

**Daily Life - Going to the Doctor** (C0234)

Doctor Evans: Good afternoon Chloe, I'm Doctor Evans.  
What seems to be the problem?

Chloe: Hi, Dr Evans. Thanks for seeing me on such short notice. When I woke up this morning I had a really sore throat and a really bad cough. I think I am coming down with the flu.

Doctor Evans: Ah I see, yes you do sound rather croaky.  
Well let's have a look, shall we? Could you please open your mouth and say "ah".

Chloe: "Ahhhhhhhhh"

Doctor Evans: Good, yes, your tonsils are a little swollen and red. How are your ears, blocked at all?

Chloe: A little actually. My sinuses are a little blocked up as well – I really feel terrible.

Doctor Evans: Ok Chloe, can you please breathe in and out slowly for me while I listen to your chest? You really are all bunged up, you don't sound too good at all. Ok I'm going to set you up with a bunch of antibiotics. You will need to take these orange pills twice a day and these blue pills every evening. You will also have to take this cough medicine three times a day after meals. Finally, I am giving you an inhaler to use every time you feel breathless. . . just to clear up your lungs!

Chloe: Whoa! So many drugs. . . . I hate swallowing pills. Am I able to go to work?

Doctor Evans: Absolutely not! You are highly contagious! You don't want to infect the rest of your co-workers do you? I recommend staying in bed for at least three days and drinking plenty of fluids so you don't get weak and dehydrated. You can catch up on all the latest tv shows and movies!

Chloe: Ok! Would you mind writing me a doctor's note for work, otherwise they may think I am faking it!

Doctor: Ha-ha, sure not a problem! Here you are.  
Evans: Now off you go and away to bed. If you have any questions just give me a call! Feel better soon and take care.

Chloe: Thanks doc, bye!

### Key Vocabulary

swollen	<i>A</i>	some parts are bigger than others due to a certain
come down with	<i>P</i>	get sick
antibiotics	<i>N</i>	chemical substance that can kill a virus
contagious	<i>A</i>	having a sickness that other people can catch
a doctor's note	<i>P</i>	note from doctor explaining a patient's absence due to sickness
dehydrated	<i>V</i>	not having enough water in the body

breathless	<i>A</i>	unable to take enough air into your lungs
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### Supplementary Vocabulary

injection	<i>N</i>	a liquid injected into the body for medicinal purposes by use of a needle
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waiting room	<i>N</i>	a room for people to wait before going in to see the doctor
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stethoscope	<i>N</i>	instrument used for listening to sounds produced within the body, such as the heartbeat
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otoscope	<i>N</i>	instrument for examining the interior of the ear, especially the eardrum, consisting essentially of a magnifying lens and a light
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examining (exam) room	<i>N</i>	a small room where a physician may examine a patient with some privacy
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