## **Health: Talking about symptoms**



### Warm-up Discussion:

- 1. Do you think you are a healthy person? How would you rate your current overall health from 1(very bad) to 10(very good)?
- 2. How often do you get sick or visit a hospital?
- 3. What is the best thing to do to stay healthy?

### **Expressions:** Not feeling well.

- I feel under the weather today.
- I'm a bit out of it today.
- I think I'm coming down with something.
- I've been better.
- I feel terrible/sick.
- I don't feel well.

# **Expressing Symptoms:**

#### I feel...

- ...nauseous.
- ...dizzy.
- ...weak.
- ...short of breath.
- ...fatigued/tired.

# I have...

- ...a headache.
- ...a stomachache.
- ...a stuffy nose.
- ...a runny nose.
- ...a fever.
- ...a sore throat.
- ...a loss of appetite.

## I have pain...

- ...in my chest.
- ...in my hip.
- ...in my ribs.
- ...in my stomach.
- ...in my mouth.

#### I have been...

- ...vomiting./puking./throwing up.
- ...coughing.
- ...sneezing.
- ...wheezing.
- 1. What are the common symptoms of a cold?
- 2. What are the common symptoms of food poisoning?
- 3. What are the common symptoms of pregnancy?
- 4. What are the common symptoms of a hangover?
- 5. What are the common symptoms of ...?

#### More discussion:

- 1. Describe the last time you got really sick or injured.
- 2. Who is the healthiest person you know?
- 3. How often do you visit a hospital or see a doctor?
- 4. Do you prefer traditional medicine or modern medicine?
- 5. What's more important, exercise or diet?
- 6. What's more important, looking good or feeling good?