

1. Read the text. Circle the best word to complete these sentences.

- a) The National Health Service is paid for *by taxes / patients / charities*.
- b) Ambulance crews save lives thanks *to their skills and equipment / their speed and training / their strategic position in the city*.
- c) To be a paramedic, you have to study for *two years / three years / five years*.
- d) The trainee paramedics practise *on patients with less serious problems / in real-life emergency situations / in pretend emergency situations*.
- e) Darlene's examples of medical emergencies are *burns, broken bones, or accidents at home or work / serious illnesses, head injuries or allergies / breathing or heart problems, or car-crash injuries*.
- f) After passing their exams, the paramedics can *start the practical training / observe real-life emergencies / work in an ambulance*.

2. Read the text again. Complete the sentences with the words from the box.

•pass

•reports

•provides

•spends

•makes

•receives

- a) Judy the day with paramedics in Brighton.
- b) When someone a serious accident or emergency, the ambulance crews get there as fast as they can.
- c) The Ambulance Service thousands of emergency calls.
- d) The National Health Service free health care.
- e) The paramedics' training the difference between life and death.
- f) Most paramedics study for three years to the required exams.