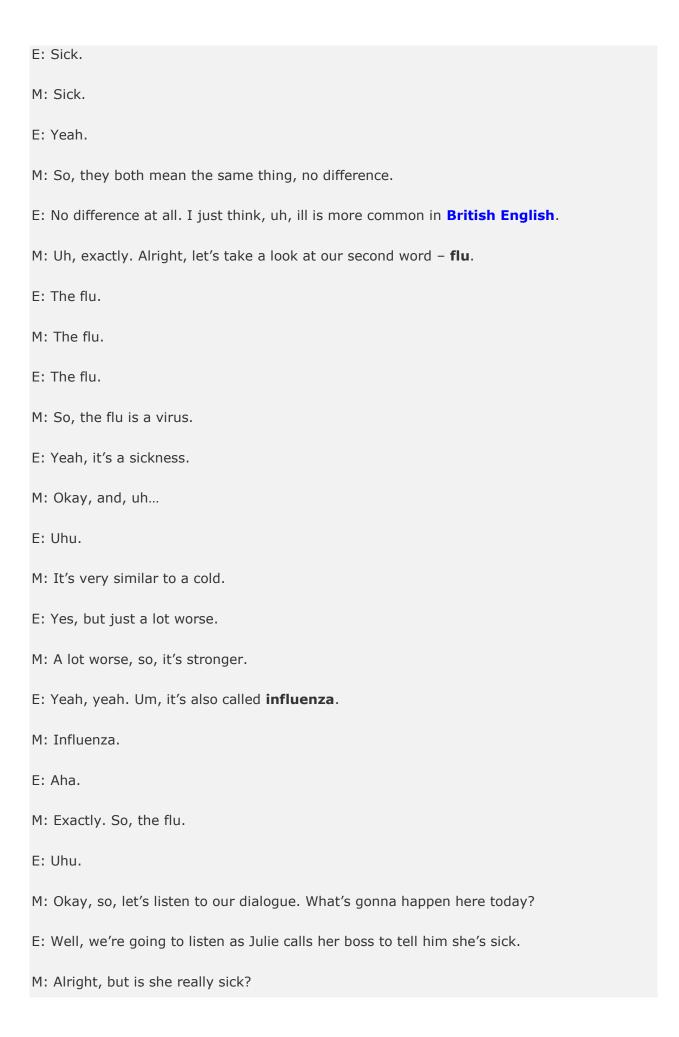
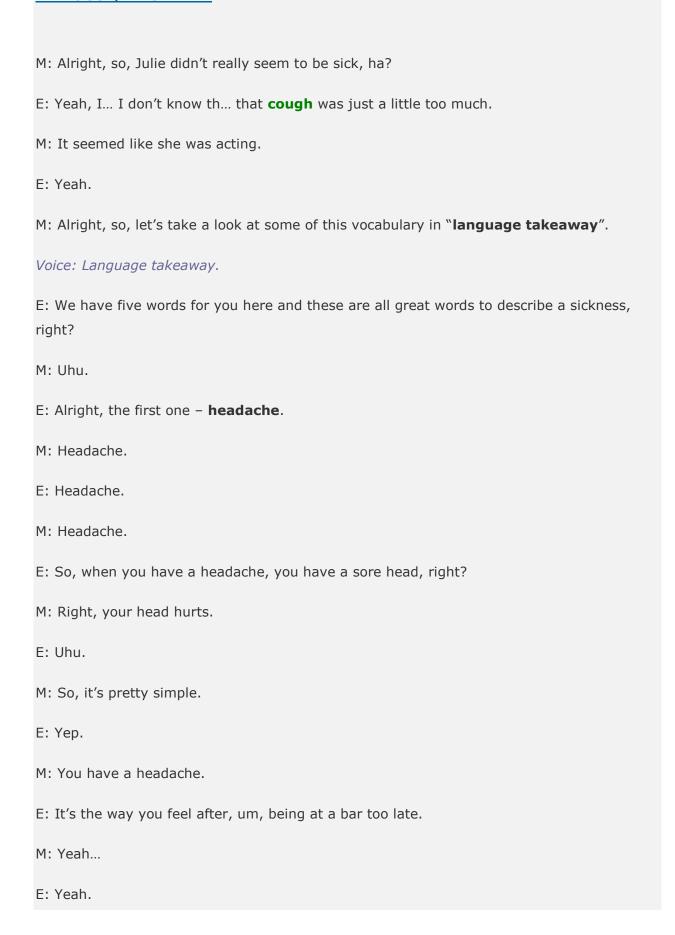
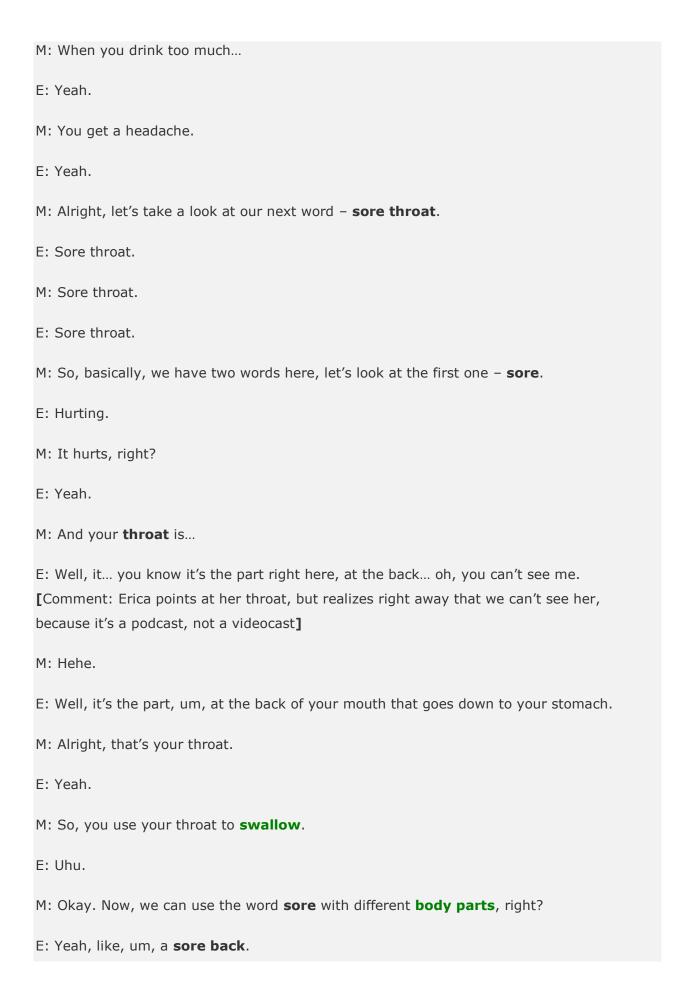
M: Hello English learners! Welcome to EnglishPod ! My name is Marco .
E: And I'm Erica.
M: And today we're gonna be bringing you a very useful lesson about being sick.
E: Yeah, um, we're going to learn, um, how to tell your boss that you can't go to work, because you're sick.
M: Exactly! This is really important, because we all get sick and sometimes you just can't go to work.
E: Yes! Or maybe sometimes you just don't want to go to work.
M: You just exactly, maybe you're lying.
E: Yeah.
M: But we're gonna be teaching you how to do it anyway, so, before we start with our dialogue, let's take a look at "vocabulary preview".
Voice: Vocabulary preview.
E: In this vocabulary preview we have two words for you. Uh, the first one is quite ill .
M: Quite ill.
E: Quite ill.
M: So, quite ill
E: Very sick.
M: Very sick.
E: Uhu.
M: Quite is a synonym of very.
E: Exactly!
M: Okay.
E: Yeah.
M: And ill

