

## getting medical advice

<p><b>Learn with television</b></p> <p><b>French Experience: Programme 12</b> Learn how to ask for advice at the <b>pharmacie</b> when you're not feeling too well.</p> <p>French Experience is repeated regularly on BBC Learning Zone (BBC Two). Check out the details on <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/learningzone">www.bbc.co.uk/learningzone</a> and video the programmes to watch at your leisure.</p>	<p><b>Learn online</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/french">www.bbc.co.uk/languages/french</a></p> <p><b>French Steps: Stage 6: At the chemist's</b> Join Hakim M'Barek as he stocks up on essential medical supplies and looks for something for a friend who has a sore throat. Do the activities then read the information on which forms to take with you to France and how to cope in case of a medical problem or emergency when you're there.</p> <p><b>French Experience: Forme et santé</b> Focus on selected extracts from the TV programme, enjoy some practice activities and check how you'd cope if you needed medical help in France.</p>
<p><b>Learning hint</b></p> <p>Teaching someone else is a great way of learning. If you have any young children in the family, teach them to play <b>Jacques a dit</b>, the French version of 'Simon says'. For example, <b>Jacques a dit ... touchez la tête!</b> Remember that, if you say <b>touchez le/la/les...</b> without saying <b>Jacques a dit</b> first and they follow your instruction, then they've lost the game!</p>	
<p><b>Key language</b></p> <p><b>J'ai un rhume</b> I have a cold  <b>J'ai un peu de fièvre</b> I have a slight fever  <b>J'ai mal à la tête</b> My head hurts  <b>Il/elle a mal au dos</b> His/her back hurts  <b>Tu as mal au ventre?</b> Does your stomach hurt??  <b>Vous avez du mal à avaler?</b> Do you have trouble swallowing  <b>Il faut aller voir un médecin</b> You'll have to go and see a doctor</p>	<p><b>la gorge</b> throat  <b>la jambe</b> leg  <b>la main</b> hand  <b>la tête</b> head  <b>le ventre</b> stomach  <b>le dos</b> back  <b>des pastilles à sucer</b> lozenges  <b>des pansements</b> plasters  <b>des suppositoires</b> suppositories</p>
<p><b>Quiz</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What's the plural of <b>l'oeil</b>?</li> <li>2. Can you think of another word other than <b>fièvre</b> which means fever?</li> <li>3. How would you say at the chemist's that you'd like some plasters?</li> <li>4. What's the meaning of <b>Je vous donne quelque chose à vaporiser dans la gorge?</b></li> <li>5. To explain that your wife has a really bad sore throat, what words do you need to add to this sentence: <b>Ma femme a _____ mal à la _____ ?</b></li> <li>6. How would you add that she's got a temperature and her head hurts?</li> </ol> <p>Answers on <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/french/answers.shtml">www.bbc.co.uk/languages/french/answers.shtml</a></p>	