

A Visit to the Doctor's Office

Reading

Yesterday afternoon, I took my son, Hector, to the doctor. He was feeling sick and needed to leave school early. I drove him to the UI Quickcare Clinic in the Old Capitol shopping mall. We checked-in at the front desk on an iPad. We answered questions about his health and history together. I think this is good practice for my son. In the future, he will be more independent.



After we finished the questionnaire and gave the iPad to the receptionist, we sat down and waited. Luckily, there were not a lot of people there. We waited for only twenty minutes. When the doctor was ready, she said, "Hector?" We both stood up and smiled.

The doctor, Dr. Tokarz, talked with me and Hector about our concerns. We told her, "Hector is not feeling well. He is very tired and he has a cough." She took Hector's blood pressure. She measured his heart rate and looked in his mouth. Then, she took his temperature - he has a fever of 101 degrees! She recommends that Hector stays home from school tomorrow too. He will return to school in two days, but now he must rest.

We thanked the doctor and left the clinic. When we arrived at home, I gave Hector a Gatorade because the doctor said, "He must stay hydrated." Hector spent the whole night and the next day in bed resting. Luckily, he did not need medicine.

After two days of resting and drinking lots of water, Hector felt a lot better! He was excited to return to school, but he was not excited to do all the school work from the previous two days. I really appreciated the help of the clinic.

Questions

True or False? If False, correct the statement.

1. _____ They went to the UI Quickcare Clinic located in Coralville.
2. _____ Hector needed to leave school early because he was feeling sick.
3. _____ Hector checked in at the front desk and completed a questionnaire on paper.
4. _____ The doctor's name is Dr. Tokarz.
5. _____ Hector had a fever of 101.
6. _____ The doctor said Hector can go to school tomorrow.
7. _____ Hector hydrated with Gatorade.
8. _____ Hector needed medicine.
9. _____ Hector was excited to do all the school work from the previous two days.

Free Response Questions

1. Why did Hector need to leave school early?
2. What did Hector and his mom do when they arrived at the clinic?
3. What did the doctor do during the appointment?
4. What did the doctor recommend to Hector and his mom?
5. How did Hector feel about returning to school?

Share a story

1. Share a story about a time you or someone you know visited a doctor. Was it a scheduled appointment or a walk-in appointment? What was the problem? What recommendations did the doctor make?
2. Share a story about a time when you did not go to school or work because you were sick. What did you do all day? Did you go to the doctor?