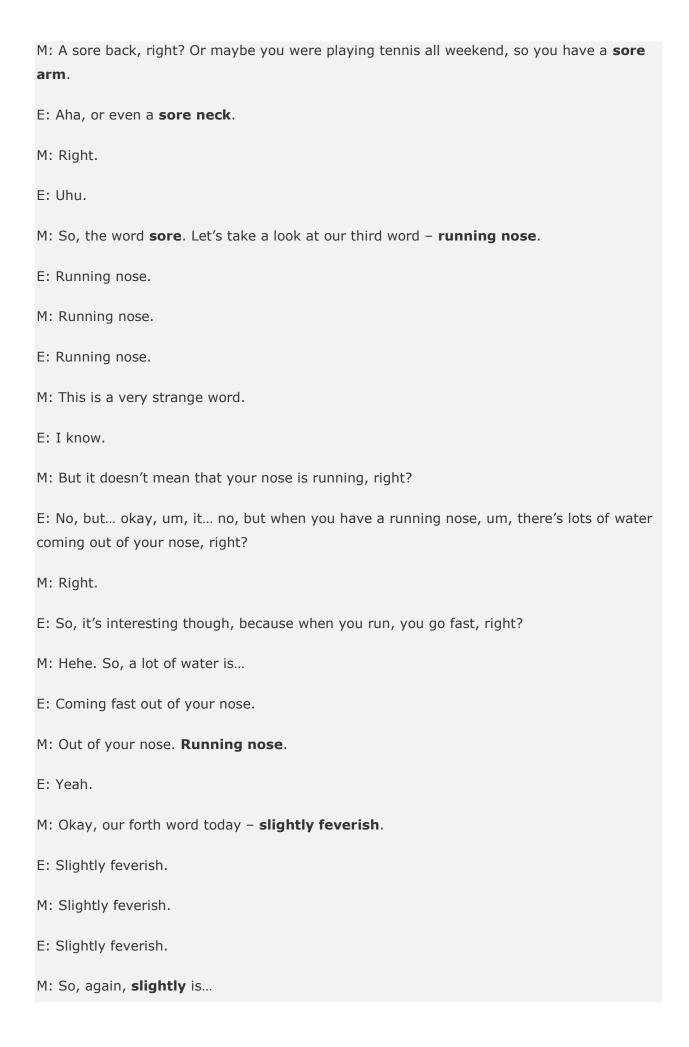


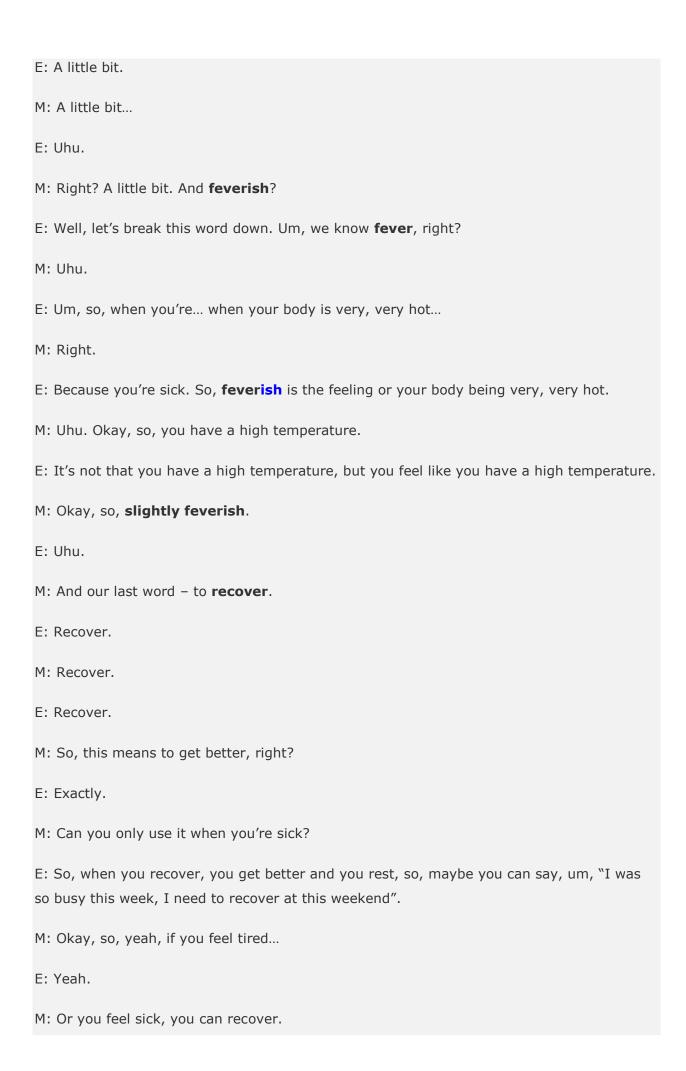
E: I don't know. Let's find out.

DIALOGUE, FIRST TIME









E: Uhu.

M: Okay, let's listen to our dialogue again and we can listen to these words that we've just talked about.

DIALOGUE, SECOND TIME

M: In this dialogue we listened to some really interesting phrases of how you can tell your boss that you're feeling sick, right?

E: Yeah, some great phrases, so, let's look at these in "fluency builder".

Voice: Fluency builder.

M: Okay, let's take a look at our first phrase on fluency builder – I'm coming down with.

E: I'm coming down with.

M: I'm coming down with.

E: I'm coming down with.

M: Alright, so, let's listen to some examples and then we'll come back and explain this interesting phrase.

Voice: Example one.

A: My throat really hurts. I think I'm coming down with a cold.

Voice: Example two.

B: You have a running nose. Are you coming down with the flu?

Voice: Example three.

C: I don't feel well. I think I'm coming down with something.

M: Okay, so, basically, coming down with means...

