

Unit 12 Communicating with children and adolescents

Vocabulary from the book

be off one's food
 be someone's fault
 blame oneself
 bug
 condom
 cramps
 diarrhoea
 disappointed
 do a poo
 feel poorly
 frightened
 hardly feel a thing
 have a wee
 have diarrhoea
 injection
 jab
 (it) keeps him/her/me awake
 measles
 nasty cough
 nauseous
 nose bleed
 open your bowels
 pass water
 pick up (an illness or disease)
 poorly
 reassure
 runny tummy
 scar
 scared
 sprain
 terrified
 the runs

Additional vocabulary

awful
 belly
 bunged up
 go to the loo
 have a pee
 pass a motion
 penis
 pukey
 queasy
 the call of nature
 the cap
 unwell
 use the bathroom
 waterworks
 willy

Exercise 1

Match the words in the two columns to make a common useful phrase from the unit.

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| 1 runny | a cough |
| 2 open | b bleed |
| 3 pass | c oneself |
| 4 nasty | d poorly |
| 5 blame | e one's food |
| 6 hardly feel | f him awake |
| 7 be off | g water |
| 8 keeps | h tummy |
| 9 feel | i your bowels |
| 10 nose | j a thing |

Exercise 2

Match the standard words in the left-hand column with their everyday informal equivalents. Write a 'c' next to three words that you think might be used more by children.

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| 1 diarrhoea | a have a wee |
| 2 infectious illness | b a jab |
| 3 nauseous | c nasty |
| 4 stomach | d poorly |
| 5 open your bowels | e sick |
| 6 an injection | f bug |
| 7 penis | g tummy |
| 8 pass water | h the runs |
| 9 severe | i do a poo |
| 10 unwell | j willy |

Exercise 3

Put the following words and phrases into the correct column.

the runs to do a poo to have a wee to pass water to open your bowels
 to have a pee to use the bathroom to go to the loo waterworks
 to pass a motion to go to the toilet the call of nature

urine	excrement	either

Exercise 4

Identify which one out of the following groups of words is the odd one out.

1	sick	poorly	nauseous	queasy
2	diarrhoea	the runs	bunged up	runny tummy
3	scared	frightened	terrified	disappointed
4	do a poo	have a wee	urinate	pass water
5	nasty	nauseous	horrible	awful
6	tummy	belly	cramp	stomach
7	the cap	condom	the pill	bug
8	a jab	an injection	a nasty scar	a shot

Exercise 5

Fill the gaps with suitable words from the unit.

- Child:** I didn't mean to hurt myself; it was an accident.
Doctor: Now Sarah, don't _____ yourself; of course it wasn't your fault.
- Doctor:** Oh dear, that is a nasty cut!
Patient: Mmm, yes, I'm worried it's going to leave a _____.
- Patient and 7 year old son:** Mark has told me that his _____ hurts; he says it's been bad since he ate some fish at school two days ago. And he has also had a _____ tummy since last night; he was up four or five times in the night to go to the toilet.
- Doctor:** Oh dear, yes, that does sound like a very _____ cough that you have there; I wonder where you _____ that up from.
- Patient:** I keep getting _____ in my left leg. My friend said it could be because I don't eat enough salt but I have never had this problem before.
- Doctor:** And how has your appetite been?
Patient: To be honest, I'm really _____ my food at the moment; I rarely eat a proper meal; I tend to just pick at things when I feel a bit peckish.
- Doctor:** Well, I think it's quite clear what you've done, Simon; you have _____ your wrist; it's not broken but no more tennis for you for some time, I'm afraid.
- Doctor:** And has Sarah had any of the common childhood diseases yet? You know, _____, mumps, chicken-pox.

If you are having difficulty, here are the words for the exercise.

scar off blame sprained cramps nasty runny picked measles stomach