

Name:

Date:

Talking about illness

A. What are the symptoms for :

a cold: _____

a flu: _____

measles: _____

a chest infection: _____

food poisoning: _____

hayfever: _____

migraine: _____

travel sickness: _____

head lice: _____

tooth decay: _____

an ear infection: _____

stress: _____

depression: _____

sunstroke: _____

dehydration: _____

asthma: _____

an allergy: _____

Check with your partner if they wrote the same.

Have + articles

have + a / an

have + a pain in ...
a sore back / neck etc.
a temperature
a cold
a headache
a cough
a sore throat/ back/ neck
a rash
an infection
a chest infection
an ear infection
an allergy
an appetite

have + a/an

have + toothache
stomach-ache
earache
diarrhoea
measles
asthma
cancer
hayfever
food poisoning
high blood pressure

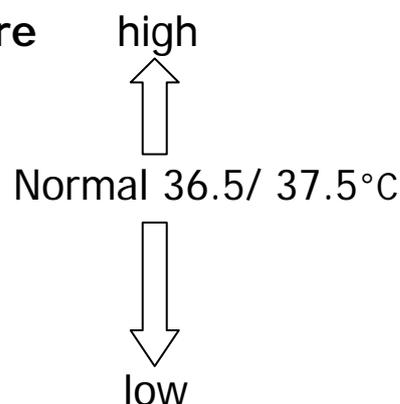
but sometimes we use the verb 'to be'

is + sick
ill
vomiting
pregnant
constipated
sweating
dizzy
weak
depressed

B. Write the sentence, use 'have' or 'to be' and the article if you need it.

1. He/ headache	<u>He has a headache</u>
2. Me/ chest infection	
3. My uncle / cancer	
4. My children/ asthma	
5. She/vomiting	
6. Fatuma's son/ear infection	
7. My baby/vomiting	
8. You/ sore throat	
9. Me/ cold	
10. Her daughter/measles	
11. My sister/pregnant	
12. My wife/ stomach-ache	
13. My son / constipated	
14. Amel/temperature	
15. John's mother/toothache	
16. Our baby/ diarrhoea	
17. Your husband/ cough	

c. Temperature



Average body temperature varies from 36.5 to 37.5°C. A fever is an abnormally high body temperature. You can use a thermometer to check body temperature.

Talking about temperature. Complete the sentences

1. My baby _____ a temperature.
2. She is very hot. She has a _____ temperature.
3. I need to _____ your temperature.
4. We use a _____ to take a person's temperature.
5. We should call the doctor her _____ is very high.
7. A very high temperature is called a _____.

D. We often use the possessive when we talk about illness or injury

e.g. I hurt **my** leg

She broke **her** leg

He has a pain in **his** chest

Complete the sentences

1. He fell and broke _____ arm.
2. I lifted something heavy I have a pain in _____ back.
3. My son fell off his bike and sprained _____ ankle.
4. He went to the doctor. The doctor listened to _____ heart.
5. Did you hurt _____ hand?
6. My children bumped _____ heads.
7. David broke _____ neck in a road accident.
8. She has a bruise on _____ leg.
9. We got sunburn on _____ arms.
10. My daughter cut her finger. I put a plaster on _____ finger.

E. Fill in the missing word.

1. Her baby can't eat nuts, she has an _____ to nuts.
2. A bee _____ me in the garden. It was very sore.
3. My child is not eating. She has no _____.
4. My husband has a bad cough. He might have a _____ infection.
5. She's very hot. I need to check her _____ with the thermometer.
6. His wife is _____ to penicillin.
7. She finds it difficult to breathe sometimes. She has _____.

F. What is it? Match the definition

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| 1. a medical condition that makes it difficult to breathe | a. infection |
| 2. an illness that affects the eyes, nose and throat caused by breathing in pollen produced by plants | b. malaria |
| 3. an illness caused by bacteria | c. asthma |
| 4. a very serious disease caused by lumps in the body | d. cholera |
| 5. an illness caused by eating food that is bad | e. hay fever |
| 6. a disease caused by drinking polluted water | f. food poisoning |
| 7. a disease caused by a mosquito bite | g. cancer |

Which are the most serious illnesses ?
