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Here is the same text but you have to complete it with the right words. The first letter is given, as is the number of letters for each word to be written.

Igor Franken: Hello Sonia? It's Igor. I need your expertise in s _ _ _ _ _ t _ _ _ _ _ . Listen carefully. I'm going to tell you something extremely confidential. I created a new being, a kind of great ape that I have named Kong Kong. Kong Kong is perfect, but for one thing: he has an e _ _ _ _ _ difficulty. His m _ _ _ _ is well made, his v _ _ _ _ c _ _ _ _ are in place, and his l _ _ _ _ and his l _ _ _ are similar to those of a human being. I don't know what's wrong. He can't a _ _ _ _ _ words properly and sometimes he has a slight s _ _ _ _ . He b _ _ _ _ well, his v _ _ _ _ is loud enough, but his s _ _ _ _ is unclear, even though his l _ _ _ _ _ is grammatically correct. Could you come to the University tonight or tomorrow night to start a speech therapy programme with him? Hello Sonia? Are you there? We've been cut off! Hello? Hello?

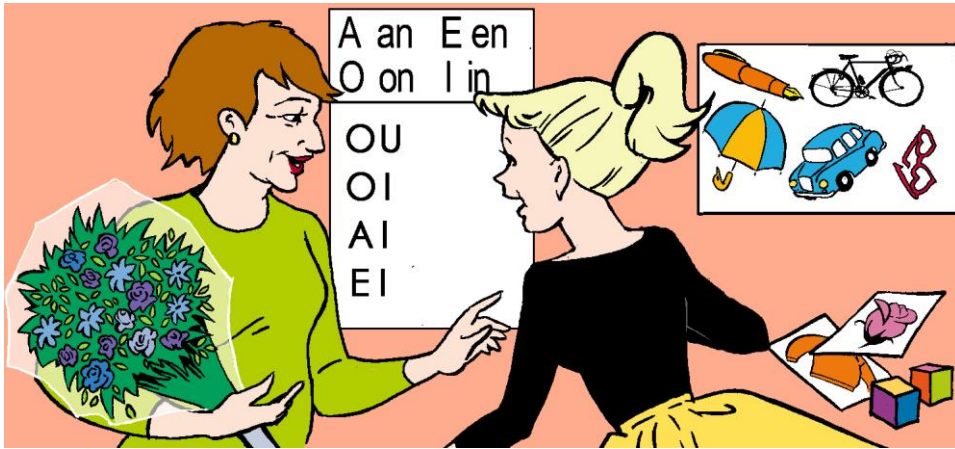
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Speech therapist

Mrs Fish: What's wrong, Sophie, is your throat sore? I see, you get hoarse when you have to speak a lot...Well, come and see me at the hospital: I'm a speech and language therapist. I often help children who are behind in their language development and who are referred to me by doctors or teachers, but I also work with adults. Some have problems with language, for example after a stroke, some have problems with their speech only, for example a stammer. I can show you how to use your voice more effectively so that you don't hurt your throat.

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I also work with deaf or hard of hearing people who want to improve their ability to speak. My job is really interesting. I need to take different approaches, depending on each person's age, difficulties and personality. Progress is usually slow, so I need to be focused and patient, but in your case, a few sessions should solve your problem. Most speech and language therapists are, like me, employed by the NHS, although some work in education and private practice. So, you can be referred by your GP, but if you don't want to wait, you can go and see someone privately. It's well worth it, you'll see!

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In a similar line of work, Mrs Fish could also have been: a GP – a surgeon – a dietician – a geneticist – a physiotherapist – a forensic scientist – a nutritionist – an orthopaedic surgeon – a chiropodist – psychologist – a midwife – a nurse – an auxiliary nurse – a medical assistant – an optician – a prosthetic technician – a radiographer – a radiologist – a medical secretary – a lab technician – a biologist – a chemist – a chemist's assistant...



A few words relating to a speech therapist's work:

Here is a text using a lot of words from the list. Read it carefully, as you will have to use the same words afterwards.

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| Articulate | Breathe | Communication |
| Consonant | Dyslexia | Elocution |
| Exercises | Language | Larynx |
| Lips | Lisp | Mouth |
| Pronunciation | Rhythm | Speech |
| Speech therapy | Stammer | Syllable |
| Teeth | Tongue | Vocal cords |
| Voice | Vowel | Words |

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