Have you ever... had to see the dentist?

Show:
dentist, tooth, teeth, sugar, hurt, telephone, telephone number

Play film 1 and repeat the words
Extra word: appointment

Ask
How often do you go to the dentist?
Do you speak English to the dentist?
How do you make an appointment?
Do you enjoy going to the dentist? (Why/Why not?)

Ask
What is wrong? [Ayesha’s tooth hurts.]
What does she do? [Phones the dentist.]
What’s the problem? [She doesn’t know what to say.]

Ask
Do you make appointments on the phone?
Is it easy?
What should Ayesha say in English?
Play film 3

Ask
What does Ayesha say first to the person on the phone?
[I need to make an appointment.]
What day is her appointment?
[Wednesday.]
What time is her appointment?
[8am.]
How does she check the day and time?
[She repeats them to the person on the phone.]

Play film 3 again
Pause and discuss

Play audio and repeat the phrases
I need to make an appointment.
I need to see the dentist.
I need a check-up.
Can I have an appointment on Wednesday?
Can I have an appointment on Friday?
Can I have one in the afternoon?
Sugar is bad for your teeth.
Smoking is bad for you.
Vegetables are good for you.

In pairs

Ask
Do you like talking on the phone? (Why/Why not?)
Do you make other appointments on the phone? (Why/Why not?)
How could making an appointment be made easier?
Do you look after your teeth? (Why/Why not? How?)
Why are some people scared of the dentist?

Ask and check
Can you now ...
• use some new words to talk to the dentist?
• make an appointment on the phone?
• check the time for an appointment?

Extra

Acting
Card game

Draw
Draw other words related to appointments and dentistry e.g.
doctor, check-up, waiting room, surgery, toothache, floss, drill, sweets