

Conversation

Anna: Hello! I am sure that today, in Washington, D.C., there are a lot of great things to do. But I am not doing any of them. I am **sick**. Right now, I'm going to call my boss and tell her I cannot come in to work.

Caty: Hello?

Anna: Ms. Weaver, Hi. I can't come to work today.

Caty: Why not? What is wrong?

Anna: Well, yesterday I felt fine.

Anna: In the morning, I **ainted** for hours. In the afternoon, I **cut wood**. Then, I built a **fire**.

Caty: Anna, what do you mean? Why can't you come to work today?

Anna: I do not feel well. I think I'm **sick**.

Caty: I'm sorry to hear that. I was sick last week, too. I had the **flu**.

Anna: (sneezes) What did you do?

Caty: I **slept** a lot and I **drank** a lot of water. Do you have a **doctor**?

Anna: Yes, I do.

Caty: You should call your doctor. And get lots of **rest**!

Anna: Thanks, Ms. Weaver. I'll call right now. I'm calling my doctor.

Dr. Bennett: (*to herself*) Now, where does this thing go?

Dr. Bennett: Hello. This is Dr. Bennett. How can I help you?

Anna: Hello, Dr. Bennett. This is Anna.

Dr. Bennett: Oh, Hi, Anna. How can I help you?

Anna: I think I'm sick.

Dr. Bennett: Let me ask you a couple of questions. Do you have a **sore throat**?

Anna: Yes. I have a **sore throat**.

Dr. Bennett: Do you have a cough?

Anna: Yes. I have a cough.

Dr. Bennett: When **did** you start feeling sick?

Anna: This morning. Yesterday I felt great. In the morning I painted, for hours - in the afternoon I cut wood -

Dr. Bennett: Excuse me, Anna. But I don't need to know all that. Do you have a **fever**?

Anna: Oh. My thermometer says 125 degrees?! What??

Dr. Bennett: Yeah, that's not right.

Anna: Oh. Wait. The thermometer was in my hot cup of coffee.

Dr. Bennett: Please take it again, Anna.

Anna: Okay, the thermometer says 100.5 degrees.

Dr. Bennett: 100.5 degrees is not too high. I want you to drink lots of water. Rest in bed and get lots of sleep.

Anna: That is what my boss **said** to do. Um, Dr. Bennett, when can I go to work?

Dr. Bennett: Don't go to work for a couple of days.

Anna: Yes! I mean, I don't want to make my co-workers sick.

Dr. Bennett: That's right. Call me back in a couple of days.

Anna: I will, Dr. Bennett. And thanks.

Anna: Well, you **heard** the doctor – no work for a couple of days. I need water, sleep and um ... lots of movies! Well, the doctor didn't say anything about movies. But it can't **hurt**! Until next time!