



### Medical care

W: Hello Sarah! How's your cold?

Sarah: Hey Wentworth. Not so good actually. I had to consult a doctor to do a check-up.

W: Really? What did he diagnose?

Sarah: Nothing for the moment, we're still in the process of detecting what's wrong with me. I had to do a lung X-ray because of the bad cough I have.

W: That must be hard to wait for the results, isn't it?

Sarah: yes, especially when you're phobic about medical care...

W: Are you? What are the manifestations of this phobia?

Sarah: Well, for instance I faint most of the time when I see a needle, or I have to have an injection, a blood test or a vaccine. I'm also claustrophobic if I have a scan or an MRI scan. I hate taking medication whatever it is: it can be a tablet, a pill or even syrup I'm unable to swallow it.

W: Oh, that must be annoying. What will you do then if the doctor prescribes you an antibiotic? Because you cannot recover if you don't take your treatment!

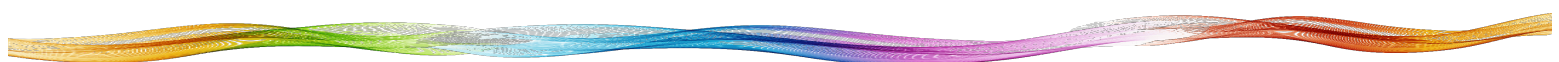
Sarah: don't even talk about that...I must take a tranquillizer before or I'll have a nervous breakdown.

W: Have you ever thought about alternative medicine?

Sarah: not really. Do you know about it?

W: Yes, I have a few contacts to share with you; I'll have a look and come back to you shortly with numbers.

Sarah: Great! You're saving my life!





**GLOSSARY:**

Medical care	A blood test
To consult	A vaccine
To diagnose	A scan
To detect	A MRI(magnetic resonance imaging)
To be phobic	Medication
To faint	A tablet
To swallow	A pill
To prescribe	Syrup
To recover	An antibiotic
To share	A treatment
To have a look	A tranquillizer
To come back to someone	A nervous breakdown
To save one's life	Alternative medicine
A cold	Claustrophobic
A doctor	Annoying
A check-up	Shortly
The process	Don't even talk about that
Lung	You're saving my life
An X-ray	What's wrong with me
A bad cough	Especially
The results	Whatever it is
The manifestations	
A phobia	
A needle	
An injection	

To examine	A surgeon
A stethoscope	To anaesthetize
An antiseptic	A stitch
A bandage	Physical therapy
To heal	The recovery room
A nurse	Palliative care



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