ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

At the Doctor’s Quiz: English Words for Feeling Ill

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Explanations

1. I ate too much cake. Now I ___. My stomach feels bad.
✔ **A) feel sick**
In British English, I feel sick means your stomach feels bad.

2. It hurts when I eat or talk. I’ve got a ___ throat.
✔ **B) sore**
We say a sore throat.

3. My stomach hurts. I’ve got stomach ___.
✔ **C) ache**
Stomach ache = your stomach hurts.

4. My ear hurts. I’ve got ___.
✔ **D) earache**
When your ear hurts, you’ve got earache.

5. It’s worse than a cold. I’ve got a temperature, and I’m in bed. It’s ___.
✔ **A) flu**
Flu is an illness that is worse than a cold, with a temperature.

6. I fell off my bike, and now my knee ___.
✔ **B) hurts**
We say my knee hurts.

7. Can I ___ an appointment with the doctor for today?
✔ **B) make**
We say make an appointment.

8. I’ve got an ___ with the dentist at 3:00.
✔ **D) appointment**
An appointment is a time when you agree to see the doctor or the dentist.

9. Please sit in the ___. The doctor can see you in ten minutes.
✔ **A) waiting room**
In the waiting room, you sit and wait to see the doctor.

10. The doctor ___ my throat and said, “It’s a bit red.”
✔ **D) examined**
The doctor examines you: he or she checks your body to find out what is wrong.

11. Take two ___ with water after breakfast.
✔ **C) tablets**
You take tablets with water when you are ill.

12. You can buy medicine at the ___. pharmacy
✔ **D) chemist’s**
In British English, the shop is the chemist’s. Americans say the pharmacy.

13. You’re very tired. Stay at home and ___.
✔ **A) rest**
Rest = stop and relax or sleep, so your body feels better.

14. Grandma was very ill, but she’s ___ better now.
✔ **B) getting**
Get better = become well again. She’s getting better.

15. In American English, I feel sick usually means ___.
✔ **C) I feel ill**
In American English, feel sick often means feel ill. In British English it means your stomach is bad.

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