

- A **surgeon** /'sɜːdʒən/ is a doctor who does operations.
 - An **operating theatre** is the place where you have an operation.
 - Asthma** /'æsmə/ is an illness which makes it difficult for you to breathe.
 - A **specialist** is a doctor who knows a lot about one area of medicine.
 - The **A&E department** is the part of a hospital where you go if you have an emergency.
 - An **allergy** /'ælədʒi/ is a medical problem that some people get when they eat, breathe or touch certain things.
 - A **migraine** is an extremely painful headache *that/which* can also make you feel sick.
 - A **ward** is a big room with beds in a hospital *where* patients receive medical treatment.
 - A **surgery** /'sɜːdʒəri/ is a building or an office *where* you can go and ask a GP or a dentist for medical advice.
 - A **GP** is a doctor *who/that* gives medical treatment to people *who/that* live in a particular area.
 - A **prescription** is a piece of paper *that/which* the doctor gives you so that you can get the medicine you need.
 - An **infection** is a disease in part of your body *that/which* is caused by bacteria or a virus.
- TIPS!** • We can also say that we are *allergic* /ə'liːdʒɪk/ to something: *My sister is allergic to eggs.*
- A **GP** = a general practitioner.

a runny nose when your nose produces liquid all the time, usually when you have a cold.

a rash a group of small red spots on the skin, often caused by allergies.

wheezy when you breathe noisily and with difficulty, particularly when you have asthma or an allergy.

hay fever an illness with symptoms similar to a cold that is caused by flowers or grass in the spring and summer.

diarrhoea /,daɪə'riə/ when you have to go to the toilet all the time.

sneeze when you blow air down through your nose suddenly, for example when you have a cold.

a virus /'vaɪrəs/ a very small living thing which can cause illnesses, disease and infections.

penicillin /,penɪ'sɪlɪn/ a type of antibiotic.

throw up (informal) be sick, vomit.

food poisoning when you eat some food that is bad and makes you ill.

paracetamol /,pærə'sɪtəməʊl/ a type of painkiller.

a blocked-up nose when you can't breathe through your nose.

Vocabulary

health	asthma an allergy hay fever flu a migraine
problems	a virus food poisoning an infection
symptoms	a runny nose a rash wheezy be sick diarrhoea a sore throat sneeze a temperature throw up a stomach ache a blocked-up nose
treatment	antibiotics painkillers pills penicillin paracetamol