

## **Making an Appointment**

**Mr. Costner:** Hello. This is Mr. Costner I'd like to make an appointment to Dr. Bacon.

**Secretary:** Certainly. What seems to be the problem?

**Mr. Costner:** I'd like to have my annual check-up.

**Secretary:** Fine. When would you be available to come and see Dr. Bacon?

**Mr. Costner:** Any day next week in the morning would be great.

**Secretary:** How about next Thursday at 10 o'clock?

**Mr. Costner:** That sounds fine. Thank you.

**Secretary:** We'll see you next Thursday Mr. Costner. Goodbye.

## **Seeing the Doctor**

**Dr. Bacon:** Hello, what's the matter?

**Mr. Costner:** Good morning. I have a terrible ache in my lower back.

**Dr. Bacon:** How long has your back been bothering you?

**Mr. Costner:** I've been having pain for about the last two weeks.

**Dr. Bacon:** Do you have any history of back problems?

**Mr. Costner:** No, this is the first time.

**Dr. Bacon:** Are you taking any medicine at the moment?

**Mr. Costner:** No, just an aspirin from time to time to kill the pain.

**Dr. Bacon:** OK. Let's have a look at your back. Please take off your shirt.

### **Key Vocabulary**

make an appointment

What (seems) is the problem...?

What's the matter ...?

check-up

ache  
history of ... problems  
medicine  
aspirin

Practice:

1. Why is Mr. Costner looking for Dr. Bacon?
2. What do you think is the problem of Mr. Costner?
3. What do you think are the things you need to consider when making an appointment?
4. Have you experienced making an appointment?
5. If yes, tell something about the said appointment.