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 **THE LISTENING TAPESCRIPT**

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I don't understand how anyone can like medicine. I've never liked it. I used to refuse to take it as a kid because the taste was so disgusting. I'm not sure whether or not medicine is a good thing. I'm sure that most of the time our body will recover naturally, without medicine. I actually think medicine can be bad for us. It makes the body weaker because we rely on medicines too much. I also worry about the safety of medicines. I read too many times about side effects. How can doctors be sure that the medicines we take one day won't make us ill later in life. A lot of what goes into medicine isn't natural. I'm a big believer in natural medicine. That seems to make much more sense. The Chinese seem to have it right.



LISTENING GAP FILL

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UNJUMBLE THE WORDS

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
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STUDENT MEDICINE SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about medicine in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.
When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET INFO: Search the Internet and find more information about medicine. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about medicine. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

4. MEDICINE POSTER Make a poster about medicine. Show it to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your posters.

5. MY MEDICINE LESSON: Make your own English lesson on medicine. Make sure there is a good mix of things to do. Find some good online activities. Teach the class / another group when you have finished.

6. ONLINE SHARING: Use your blog, wiki, Facebook page, MySpace page, Twitter stream, Del-icio-us / StumbleUpon account, or any other social media tool to get opinions on medicine. Share your findings with the class.

