

Ventilator

It's time for "What's That Mean?" Today....

What about this pump thing I've seen on some TV shows when doctors are doing surgery?

Very observant!

That's called a "ventilator."

Sometimes, doctors will need to place a special tube to help make sure people breathe okay, which is where the ventilator comes in.

It pumps air in and out, just like when you breathe.

The air goes in and out through the tube, plus the tube also makes sure that the airway is protected.

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