

EL Civics Additional Assessment Curriculum
Civic Objective #30: How to Use Pharmacies and Medicines

What is on a prescription that a doctor writes?

Sample Prescription

- 1 The patient's name and identifying information (age, address, date of birth)
- 2 Today's date
- 3 The name of the medication
- 4 The dosage of the medication
- 5 How many doses to be taken at once
- 6 By what route (oral, or otherwise) the medicine should be administered
- 7 How often the medicine should be taken and other details about how to take it, such as time of day, or with or without food
- 8 The number of doses to be dispensed at once (e.g., one month supply or more)
- 9 Number of refills
- 10 DEA number
- 11 Doctor's signature

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Name John Doe Age 55
Address Small Town, USA Date 07/19/09

Rx ibuprofen 600 mg.

Sig: i po qid pc prn

#120

Refill 3 times

DEA #1234 Mary Smith, M.D.