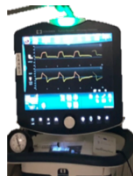


SUCTION



VENTILATOR



ANXIOUS/
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NURSE



DOCTOR



CALL MY
FAMILY



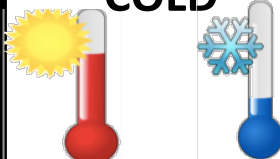
PAIN



BREATHING
TUBE



HOT
COLD



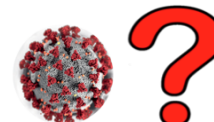
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PROTECTIVE
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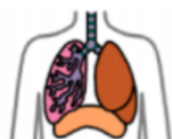
WHAT'S MY
STATUS?



MEDICINE



TROUBLE
BREATHING



THIRSTY



LIGHTS
ON / OFF



CHAIR



NO
VISITORS



MOUTH
CARE



BATHROOM



TIME / DAY ?



TV ON / OFF



BED



LETTER
BOARD

A	B	C	D	YES	NO
E	F	G	H	START	STOP
I	J	K	L	M	N
O	P	Q	R	S	T
U	V	W	X	Y	Z

MAYBE

DON'T KNOW

LATER

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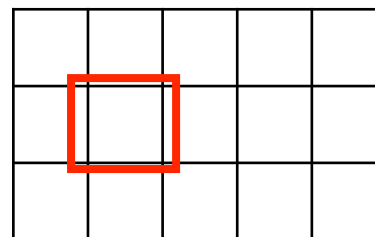
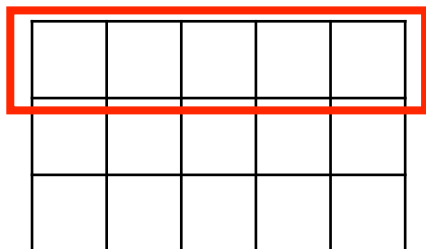


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