

REAL VOCABULARY AT HOSPITAL SCRIPT

QUESTION / ANSWER: **At the hospital**

DOCTOR: Alright then, how are we doing today?

YOU: We are very worried, to be honest.

DOCTOR: So, what's the matter?

YOU: My son fainted and has a severe bloody nose.

DOCTOR: Have you taken his temperature?

YOU: No, we came to the hospital as soon as we could.

DOCTOR: I see. Let me take a look. I'm going to measure his blood pressure and take his temp. [directing his talk to the son] Alright buddy, we're gonna get you feeling better in no time. I'm gonna have you stick your tongue out and up like this [mimics movement] so that I can take your temperature, okay? [takes temperature, talks to mom while doing this] Anything else you can tell me about what's going on?

YOU: Well, he had a rough day. Said he has diarrhea, an upset stomach, and felt like vomiting.

DOCTOR: Mm-hm... [looks at temperature] Looks like we have a high fever, with a temperature of about 101.

YOU: Oh dear...

DOCTOR: Let's check your blood pressure. Arm out in front of you please. [kid puts arm out] There we go. [he wraps the band to check the

pressure] Okay, yup, we have 89 over 60, this is definitely low, not normal.

YOU: Doctor, what a typical blood pressure for child that's 8-year old?

DOCTOR: For a kid of his age, usually numbers should be about 120 over 80. So, we need to bring this up a bit. Any other symptoms? Blurry vision, dizziness, weakness in the body or shortness of breath?

YnOU: He did faint earlier, so he was lightheaded and dizzy. And I also mentioned he felt sick to his stomach and threw up, right?

DOCTOR: Alright, let's check one more thing. [talking to kid] I'm gonna listen to your breath, ok? This might be a little cold on your back. [checks breathing] Deep breath in [kid breathes], and out. Again, big breath inward, and outward. One more time, huge inhale, and.... Exhale. There we go. ... Everything sounds normal.

YOU: What a relief.

DOCTOR: It doesn't look like we have any serious problems here. Just make sure he's eating regular, consistent small meals several times a day. Having a stable schedule of snacks to munch on is helpful. Also, remember, add more salt to foods, if necessary, and remind him to always drink plenty of water.

YOU: Thanks doctor. We are really grateful for your help.

DOCTOR: If the fever stays high, 102 or higher, I'd like you to come back in to see me, okay?

YOU: Will do. Thanks again.