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BLAIR HEART ATTACK SCARE

TONY Blair was rushed to hospital yesterday with a heart problem.

He complained of feeling a "little bit under the weather" at his country residence Chequers and was taken to Stoke Mandeville Hospital.

There he was advised to go to Hammersmith Hospital in West London. He was admitted as an emergency and doctors spent five hours doing tests on the 50-year-old Prime Minister. He had a cardio conversion - electro shock therapy or an injection of chemicals to stabilise his heart.

His wife Cherie was with him throughout the treatment. Super fit Mr Blair was eventually diagnosed with an irregular heartbeat. He was back home at Downing Street last night. A spokesman at No 10 said: "He has suffered no damage and he is fine. "There is no reason why this should reoccur." "They have advised him to rest for 24 hours."

He added: "This morning the Prime Minister was feeling under the weather and went to Stoke Mandeville hospital where they advised him to go to the Hammersmith.

"There it was established he had an irregular heartbeat and a cardio-version was administered to regulate it." "This was completely successful. He was in hospital for four to five hours and is now back at Number 10, Downing Street. The hospital says this is a relatively common condition and is easily treated."

QUESTIONS

1. Answer the following questions using your own words. (2 points)

1. What was Blair diagnosed when the doctors checked him at the hospital?

2. Where did he go when he was discharged from hospital?

2. Are the following statements *True* or *False*? (1 point)

a. The Prime Minister said the weather was bad: _____

b. The Prime Minister spent the night in hospital: _____

3. Find a word or phrase in the text which, in context, is similar in meaning to: (1 point)

a. Finally: _____

b. All: _____

