Going to the Dentist

A. Reading

James is afraid of dentists. His last dental check-up was six years ago. He is at the dentist's office today because he has a toothache on the right side of his mouth. He bought some medicine at the drug store, but the pain didn't stop. The X-ray technician took X-rays of his teeth. James has three cavities. The dentist is drilling two of the cavities, but he will have to pull out the tooth that has the third cavity. That cavity is so large that it can't be filled. That is also the tooth that is causing the pain. Every time the dentist starts the drill, James clinches with fear. The dentist told James to relax, but he can't. What can he do? How can he relax?

B. True or False

1. _____ James is afraid of dentists.
2. _____ A large cavity on the right side of his mouth is causing a toothache.
3. _____ The X-ray shows that James has three cavities.
4. _____ The medicine James bought at the drug store stopped the pain.
5. _____ James feels stress when he hears the sound of the drill.

C. Writing – How can James relax while the dentist drills and pulls his teeth?

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