

“I Want to Report an Emergency”

Read the three emergencies below with a partner. Put a check (✓) next to the words you do not understand. Underline the gerunds and circle the infinitives in each dialogue. Choose one of the emergencies to read in front of the class.

Emergency A.

A. 911.

B. Hello. I want to report an emergency.

A. Can you describe the emergency, please?

B. I have had an accident in my car. A big truck tried to pass me and he ran me off the road.

A. Are there any injuries?

B. Yes. Two passengers are unconscious.

A. Is anyone bleeding?

B. Yes, we are all/two of us are/I am bleeding.

A. What is your name, please?

B. My name is _____.

A. Do you know where you are?

B. Yes, we are in the right-hand, north bound lane of Interstate 81 between exits 154 and 156.

A. I just called a state trooper and an ambulance. You need to wait there for them. They will try to be there in 10 minutes.

B. Thank you.

Emergency B.

A. 911.

B. Hello. I want to report an emergency.

A. What is the problem?

B. We just started eating and my wife/husband/friend doesn't feel good.

A. Is he/she conscious?

B. No. And I think he/she is not breathing. I tried to give him/her CPR but it's not working.
We need to have an ambulance right away.

A. Does he/she have any allergies?

B. No, no allergies that I know of./Yes, he/she is allergic to peanuts.

A. What is your name and address, please?

B. My name is _____. My address is
_____.

A. We will try to have the paramedics at your home in 15minutes.

B. Thank you. Please hurry!

Emergency C.

Police Officer: Can you tell me what happened here?

Witness: Yes. We just finished watching TV and we heard someone yelling. I started to open the door and I heard a loud "bang!" like a gunshot. A man ran out of the store across the street and got into a car. Another man inside the store began shooting at him.

Police Officer: Do you remember seeing a license plate number?

Witness: Yes, but I forgot to write it down. I don't remember it.

Police Officer: Can you describe the vehicle?

Witness: Yes, it was a brown '97 or '98 Toyota Camry.

Police Officer: Can you tell me anything else?

Witness: No, it was too dark.

Police Officer: Thank you for your help.

Witness: You're welcome. It's too bad. I liked shopping there, but I won't go there anymore.

Write your own emergency dialogue. Use gerunds and infinitives in your sentences. Write about one of these kinds of emergencies: medical emergency, car accident, reporting a crime.

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