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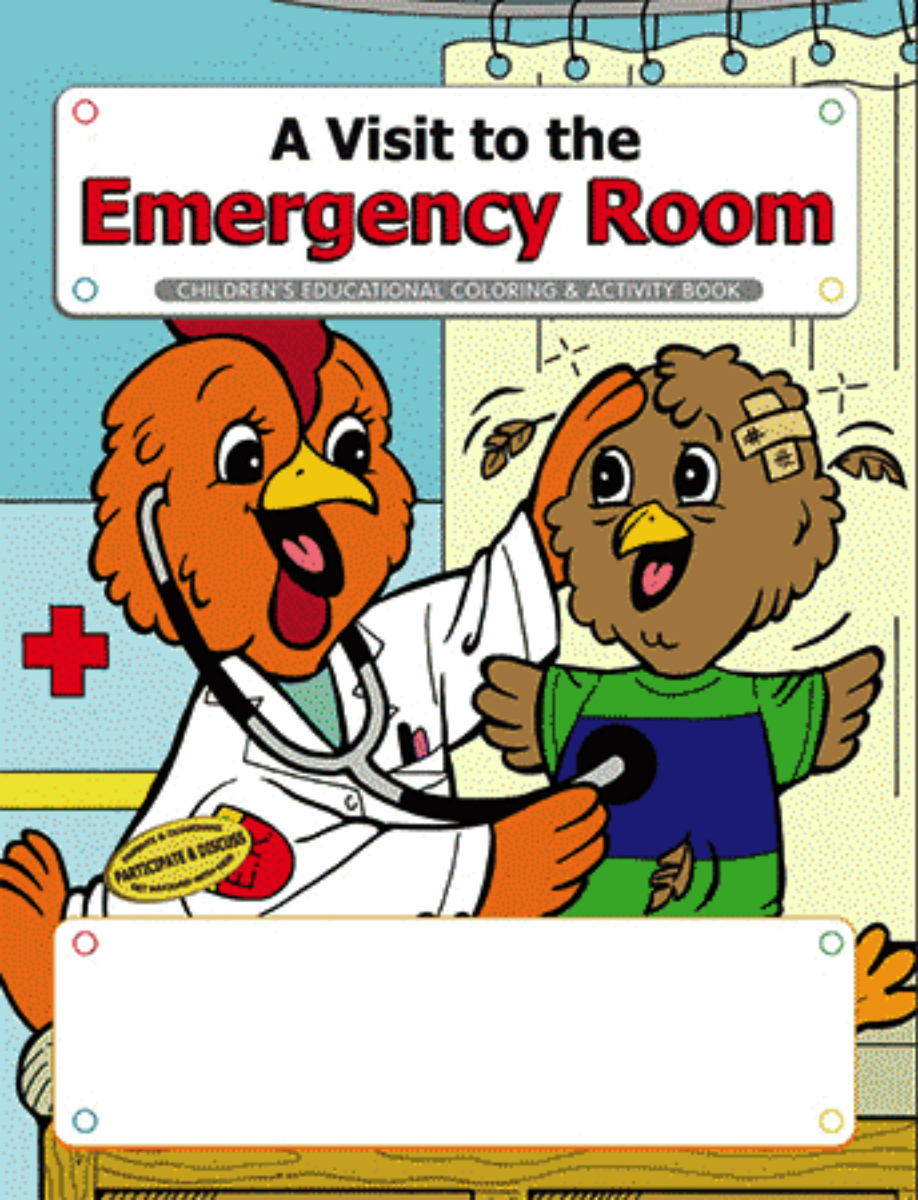

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Hi, I'm Hannah. Yesterday I went to the Emergency Room with my friend, Pete, who had something fall on his head.

He was a little scared at first, but when we got there, Nurse Nancy showed us around and it was pretty cool.

When we first entered, we thought it would be just one room, but it was really large.

Nancy told us that the waiting room also doubled as something called a triage. This is where a nurse will decide which patients are hurt the worst and should see the doctor first.

Nancy took Pete's tempature, pulse, respiratory rate, and blood pressure. She then took a look at Pete's head and asked him about his symptoms.

Nancy told us that doing so allows her to determine if a person's condition is either life threatening, urgent, or less urgent. If it is life threatening, they get to see the doctor immediately.

Since Pete's head injury wasn't life threatening, next we went to what Nancy said was the registration area.

Pete had to answer a number of questions about himself: where he lived, had he been to the hospital before, who his insurance company was, stuff like that.

After spending some time in the waiting room, we went to a small room which had a bed for Pete to sit on and lots of equipment.

Nurse Nancy came in a little later and had Pete get into a hospital gown and answered our questions about the equipment in the room.

Nancy told us that the doctor would be in in a moment, and would look Pete over again.

She said that she probably wouldn't have to test Pete's blood today, but if she did, she could do the lab work right in the ER. Then Nurse Nancy showed us some of the other equipment.

Nancy showed us a machine that looked like a computer screen.

She called it a cardiac monitor and said that she would hook wire to buttons and place them on a patient's chest. The monitor would show her how the patient's heart was beating. It looked pretty cool.

Then she showed us a cart which had splints and everything the doctors would need in case someone had a broken bone or needed to have stitches.

She told us that the doctor would use some of the items on the tray to sew a person up just like my mom sewed my clothes.

The next thing she showed us was called a crash cart. She said it was used in case somebody's heart stopped.

It was kind of scary thinking about that happening, but it was good to know they were ready for it. She also told us they could take X-rays right in the ER, too.

Doctor Diane came in and looked at Pete's head.
She examined where Pete had been hit,
and looked in his eyes with her light.

She made Pete follow the light with just his eyes,
saying she was trying to see if Pete had a concussion.

When the doctor finished, she told Pete that he would be alright, that he might have a headache and a bump on his head, but it should go away in a day.

She said that Nancy would put a bandage on it to cushion it and then wrap it up for him and we could go.

Hidden Items

We looked around the room and tried to spot some of the equipment before we left.

Can you find a stethoscope, a band aid, a nurses hat, a needle, tweezers, and a pair of scissors?

What's the Difference?

Pete is ready to leave the hospital, but something is different about him. Can you find out what's different?

See answer on next page

WORD SEARCH

Find the following words

Emergency	**Doctor**	**Nurse**
Bandage	**Monitor**	**Stethoscope**
Xray	**Splint**	**Gauze**

W	G	E	S	R	U	N	S	C	Y	I	L
D	J	T	M	P	K	B	Q	A	M	H	N
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S	X	V	M	U	T	C	G	E	N	S	R
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H	D	O	C	T	O	R	N	T	U	B	S
Q	W	R	Y	U	I	P	L	K	H	F	L
Z	V	E	D	M	E	G	A	D	N	A	B

Laughter
is the Best Medicine

QUESTIONS:

1. Why did the cookie go to the hospital?

2. What did one tonsil say to the other tonsil?

3. What did one eye say to the other eye?

4. Doctor, I think I am a caterpillar!

5. When does a doctor get mad?

ANSWERS:
1. She was feeling crummy! 2. Did you hear, the doctor's taking us out tonight. 3. Between you and me something smells. 4. Don't worry, you'll change soon. 5. When he runs out of patients.

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I promise to respect Emergency Room doctors and to listen to them during any emergency.

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