

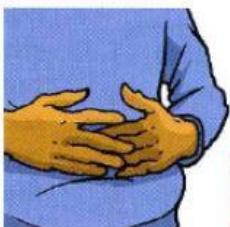
I can talk about illness

A Common problems 6

What's the matter?

I don't feel well.

I've got...



a headache

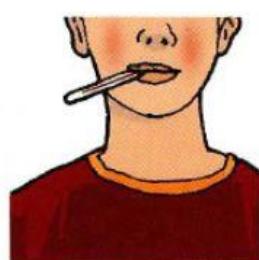
toothache

stomach-ache

a cold

a cough

a sore throat



flu

a temperature

a pain in my leg
also my leg hurts

backache

I feel sick

1 Circle the correct answer.

- I'm/I've got a temperature.
- 1 My back pain/hurts.
- 2 I feel/I've got a cold.
- 3 He doesn't feel/be well.
- 4 I feel/I've got toothache.
- 5 Do you feel/be sick?
- 6 My knee feels/hurts.

- 7 He's got flu/a flu?
- 8 Is/Has she got a temperature?
- 9 I hurt/I've got a pain in my eye.
- 10 Is/Has she got a temperature?
- 11 She is/s got a sore throat.
- 12 I don't feel/haven't got a cough.

spotlight **be ill/sick**

Ill means 'not well'.
Rafa's not here today; he's ill.
Be sick usually means to bring up food from your stomach (also **vomit**).
If you **feel sick**, you think you are going to **be sick**.

2 Complete the sentences.

- I had to stand up for ten hours; now I've got backache.
- 1 She has always smoked a lot, and now she's got a bad ...
- 2 He's got a ... – look, it's 39 degrees.
- 3 I walked 20 kilometres today, and my feet ...
- 4 What's the ...? You look terrible. ~ I don't feel ...
- 5 I ate too much at lunch and now I've got ...
- 6 My little boy had four ice creams and now he feels ...
- 7 I've got a temperature and a terrible headache. I think I've got ...
- 8 I can't eat anything; I've got a sore ...

B What should I do?



Glossary

go and see go to, visit

GP (General Practitioner) family doctor

chemist's shop where you get medicine (also **pharmacy**)

lie down



for a while for a short time

stay in bed go to bed and not get up

for a day or two for a short time (not more than three days)

spotlight **should + verb**

You use **should** when you tell people what you think is the best thing for them to do. **Should** is used for giving advice.

*I feel terrible. ~ You **should** go to bed. You **shouldn't** go to work today.*

There are more practice exercises on the CD-ROM.

4 Cross out one word you don't need in each sentence.

- I don't feel ~~me~~ very well.
- 1 You should to go to the chemist's.
- 2 Go and lie ~~you~~ down for a while.
- 3 Go and see your GP doctor.
- 4 Stay in the bed and don't do anything.

- 5 Go to bed for a day or two days.
- 6 You should go and to see your doctor.
- 7 You shouldn't don't go to work today.
- 8 Lie down for the a while.

5 Write some advice to people using **should** and the word in brackets.

- I've got a cold. (chemist's) You should go to the chemist's.

- 1 I've got backache. (lie) _____
- 2 My ear hurts. (pharmacy) _____
- 3 I've got a sore throat, a cough and a temperature. (stay) _____
- 4 I feel sick. (while) _____
- 5 I've got flu. (GP) _____