# Vocabulary

## **Talking about dying**

1 Match these words with a definition.

1	terminal	a	(of an accident or illness) that causes death
2	fatal	b	to become more and more weak or ill
3	go downhill	C	an examination of a body to find out how the person died
4	coma	d	the use of machines to keep a person alive
5	life-support	e	(of an illness) that cannot be cured, and causes death
6	pass away	f	a room in a hospital where dead bodies are taken and stored
7	mortuary	g	an unconscious state that a person cannot wake from
8	post-mortem	h	a polite word meaning 'to die'

# Complete each sentence with a word from the box. Terminal ,fatal , go down hall , coma , life sport , pass away , mortuary , post- mortem

Co	omplete these sentence	s using the words in 1.				
1	This boy has serious h	ead injuries. He has been in a k.				
2	The patient stopped breathing, and is now on a machine.					
3	We need a porter to tal	ke the body to the				
4	I'm afraid your father night.	in his sleep last				
5	There was a hospital – both drivers	accident outside the were killed.				
6	Theshow stroke.	ed that the old lady died of a				
7	After a bad fall, Mr De					

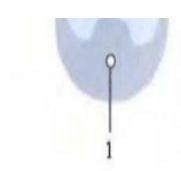
cancer. With

This gentleman has

2 Look at the diagram and complete the labels with the words below.

beating	breathing	slightly	cools	stops
rigid	release	ceases	open	enlarge
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- 1 Brain activity \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 The skin\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 The eyelids \_\_\_\_\_\_slightly and the pupils
- 4 The pulse \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 The jaw relaxes and opens



- 6 \_\_\_\_\_stops.
- 7 The heart stops \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 8 The bowel and bladder \_\_\_\_\_\_ their contents.
- 9 The limbs become \_\_\_\_\_

# The Hope Children's Hospice

A The Hope Children's Hospice provides free specialist care for children with lifelimiting conditions who are not expected to 
live into adulthood. It cares for up to eight 
terminally-ill children at one time, and aims 
to care for them in the same way their 
families would care for them at home. When 
families prefer to do the caring themselves, a 
hospice carer will go to their home and help 
them.

B Life-limiting conditions present many long-term medical and emotional problems – not only for the child, but for parents and siblings too. So the hospice offers respite care – short stays for the child alone or for the whole family together. At these times, parents hand over responsibilities to the staff and have a 'holiday'. Short stays give terminally-ill children an opportunity to meet others with similar conditions.

C Each child at the hospice has their own carer and their own care plan. A normal day might start with a jacuzzi bath followed by a

massage from a complementary therapist. Some children go to school, while others play with hospice play specialists

D The hospice has a multi-sensory room. This is a special room which stimulates the children's senses with lights, music, touch, and smell. It has touch-screen computers, video games, paddling pools, and space for wheelchair dancing. Children have music therapy and can record their own music, not only as a way to express their feelings, but to leave something for their family and friends to listen to in the years to come.

E The hospice has a number of quiet rooms where we care for children during and after death. These are places where families and friends can say goodbye. Our support does not end with death. We help not just grieving parents, but also siblings who are experiencing bereavement. We give everyone opportunities to discuss their fears about death and dying.

### **Patient care**

#### Breaking bad news

- 1 Medical staff sometime example that an illness has died. Here are some Discuss the reasons for
  - allow a lot of time

## Read the article again and answer the questions.

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- 1- Do children have to stay at the hospice all the time
- No
- 2-How does the hospice help the children's families?
- --It gives respite car, which allows them to have a break.
- 3- How many children does each carer look after?
- -- one
- 4 What can children do in the multi-sensory room?
- --They can play with touch screen computers and video games, do wheelchair dancing
- 5 -How is music used at the hospice?
- -- children have music therapy and record their own music
- 6 -How are the special quiet rooms used?
- -- children are cared for in them during and after death their families can say goodbye in them