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INTRODUCTORY TALK

The examiner at each level will ask the candidate one introductory question: Tell me/us in a few words about yourself and your professional duties.

Then examiner will ask three questions on one of the topics listed below.

- 1. Choice of profession.
- 2. Education of pharmaceutical professionals.
- 3. Daily routine of the professional.
- 4. Future perspectives of the profession.
- 5. Pharmaceutical research and development.
- 6. Pharmacist-client relationship.
- 7. The healthcare system.
- 8. Preventive healthcare/ prophylaxis.
- 9. The role of foreign languages.
- 10. Conventional vs. alternative medicine.



LEVEL C1 SPEAKING — TASK 2 PHARMACY

SITUATION

Task: Use the information presented below to interact with the client in a professional way.

Location: Pharmacy You: Pharmacist

Client: University student

FACT SHEET

Situation: You are a licensed pharmacist and work in a pharmacy where you sell natural remedies as well as other products. A student, who is in the middle of the examination period, comes with a prescription for *Ritalin* and he asks you to recommend some anti-stress drugs and stimulants. Fellow students have told him/her about drugs they usually use when they sit exams.

Many university students are relying on performance enhancing drugs to help them boost their averages. They often abuse prescription drugs such as anti-stress medications, antidepressants, or stimulants such as **Adderall**. 'Study drugs' like **Ritalin**, the first drug to treat attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, have been widely used by normal students hoping to be extra sharp while taking exams. Students hope their problems will fade with the dissolving of a pill, but it could even make things worse.

Naturopathic nutrients and botanical supplements that can help reduce stress and maintain productivity:

- magnesium, lavender preparations, etc.
- Wu Wei Zi herbal tea. The Schizandra berries tea has been used in Chinese medicine for centuries.

Memory Supplements:

- **Ginkgo biloba** is a supplement that tends to improve blood flow in small vessels. Studies show benefits in improving mood, alertness, and mental ability in healthy people.
- Mind Power Rx a mind supplement and memory pill has mixture of more than 15 herbal ingredients, vitamins, and amino acids that improve mental alertness and wakefulness along with boosting mental stamina and helping maintain healthy memory.
- Myco Formulas Memory nourishes your nervous system with four medicinal mushrooms that have been shown to safely and sustainably promote healthy brain function.
- Choline, is an organic, water-soluble compound. It is neither a vitamin nor a mineral. However, it is often grouped with the vitamin B complex due to its similarities. It helps the normal development of the brain and memory enhancement.

Act out the previously-presented situation based on the following tasks.

Note: You will be assessed on your ability to communicate not on your reading comprehension or your knowledge in the field of pharmacy.

TASKS

Talk about:

- 1. the prescription and why the student thinks he/she needs drugs when sitting examinations
- 2. the use of stimulants (energy drinks, coke, coffee, etc.) and ask about their use
- 3. combining stimulants with drugs
- 4. drugs college students often use to study (Adderall, Ritalin)
- 5. antidepressants and memory enhancement drugs used by healthy people
- 6. the side-effects of psychopharmaceuticals
- 7. overdose.

Suggest:

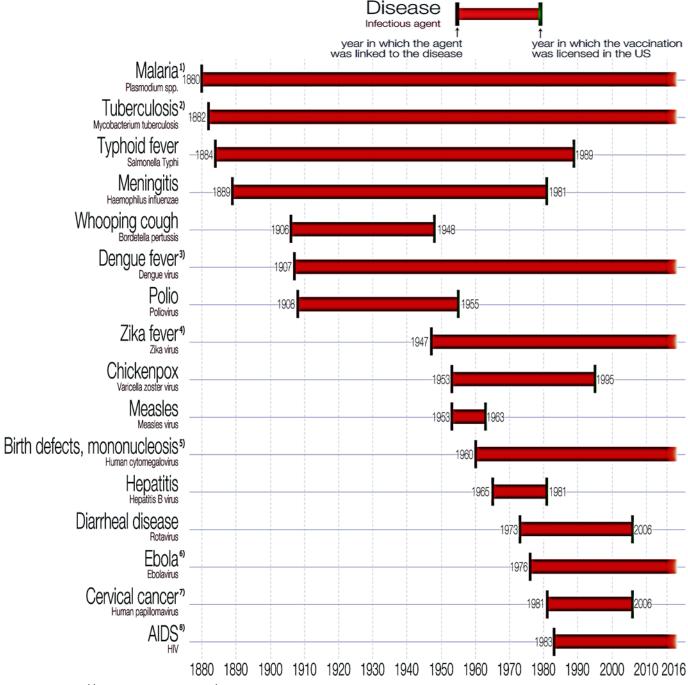
- 8. natural products that can reduce stress (magnesium, lavender, tea, any other product)
- 9. products that can enhance memory (Ginkgo biloba, Mind Power Rx, Myco Formulas Memory, Choline, any other products)
- 10. Discuss your professional opinion related to some of the above-mentioned issues and suggest consulting a psychologist.





Describe and explain the following diagram. Present the detailed information in 5-7 minutes.

Vaccination innovation, from 1880 to 2016



Source: https://ourworldindata.org/vaccination