

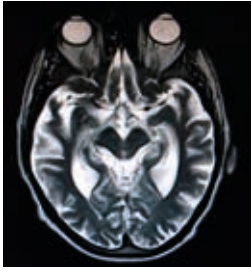
Having an MRI Scan (Easy Read)



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What is an MRI scan?



MRI scans take pictures of the inside of your body



MRI scans are done at the hospital.



This is an MRI machine. It does not hurt.



The MRI scanner has a big magnet inside it. The magnet works with computers to take the pictures of your body.

When you arrive at the hospital



Go to the X-ray Department (Medical Imaging Department).
Hospital staff can help you find it.



Tell the person at X-ray reception your name and when your birthday is.



You will sit in the waiting room.
Hospital staff will call your name when it is your turn.



Hospital staff will ask you about your health before you have
the MRI scan.

What will happen?



Take off all metal objects, like ear-rings, watches and rings.



Your things will be kept safe in a locker while you have your scan.



You will wear a hospital gown or clothes that do not have any metal on.



You can bring some music to listen to. The MRI is very noisy.

What will happen next?



You will lie down on the bench.



Keep still. Do not move.



The bench will move slowly in to the tunnel part of the MRI machine.



It is OK. It does not hurt.

What happens now?



The MRI scan can take about 30 minutes.



Hospital staff can see you and talk to you from another room.



Hospital staff will tell you when the scan has finished.



Your doctor will explain the results to you.

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