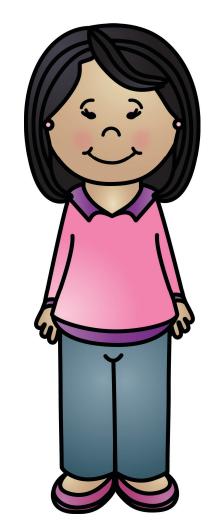
My mom has cancer

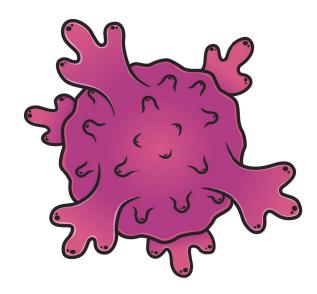




My mom is sick.

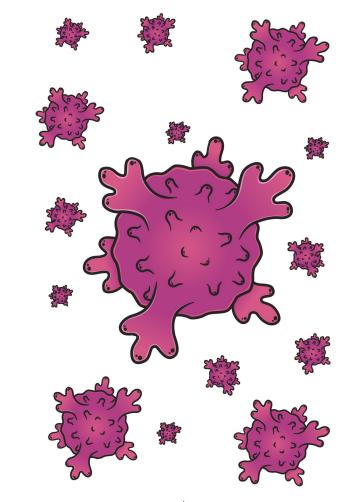
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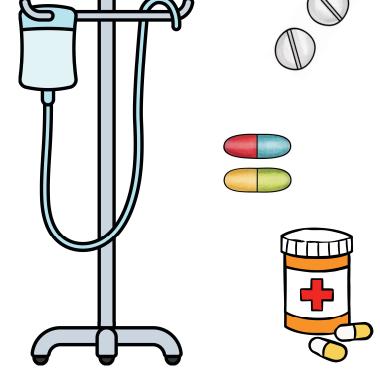
She has something that doctors call cancer.

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Cancer is when sick cells grow too fast in the body. You cannot catch cancer from someone else.





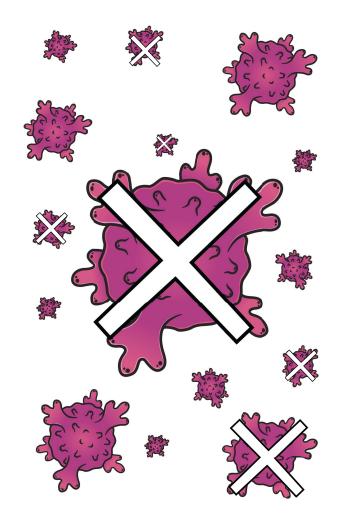
Most people who have cancer need to have chemotherapy.

Another word for it is "chemo".

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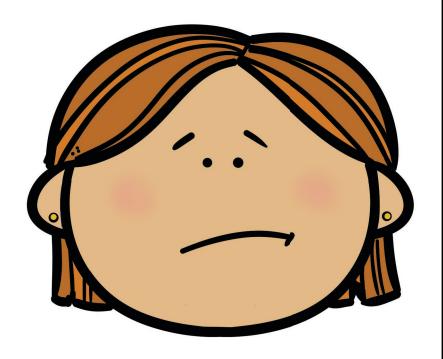


Chemo is a medicine that works on getting rid of the sick cells.



It can take a long time for chemo to make the sick cells go away.

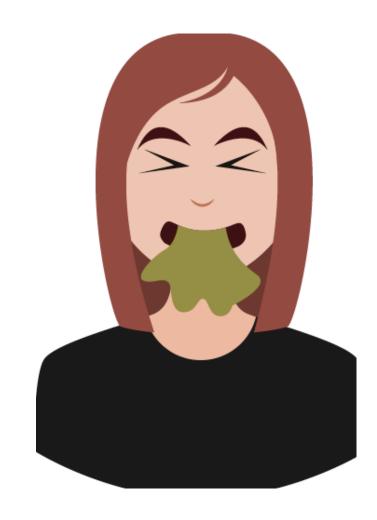
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When the chemo is making the sick cells go away, it can also make the person feel yucky.

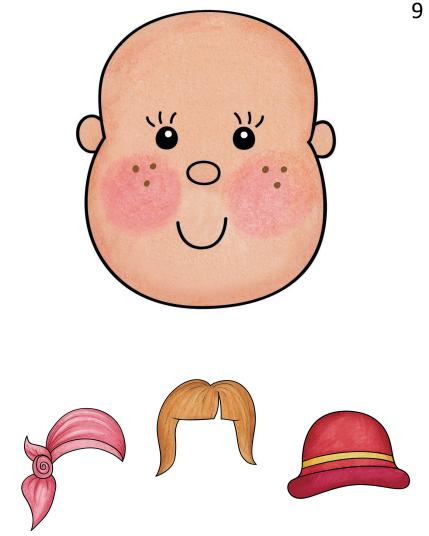
I might have to be a little more cautious and gentle around around my mom

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Chemo can make people throw up and feel very tired.

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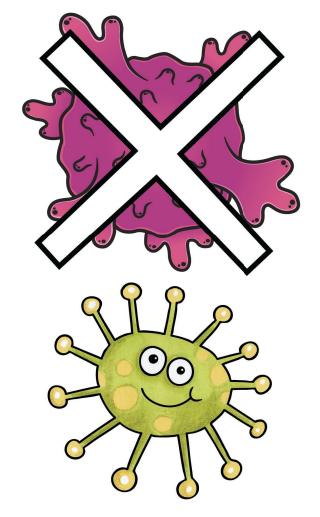


It can also make their hair fall out. Some people might wear a scarf, wig or hat on their head.



Hair grows back after the chemo medicine is done.

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The doctors hope that the chemo will get rid of the sick cells so that the healthy cells can grow!





If I have questions or worries or feel scared I can talk to my parents. It is important to talk about it!

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My mom is very brave and strong for fighting cancer!



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