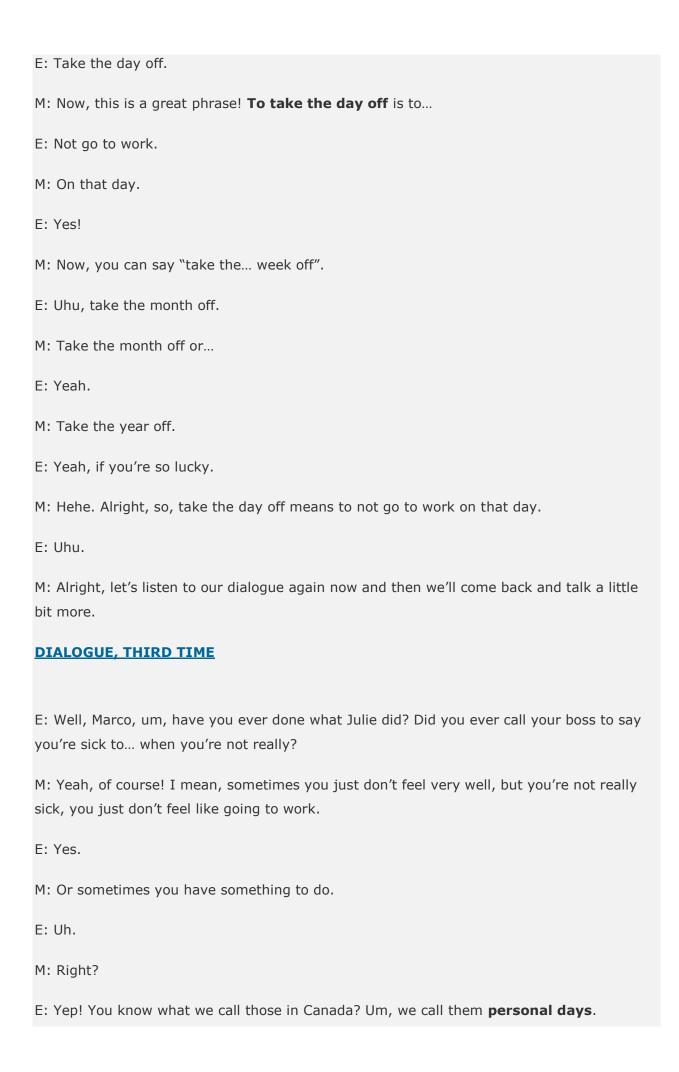
E: Starting to get sick.

M: Uh... um, beginning to feel sick.

E: Yes.

M: Okay, so, you can use it with "I'm coming down with the flu".

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E: Aha, I'm coming down with a cold.
M: Uhu. Or I'm coming down with a cough.
E: Yeah, or I'm coming down with something.
M: With something, you don't what it is.
E: Exactly.
M: Okay, let's take a look at our second phrase – calling in sick.
E: Calling in sick.
M: Okay, calling in sick.
E: So, this phrase is great! You know, when you say "I'm calling in sick"...
M: Uhu.
E: You're saying "hey I'm not going to come to work today, because I'm sick".
M: Okay, so, literally, it means that you call your office...
E: Yeah.
M: And you say you're not going to work.
E: Yes, um, but it's great, cause it's three words that show such a long idea.
M: Right, because otherwise you would have to say "I'm calling, because I don't feel well,
so, I'm not gonna go to work".
E: Yes!
M: But if you say "I'm calling in sick", everyone knows...
E: Everyone understands.
M: That you're not gonna go to work.
E: Yep.
M: Okay, now, let's take a look at our last phrase - take the day off.
E: Take the day off.
M: Take the day off.
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M: Personal days. E: Yeah! So, you say "oh, I'm gonna take a personal day"... M: Ouh. E: Meaning I'm gonna call in sick, but then go shopping. M: Hehe. We used to do that a lot, because, for example, soccer games are such a big deal. E: Oh, yeah! M: And, you know, sometimes you would have, ah, a soccer match between, I don't know, Brazil... and it would be maybe at 10 a.m. or 11 a.m., so, everyone would call in sick on that day. E: Yeah, so, the boss at least could plan that he would have an empty office. M: Yeah, or sometimes you would take half the day off. E: Uh. M: So, you would just go... you say "well, I'm not gonna make it in the morning, but I'll come in the afternoon". E: So, you would recover... M: A I... E: Very quickly. M: Yeah, I'm feeling a little bit sick, but I'm going to be better in the afternoon. E: Yeah. M: Alright, so, well, if you have any questions or comments, please come to our website and if you have any calling in sick stories, please let us know. E: Yes, you can visit us at **englishpod.com** and Marco and I are always there to answer your questions. M: Alright, folks, so, we'll see you next time. E: Thank for listening, good bye! M: Bye!