

Lesson four Oral Practice

Exercise 1 Talking about sickness

A

1. Greet B and ask whether B has got used to the Beijing environment.
2. Tell B that that may be caused by B's not being used to a new place and climate.
3. Tell B that B might have got a cold. You don't think it is very serious, and it will be getting better in the next few days.

B

1. Tell A that you haven't yet. You have only been in Beijing a few days and you are already sick.
2. Tell A that its because of that that you began to cough and sneeze.
3. Tell A that not only is your cough getting worse, but you also have a bad headache, and your stomach is hurting too.

Exercise 2 Visiting a doctor (1)

A

1. Ask B what's wrong with B.
2. Ask B when it started.
3. Tell B that you want to give B an exam.
First you want to take B's temperature.
Tell B that B has a fever. It is 38.5 degree.

B

1. Tell A that you feel bad all over.
2. Tell A that it started a few days ago, and at the beginning you just had a cough, but while coughing, you also get a bad headache, and from yesterday evening you had diarrhea.
3. Say it's no wonder that you feel so bad.

Exercise 3 Visiting a doctor (2)

A

1. Tell B that from this morning you started vomit whenever you ate, and that you had diarrhea. You can't even drink milk.
2. Tell B that you have no idea. Since you arrived in Beijing, you have had eggs, bread, dumplings, cold noodles, and steamed meat stuffed buns, and you drank milk, soda, and tap water everyday.
3. Ask B what you ought to do now.
4. Ask B whether you need to take some medicine.

B

1. Tell A that that may be caused by A's reaction to a new place. Ask A whether A ate something that wasn't hygienic.
2. Tell A that you think A has eaten something bad. Tell A that A has to pay attention to the sanitation. Don't eat or drink where it looks unhygienic.
3. Advise A to drink more water, and eat less meat and cold or raw food.
4. Tell A to take the prescription to get medicine, and just stay home for a couple of days to rest.