

SCENE 36 • GRAMMAR

boli me glava, slabo mi je

Talking about pain and feelings

6 Exercises • Duration: 20 min.

A bad day

Slovenian

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Talking about pain and feelings

In **boli me glava**, the hurting body part is the subject: literally the head hurts me. Singular uses **boli**, plural **bolijo**: **bolijo me noge**.

The person affected uses accusative **me**, **te**, **vas**.

For a general feeling use dative **mi**: **slabo mi je**, **vroče mi je**, **mrzlo mi je**. With **počutiti se**, say **slabo se počutim**. Duration can use **že dva dni** or **od sobote**.

Form	Example	Meaning
Boli	Boli me glava.	My head hurts.
Bolijo	Bolijo me noge.	My legs hurt.
mi	Slabo mi je.	I feel unwell.
me	Boli me grlo.	My throat hurts.
se	Bolan sem. Slabo se počutim.	I am ill. I feel unwell.
že	Bolan sem že dva dni.	I have been ill for two days already.

Boli me glava.

My head hurts.

Bolijo me noge.

My legs hurt.

Slabo mi je.

I feel unwell.

Boli me grlo.

My throat hurts.

Bolna (Bolna) sem. Slabo se počutim.

I am ill. I feel unwell.

Bolna (Bolna) sem že dva dni.

I have been ill for two days already.

GRAMMAR

G1) NOTICE THE PATTERNS

Underline the form described in this unit.

1 Boli me glava.

Meaning: My head hurts.

2 Bolijo me noge.

Meaning: My legs hurt.

3 Slabo mi je.

Meaning: I feel unwell.

4 Boli me grlo.

Meaning: My throat hurts.

5 Bolna sem. Slabo se počutim.

Meaning: I am ill. I feel unwell.

6 Bolna sem že dva dni.

Meaning: I have been ill for two days already.

G2) CHOOSE THE FORM

Choose the right word for the gap.

1 _____ me glava.

(A) Bolijo

(B) Bolim

(C) Boli

Meaning: My head hurts.

2 _____ me noge.

- ☐ A Bolim
- ☐ B Bolijo
- ☐ C Boli

Meaning: My legs hurt.

3 Slabo _____ je.

- ☐ A me
- ☐ B jaz
- ☐ C mi

Meaning: I feel unwell.

4 Boli _____ grlo.

- ☐ A me
- ☐ B jaz
- ☐ C mi

Meaning: My throat hurts.

5 Bolna sem. Slabo _____ počutim.

- ☐ A se
- ☐ B mi
- ☐ C me

Meaning: I am ill. I feel unwell.

6 Bolna sem _____ dva dni.

- ☐ A že
- ☐ B jutri
- ☐ C brez

Meaning: I have been ill for two days already.

G3) COMPLETE A SHORT MESSAGE

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

Boli Bolijo

_____ me glava.

Meaning: My head hurts.

Bolijo Boli

_____ me noge.

Meaning: My legs hurt.

mi me

Slabo _____ je.

Meaning: I feel unwell.

me mi

Boli _____ grlo.

Meaning: My throat hurts.

se me

Bolna sem. Slabo _____ počutim.

Meaning: I am ill. I feel unwell.

že jutri

Bolna sem _____ dva dni.

Meaning: I have been ill for two days already.

G4) BUILD USEFUL SENTENCES

Put the words in order.

1

me

Boli

glava.

Meaning: My head hurts.

2 Boli me noge.

Meaning: My legs hurt.

3 Slabo je mi

Meaning: I feel unwell.

4 me Boli grlo.

Meaning: My throat hurts.

5 Slabo sem se Bolna počutim.

Meaning: I am ill. I feel unwell.

6 dni. Bolna dva že sem

Meaning: I have been ill for two days already.

G5) WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 My head hurts. You say:

- ☐ A Bolijo me glava.
- ☐ B Boli me glava.

2 My legs hurt. You say:

- ☐ A Boli me noge.
- ☐ B Bolijo me noge.

3 I feel unwell. You say:

- ☐ A Slabo me je.
- ☐ B Slabo mi je.

4 My throat hurts. You say:

- (A) Boli me grlo.
- (B) Boli mi grlo.

G6) CONNECT MESSAGES AND MEANINGS

Match the pairs.

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|----------------------------------|---|
| (1) Bolna sem. Slabo se počutim. | (A) My head hurts. |
| (2) Slabo mi je. | (B) I feel unwell. |
| (3) Bolna sem že dva dni. | (C) I have been ill for two days already. |
| (4) Bolijo me noge. | (D) My throat hurts. |
| (5) Boli me grlo. | (E) I am ill. I feel unwell. |
| (6) Boli me glava. | (F) My legs hurt. |