Phrases CO VÁS BOLÍ?

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JAK JE VÁM?

What is hurting you?

How are you? /How do you feel?

These two phrases are very important and very often used in Czech language. They express probably the most common doctor's questions.

VÁS = pronoun VY in the accusative case

VÁM = pronoun VY in the dative case

These phrases can be used also in informal forms:

CO TĚ BOLÍ?

JAK JE TI?

TĚ = pronoun TY in the accusative case

TI = pronoun TY in the dative case

Answers for these two questions are based on the same grammar system:

BOLÍ MĚ HLAVA.

JE MI ŠPATNĚ.

exactly My head is hurting (me)./ I have a headache.

I am bad (sick). / I feel bad.

MI = pronoun JÁ in the dative case

MĚ = pronoun JÁ in the accusative case

Je mi dobře = I am ok.

You can say as well Bolí mě zub (tooth). Bolí mě ruka (hand).

Je mi horko = I am hot. Je mi zima = I am cold.

Hlava is a subject, bolí is a verb, mě is an object.

Špatně works as a subject, je is a verb, mi is an object.

These phrases are used for all personal pronouns:

BOLÍ HO HLAVA.

JE MU ŠPATNĚ.

His head is hurting (him). / He has a headache.

He is bad (sick). / He feels sick.

BOLÍ JI HLAVA.

JE JÍ ŠPATNĚ.

Her head is hurting (her). / She has a headache.

She is bad (sick). / She feels sick.

Questions:

BOLÍ VÁS HLAVA?

JE VÁM ŠPATNĚ?

Do you have a headache?

Are you sick?

Pronouns in the accusative and dative forms are always situated at the second position of a sentence.

Personal pronouns in the accusative and dative cases:

nominative	já	ty	on	ona	ono	my	vy	oni/ony
accusative	mě	tě	ho	ji	ho	nás	vás	je
dative	mi	ti	mu	jí	mu	nám	vám	jim

Regarding these phrases the same system works also for nouns:

MAMINKU BOLÍ HLAVA.

MAMINCE JE ŠPATNĚ.

My mum has a headache.

My mum is sick.

Hlava is a subject, bolí is a verb, maminku is an object in the accusative.

Špatně works as a subject, je is a verb, mamince is an object in the dative case.

PACIENTA BOLÍ BŘICHO/RUKA/ NOHA.

PACIENTOVI JE DOBŘE/ZIMA/HORKO.

Pacienta = pacient in the accusative

Pacientovi = pacient in the dative

REMEMBER:

Grammar constructions Co vás bolí? /Jak je vám? (and suitable answers) work in Czech language in a specific way. Don't confuse them with sentences having "common grammar":

Pan Novák je v nemocnici. = Mr. Novák is in hospital.

Pan Novák má problémy. = Mr. Novák has problems.

Pana Nováka bolí zub./ Bolí ho zub.= Mr. Novák / He has a toothache.

Je mu špatně. = He is sick.

Moje babička je nemocná. = My granny is ill.

Moje babička má angínu. = My granny has tonsillitis.

Moje babička musí dostat antibiotika. = My granny needs to get antibiotics.

Moji babičku bolí v krku. / Bolí ji v krku. = My granny / She has a sore throat.

Je jí špatně. = She is sick.

Moje babička má teplotu. = My granny has a temperature.

Je jí horko. = She is hot.

Past tense:

Bolel mě žaludek. Bolela mě hlava. Bolelo mě břicho.

Bylo mi špatně. Byla mi zima.

Bolely mě oči.

Future tense:

Bude mě bolet hlava. Budou mě bolet oči.

Bude mi špatně.