


Remember when…? – Surgery

### Description

When i was a child, i was pretty healthy in general. I caught the measles when i was in grade 1, then chicken pox when i was a teen (yeah, not fun when you are that old!). However, i was told that i had sore throat often when i was very young but i don't remember that part.

What i remember is my first surgery: tonsillectomy. And i was only 2. It is uncommon to have memories from that young, and i really don't have many either but this one did stick through time.

## Yellow sponges

Going back 50 years (ok it is dating me a bit), i am sure that operating rooms and equipment were different, so i really don't know what is what from my memories but i remember being placed on that hard bed (obviously not a bed but that is what i thought) and someone placing two "yellow sponges" on my face: one of my forehead and one on my chin. Then, i started to cough.

## And that was it

Then, i assume i was asleep, and i woke up… coughing again. It is a very short memory, but it is still vivid in my mind. What were those yellow sponges? I have no clue.

## That is not it

Just a few years ago, i was talking to my mom about this specific memory, and i was surprised that she said that when i was a kid, i was describing the event differently. She said i would talk about having a box put over my head. Maybe the mask? But i don't remember a box, only sponges. And i don't remember telling the story with a box either. So what was it?

Do you have vivid memories of something that others insist are inaccurate? Do you have memories of when you were very young? Maybe those images in your mind are inaccurate but they are still YOURS. Cherish them anyways. After all, they are YOUR memories, and it is YOUR story from YOUR

perspective! Share it in the comments below!

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