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More British people fixing their own teeth

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INTRODUCTION

CEF Learning Goal:

Talk about buying things in a pharmacy.

Talk about how you relate to the topic, use the new vocabulary,
and practice using prepositional phrases like “rather than”.

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WARM-UP



GETTING STARTED

How often do you go to the dentist?

Is going to the dentist expensive in your country?

Have you ever bought medicine for your teeth at a pharmacy?



01 VOCABULARY CORNER

1. **Repair** (v.) - If you repair something that has been damaged or is not working properly, you mend it.
2. **Dentist** (n.) - A dentist is a person who is qualified to examine and treat people's teeth.
3. **Afford**
4. **Filling** (n.) - A filling is a small amount of metal or plastic that a dentist puts in a hole in a tooth to prevent further decay.

01 VOCABULARY CORNER

1. **Fairly** (adv.) - You use fairly instead of 'very' to add emphasis to an adjective or adverb without making it sound too forceful.
2. **Community** (n.) - The community is all the people who live in a particular area or place.
3. **Rather** (prep. phrase) - You use rather than when you are contrasting two things or situations.
4. **Haircut** (n.) - If you have a haircut, someone cuts your hair for you.

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DISCUSSION

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02 Reading

People can now **repair** their own teeth with special dental kits that cost as little as \$7. People are buying them because they cannot **afford** a **dentist**. A **filling** in Britain can cost \$70 - ten times higher than the price of the dental kit. One dental kit was sold 250,000 last year. A dental group said around 20 per cent of people in Britain will try dentistry on their own teeth or the teeth of their family. This includes pulling out a tooth.

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DISCUSSION

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03 Reading time cont...

Britain is famous for its free health service, but this does not include dental work. “DIY” dentistry is popular in Britain because there is a lot of poor people in the country. A spokeswoman for a local **community** said: "DIY dentistry is **fairly** common here, and you've got people taking care of their whole family's teeth." The dental group said people would **rather** spend their money on a **haircut** than on their teeth. It said some people think the dentist is important and others don't.

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DISCUSSION

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REVIEW DISCUSSION

- According to the article, why do people in Britain buy special dental kits?
- How much does a filling cost in England?
- How many dental kits were sold last year?
- What does “DIY” mean?
- Why is “DIY” dentistry popular in Britain?





SPEAKING TASK

In Britain, people buy dental kits at pharmacies.

What things do people usually buy at pharmacies in your country?

Some people don't like taking medicine when they are sick.

How do you feel about taking medicine?

In Britain, a dental kit costs about 7 pounds. Does this seem expensive?

How much do you usually spend on medicine at the pharmacy?

For example, how much does flu medicine cost?



SPEAKING TASK

What do you think about the article? Take turns discussing the following question.

Would you rather go to a dentist to repair your tooth or go to a pharmacy to repair your tooth? Remember to use the words and phrases that we learned in the lesson.

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ASSESSMENT

Put it into practice

Dentist	Rather	Filling	Community
Fairly	Afford	Repair	Haircut



1. A woman drove her car to the garage to have it _____.
2. My parents are so poor, they can't even _____ a new refrigerator.
3. When I'm going out in the evening, I use the bike if I can _____ than the car.
4. I need to go to the dentist _____ soon. My front tooth is really sore.
5. He's well liked by people in the _____, because he's so friendly to all his neighbors.
6. Visit your _____ twice a year for a check-up and teeth cleaning.

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Thank you !

