Working at the Hospital

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There are many jobs at the hospital. Some people work as nurses. Some people work as doctors. You probably know about those jobs. There are many other jobs at the hospital. If you are a patient in a hospital, you will meet different workers. It might start with the ambulance driver. That worker helps people get to the hospital quickly.

Some workers take care of visitors to the hospital. The visitors have to sign in. The receptionist signs them in. The receptionist makes sure they can find the right places in the building. They are the first workers you will see when you come into a hospital.

Some workers make food at the hospital. They have a big kitchen. They cook food for the patients. Some patients need a special diet. The cooks need to plan their meals carefully. They need to make sure they get good food.

Some workers help keep the hospital clean. It is very important that the building is clean. They clean all the rooms every day. People who are sick need to have really clean rooms. That helps them get better.

Some workers run a cafeteria. That is a place where people can get food. Patients get their food delivered to their rooms. The people who work at the hospital need to eat. They go to the cafeteria to get their food. There, workers cook and serve food.

Some workers help with computers. Doctors need to use computers. So do most of the other workers. The people who help with computers show them how to use them. They fix the computers, too.

Each of these workers needs to learn skills. They keep learning even after they get their job. Doctors have the most to learn. They need to keep learning because medicine keeps changing.

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Choose the best answer for each question

- 1. Which of these skills would a nurse need?
- a. how to use a computer
- b. how to drive a car
- c. how to cook
- d. how to fix a computer
- 3. Which of these skills would a doctor need?
- a. how to cook
- b. how to clean a room
- c. how to use a map
- d. how to read

- 2. Which of these skills would a receptionist need?
- a. how to plan a meal
- b. how to clean a room
- c. how to read a map
- d. how to drive a car
- 4. Which of these skills would an ambulance driver need?
- a. how to teach
- b. how to clean a room
- c. how to fix a computer
- d. how to change a tire

5.	Write your own answer to this question. If you go to a hospital, what would	happen?

TEACHER NOTES: Develop Students' Skills: Exercise Thinking

These questions have not been validated, so decisions about student's achievement should not be made based on their responses. They are intended to exercise skills. Recommended activities include: students work in pairs to choose the best response; give students the questions without the responses so they generate their own answers; students make up additional questions; students make up questions like these for another passage.

Answers: You can remove this answer key and then give it to students and ask them to figure out the basis for the correct response.

Item	1	2	3	4
Answer	а	С	d	d

Question 5 is open-ended. Here is a suggested response. You would see many workers.