

FUMC ESL 2-25-3013 Intermediate Lesson

I. Pronunciation Practice: TH

think	thank	thought	third	toothpaste
something	anything	birthday	bath	both
broth	fourth	month	father	mother
together	neither	weather	thirsty	cloth
mouth	with	growth	truth	birth

II. A pharmacist works at a pharmacy. He will fill your prescription. He will talk to you about the prescription. For example, he might say:

1. These tablets may cause nausea. Take them with food.
2. Would you like the generic or brand name drug?
3. There is a warning label on this prescription. It says, "May cause drowsiness". That means you should not take it when you are planning to drive your car.
4. Have you taken this drug before?
5. Take this at least one hour before eating.
6. Your doctor gave you two refills of this prescription.
7. Be sure you finish all of the medicine. If you stop taking it before you are finished, your illness might come back. Your body might be resistant to this medicine. It would not work. So take all of it.
8. Be sure to read the warning label on that over the counter drug.

II. ASK A PHARMACIST: Read and discuss these conversations with a partner. Then read aloud to the class.

Jan: My nose is stopped up. I have a lot of nasal congestion. Do you have any medicine for that?

Pharmacist: Claritin might work for you. It is an OTC (over the counter) drug for allergies. Many people say it helps. You'll find it on aisle 5.

Jan: I'll try it. Thank you.

Jimmy: My scalp is itchy. I have little white flakes falling out of my hair when I scratch it. Do I have a disease?

Pharmacist: No it sounds like you just have dandruff. I suggest you use Head and Shoulders dandruff shampoo. It should stop the itching and improve your dandruff.

Sally: My throat is really sore. Do you have any medicine for that?

Pharmacist: Yes, we have throat lozenges on aisle 2. Put one in your mouth and suck on it slowly. Your throat should feel better. If your sore throat doesn't go away in a few days, you should see a doctor.

Bob: I cut my finger and it won't stop bleeding.

Pharmacist: We have an assortment of bandaids and bandages on this aisle. You should try one of these. But if you can't get the bleeding to stop, you should see a doctor. That's a pretty deep cut. You might need stitches.

Ann: I think I have fever. Can you feel my forehead and see if I have a temperature?

Pharmacist: That is not a very reliable way to know if you have a fever. You should take your temperature. We have a few thermometers on the display at the front of the store. They are very easy to

use. Follow the instructions on the package. If you have a fever, you should take a couple of aspirin or Tylenol.

Sharon: My baby has an ear infection. Can you give her anything for that?

Pharmacist: Your baby probably needs a prescription medication. I cannot give you a prescription. You must take her to a doctor. He will give you a prescription. You can bring the prescription here and I will fill it for you.

Leslie: Can you take my blood pressure. I think I might have high blood pressure.

Pharmacist: We have a blood pressure machine right over there. If you have high blood pressure, you should see a doctor.

Jean: I've been coughing for a week. I can't sleep because I cough when I lie down.

Pharmacist: You can try Delsym or Robotussin. They both help coughs. Some of the cough medicines have a special night time formula that will help quiet your cough.

Bill: I have bad allergies at this time of year. My eyes are red and they itch. I have a runny nose. What should I take for it?

Pharmacist: You can try an antihistamine like Benadryl or Claritin. They are both antihistamines. Antihistamines trigger your immune system. You might try a decongestant for your nose. It could help stop your runny nose. There are some risks to taking decongestants, so you shouldn't stay on them more than a few days.

Julie: I have some cold medicine left over from last year. Can I take it for my cold?

Pharmacist: Let me see the bottle. This medicine is past the expiration date. It might not be effective. I recommend you buy a new bottle.

Abby: My doctor gave me a new prescription. I have never taken this drug before. Can you tell me if this medicine has any side effects?

Pharmacist: This medicine may cause an upset stomach. It will help if you take it with food.