

Doctors

Word Forms:

- doctor (n) When people are sick, they often go to see a doctor.

Related Words:

- physician (n) "Physician" is a more formal word for "doctor".
- nurse (n) Nurses help doctors to take care of people.
- patient (n) Most doctors see many different patients in one day.
- hospital (n) Many doctors work in a hospital.
- clinic (n) Clinics are smaller and simpler than hospitals.
- medicine (n) Doctors sometimes give their patients medicine to help them get better.
- sick (adj) "Do you often get sick?"
- sickness (n) "What kind of sickness do you have?"
- disease (n) Diseases are more serious than sicknesses.
- cure (v) Some diseases are very difficult to cure.
- heal (v) "My broken foot hasn't healed yet. I still can't walk on it."

Exercises:

1. In _____, you can find _____, _____, and _____?
2. "If you don't get enough sleep, you will probably get _____."
3. "Is there any kind of _____ I can take to _____ this _____?"

Questions:

1. How often do you go to see a doctor? For what reasons do you see a doctor?
2. Have you ever stayed overnight in a hospital because you were sick? If so, what was the problem?
3. What do you think is the worst sickness or disease a person could have? Why?

Bible Readings:

1. "Jesus went around visiting all the towns and villages...and healed people with every kind of disease and sickness." (Matthew 9:35, TEV)
2. "Four men [carried] a paralyzed man to Jesus...Jesus said to the paralyzed man, 'My son, your sins are forgiven'.....[Later] Jesus said to the man, 'Get up, pick up your mat, and go home'...The man got up, picked up his mat and hurried away." (Mark 2:3,5,11-12, TEV)
3. Jesus said, "Healthy people don't need a doctor; those who are sick do. I've come to call sinners, not people who think they don't have any flaws." (Mark 2:17, God's Word)
4. "Christ himself carried our sins in his body to the cross...It is by his wounds that you have been healed." (1 Peter 2:24, TEV)

Questions:

1. Does Jesus have power to heal diseases and sicknesses? (reading 1)
2. When one paralyzed man was brought to Jesus, what did Jesus first do? Why do you think he did that before he healed the man's body? (reading 2)

3. What do you think Jesus meant in reading #3?
4. What did Jesus do to heal us? What kind of healing is this? (reading 4)