

## UNIT 4 The District Nurse

Complete exercises 1a–d below. These exercises practise the following grammar points:

- adverbs of manner and frequency
- conjunctions
- prepositions of time
- *will* (*will* / *'ll* and *won't*)

For help with the exercises, you can find a *Grammar reference for Cambridge English for Nursing Pre-intermediate* at the following address [www.cambridge.org/elt/englishfornursing](http://www.cambridge.org/elt/englishfornursing).

**1 a** Look at these sentences that a District Nurse or patient might say. Complete the sentences with the correct adverb form of the word in brackets.

- 1 The skin around the wound is healing very nicely (nice).
- 2 He always smiles \_\_\_\_\_ (happy) when I come to visit.
- 3 Is it OK if I visit you fairly \_\_\_\_\_ (early) on Wednesday?
- 4 Are you coping \_\_\_\_\_ (good) on your own?
- 5 She fell (a) \_\_\_\_\_ (bad) last week and landed quite (b) \_\_\_\_\_ (hard) on her hip.

**b** Look at the pairs of sentences below. In each pair, put a tick (✓) next to the sentence which correctly uses the adverb in bold, and a cross (X) next to the sentence which uses the adverb incorrectly.

- 1 a The District Nurse comes **usually** on a Friday. X  
b The District Nurse **usually** comes on a Friday ✓
- 2 a I'll **yet** get your walking frame for you.  
b I'll **just** get your walking frame for you.
- 3 a Hold **tightly** the grab bar in the shower so you **accidentally** don't fall over.  
b Hold the grab bar **tightly** in the shower so you don't **accidentally** fall over.
- 4 a Have you spoken to the District Nurse **yet**?  
b Have you **yet** spoken to the District Nurse?
- 5 a I need **just** to explain a few things to you.  
b I **just** need to explain a few things to you.
- 6 a You **also** need to clean your mouth **carefully** before you use the inhaler.  
b You need to clean **also** your mouth before you use the inhaler **carefully**.
- 7 a Don't forget to shake the mixture **well** before you take it.  
b Don't forget to shake **well** the mixture before you take it.
- 8 a **Never** he can remember to take his tablets.  
b He can **never** remember to take his tablets.
- 9 a Don't worry, Mr Rowan. I'm **just** outside the door. I haven't gone home **yet**.  
b Don't worry **yet**, Mr Rowan. I'm outside the door. I **just** haven't gone home.
- 10 a I'm afraid I **only** can visit you on Tuesdays and Thursdays.  
b I'm afraid I can **only** visit you on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

**C** Look at these sentences that a District Nurse might say. Match the beginnings with the endings. Use the words in bold to help you.

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|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 Can you put your leg up                        | a <b>by</b> the end of the week, I'll get the doctor to come. |
| 2 Do you want to go to the toilet                | b <b>until</b> we need it.                                    |
| 3 Your walking frame can stay outside the shower | c <b>for</b> six months.                                      |
| 4 If you're not feeling better                   | d <b>after</b> this date.                                     |
| 5 I'll put your feet on the nonslip mat          | e <b>when</b> you're ready for me to come back.               |
| 6 Just press the call bell                       | f <b>so</b> I can have a look at it?                          |
| 7 Please visit her every week                    | g <b>but</b> I'm happy to help you.                           |
| 8 The doctor will need to see her again          | h <b>before</b> I take you to the shower?                     |
| 9 You must throw the eye drops away              | i <b>in</b> six months.                                       |
| 10 I know it can be embarrassing                 | j <b>because</b> I don't want you to slip.                    |

**d** Look at these sentences a nurse might say. Put a tick (✓) next to the correct sentences, and correct the mistakes in the incorrect sentences.

- ~~don't~~
- 1 If you ~~won't~~ hear the doorbell, I'll let myself in with the key.
  - 2 I'll help you into the shower once the dressing will be ready.
  - 3 I'll let you know when she'll come back to the office.
  - 4 Can you lift up for me and I'll put the bedpan under you?
  - 5 I'll give you this bell in case you'll have any problems and need me to come.
  - 6 Make sure you take these tablets before you'll eat.
  - 7 You must rinse your mouth with water after you use it.
  - 8 Please keep taking these tablets until they'll all be finished.
  - 9 I'll wait outside while you'll go to the toilet.
  - 10 I know it hurts, so I'll be as quick as I can.

**Extension**

Write a short conversation between a District Nurse and a patient. Use all of these words at least once: *quickly, carefully, well, easily, just, still, also, if, when, while, in case, before, after.*