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## Scope and sequence

Unit	Topic	Reading context	Vocabulary	Function
1	Hospital departments	Website	pathology, cardiology, pediatrics, pharmacy, radiology, surgery, obstetrics, orthopedics, dermatology, emergency	Describing locations
2	Hospital staff	Directory	anesthesiologist, cardiologist, lab technician, pediatrician, pharmacist, radiologist, general practitioner, surgeon, obstetrician, nurse	Giving an opinion
3	Hospital equipment	Poster	wheelchair, bedpan, oxygen tank, latex gloves, pressure mattress, gown, gauze, syringe, biohazard waste container, sharps container	Giving a reminder
4	Parts of the body 1	Article	finger, hand, wrist, elbow, arm, shoulder, toe, foot, ankle, knee, leg, hip	Investigating an injury
5	Parts of the body 2	Patient chart	torso, chest, back, waist, abdomen, groin, neck, shoulder blade, rib cage, small	Asking about pain
6	Parts of the body 3	Patient assessment	head, face, eyes, nose, lips, forehead, cheek, eyebrow, jaw, ears	Describing location
7	Respiratory system	Medical dictionary	respiratory system, lung, bronchial tube, alveoli, inhale, exhale, breathe, oxygen, emphysema, asthma	Delivering bad news
8	Circulatory system	Poster	circulatory system, heart, artery, aorta, vein, vena cava, pulmonary, capillary, atrium, valve	Explaining consequences
9	Digestive system	Advice column	digestive system, esophagus, stomach, small intestine, large intestine, colon, appendicitis, ulcer, colonoscopy	Explaining a procedure
10	First aid	First aid guide	first aid, assess, CPR, rescue breathing, pulse, shock, burn, bandage, pressure, wound, laceration	Providing reassurance
11	Common abbreviations	Patient evaluation	BP, Dx, HR, Rx, T, WNL, XR, SOB, c/o, o/e, HTN	Clarifying information
12	Measurements	Patient list	g, mg, mcg, cc, ml, tsp, Tbsp, gtt, oz, mEq	Confirming information
13	Administering medication	Patient chart	route of administration, dosage, P.O., PR, SQ, IM, SL, I.V., topical, administer	Listing options
14	Describing frequency	Patient list	BID, TID, QID, PRN, stat, qh, ahs, ac, pc, QOD	Describing frequency
15	Maintaining hygiene	Email	antimicrobial, bacteria, disinfectant, infection, virus, antibiotic, biohazard, transmit, quarantine, facemask, contagious	Giving advice



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# 1 Hospital departments



## Reading

2 Read the website about a hospital's departments. Then, mark the following statements as true (T) or false (F).

- 1 — Dr. Silver's department performs organ transplants.
- 2 — Dr. Howard's and Dr. Locke's departments work with all other hospital departments.
- 3 — The pharmacy is closed on Sundays.

## Vocabulary

3 Match the words (1-5) with the definitions (A-E).

- |                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1 — pediatrics  | 4 — dermatology |
| 2 — orthopedics | 5 — obstetrics  |
| 3 — cardiology  |                 |

- A the hospital department that specializes in the treatment of the heart and heart diseases
- B the hospital department that treats women and unborn children during pregnancy
- C the hospital department that specializes in the treatment of the skin and skin diseases
- D the hospital department that specializes in the treatment of bones and muscles
- E the hospital department that specializes in the treatment of children

4 Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank.

## Word BANK

radiology    pathology    surgery  
emergency    pharmacy

- 1 Please take this sample to \_\_\_\_\_ for testing.
- 2 An ambulance brought the patient to the \_\_\_\_\_ room.
- 3 Could you get the X-rays from \_\_\_\_\_?
- 4 The \_\_\_\_\_ on the first floor should have the medicine you need.
- 5 Take this patient to \_\_\_\_\_ for her transplant.

## Get ready!

1 Before you read the passage, talk about these questions.

- 1 What are some different hospital departments?
- 2 Why is it important to know what different departments do?



- 5 Listen and read the website about a hospital's departments again. What are some of the hospital's departments?

## Listening

- 6 Listen to a conversation between a doctor and a patient. Choose the correct answers.

1 Where is the dermatology department?

- A downstairs
- B on the third floor
- C past the pharmacy
- D next to the emergency room

2 What will the woman likely do next?

- A visit the pharmacy
- B go to the emergency room
- C make a radiology appointment
- D go to the dermatology department

- 7 Listen again and complete the conversation.

Doctor: Well, Mary, other than that rash, you're  
1 \_\_\_\_\_.

Patient: Okay, Doctor. What should I 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ it?

Doctor: I want you to go to dermatology. Make an  
appointment for them to 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ it.

Patient: Where's that department?

Doctor: It's 4 \_\_\_\_\_.  
Turn right when you pass the 5 \_\_\_\_\_  
department.

Patient: Great, I'll head up there now.

Doctor: But first, you should refill your prescription  
at the 6 \_\_\_\_\_.

Patient: The pharmacy is downstairs, right?

Doctor: Yes, next to the emergency room.

## Speaking

- 8 With a partner, act out the roles below based on Task 7. Then, switch roles.

USE LANGUAGE SUCH AS:

*I want you to go ...*

*Where's that ...*

*It's on the ...*

**Student A:** You are a doctor. Talk to Student B about:

- where to go after an appointment
- directions for where to go
- why the patient is going there

**Student B:** You are a patient. Talk to Student A about where to go after an appointment.

## Writing

- 9 Use the conversation from Task 8 and the website to fill out the patient's notes.

Mary Coburn  
Hospital visit notes

First stop: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Second stop: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

# Clinic