



## ***Medicines and Me* - Extension Activities**

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### **GENERAL TEACHER INFORMATION**

Basic literacy, or the ability to read and write, is a common focus of education. However, there are a number of other types of literacy skills that are important for teens to develop, such as digital literacy, information literacy, health literacy, and media literacy.

The ***Medicines and Me*** lessons focus on **medication literacy**—“the ability of individuals to safely and appropriately access, understand, and act on basic medication information.” The ***Medicines and Me*** extension activities have been created to help students develop additional literacy skills that are important for medicine use.

The six extension activities can be used to develop additional literacy skills related to medicine use, such as media literacy, eHealth literacy, health literacy, functional literacy, communicative literacy, and research literacy. The teacher information for each of the extension activities identifies and describes the type of literacy developed through the activity.

- Activity 1: Medicine Advertising
- Activity 2: Using the Internet for Health Information
- Activity 3: Public Service Announcements
- Activity 4: How to Provide Easy to Understand Information
- Activity 5: Communicating with Health Care Providers
- Activity 6: Clinical Trials from a Patient’s Perspective