

Grammar Focus: Word/Verb Forms

Directions: Read the paragraphs below. Correct the word/verb form errors you find. These include words written as the wrong part of speech and verbs that are written in an incorrect tense.

Gastroscopy: A Medical Procedure

Gastroscopy, a non-surgical technique use to help diagnosis problems of the upper digestive tract, is carried out in three stages. First, the patient is prepared. During this stage, the patient fasts for six hours prior to the exam. The patient was asked to arrive early for his/her appointment so that s/he had enough time to fill out the registration forms, change his/her clothes, and complete other preoperative procedures. In addition, a companion is needed to accompanying the patient as s/he will be sedative. Once these steps have been completed, an anesthetic is administered. The anesthetic prevents the patient from feelings any pain, stress or anxiety. It even helps remove the memory of the procedure without cause the patient to totally loss consciousness.

Next, the actual procedure begins. Throughout this stage, the well- being of the patient is monitored. This includes measurement the patient's blood pressure, oxygen level, and heart rate. To carry out the procedure, the doctor used a gastroscope, which is a long, thin, flexible fiber optic tube that has a camera attach at the end. The gastroscope is inserted through the mouth; the doctor needs to make sure that it does not entering the windpipe and affect the patient's breathing. Additionally, a mouth-piece is placed between the teeth to relax the jaws. Next, the patient's stomach is gently filled with air. Once this has been completed, the doctor begins to inspecting the lining of the esophagus, stomach, and duodenum. This part of the procedure took approximately fifteen minutes. If necessary, at this point, specimens of the lining may be took.