say that somebody or something exists.

Affirmative	<b>There's (is)</b> a thermometer in the clean supply room. (singular)
	<b>There are</b> two beds in the patient room. (plural)
Negative	<b>There isn't (is not)</b> a bandage on his leg. (singular)
	<b>There aren't (are not)</b> any clean blankets in the soiled utility room. (plural)
Question	<b>Is there</b> a toilet in the ward? (singular) Yes, <b>there is</b> ./No, <b>there isn't (is not)</b> .
	<b>Are there</b> any blankets in the clean supply room? (plural) Yes, <b>there are</b> ./No, <b>there aren't (are not)</b> .

### 4 Complete these sentences with the correct form of *there is* or *there are*.

- \_\_\_\_\_ a conference room next to the physicians' area. (✓)
- \_\_\_\_\_ two visitors' toilets down the hall. (✓)
- \_\_\_\_\_ an X-ray machine in the physicians' area?
- \_\_\_\_\_ a soiled utility room next to the patient room. (X)
- \_\_\_\_\_ two beds in Mr Rabine's room?
- \_\_\_\_\_ any bandages in the clean supply room. (X)

### Listening 5 18 Steve and Kelly work in different hospitals. Listen to them talking about their workplaces and tick ✓ the rooms in each workplace.

Room	Kelly's workplace	Steve's workplace
conference room		
nurses' station		
patient room		
nurses' lounge		
visitors' toilet		

### 6 Listen again and answer these questions.

- What two things does Kelly like about her new job?
- How many patient rooms are there in Steve's ward?
- Are there any conference rooms in Kelly's ward?
- How many nurses' stations are there in Steve's ward?
- What can you find in the nurses' lounge in Steve's ward?

### Speaking 7 Work in pairs. Ask your partner questions about a patient department he/she knows. Then swap roles and repeat the activity.

A: *Is there a conference room?*

B: *Yes, there is.*

A: *Where is it?*

B: *It's next to the physicians' area.*