



DO YOU KNOW?

VIRUSES AND BACTERIA

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1

Look at pages 4–5. Write the correct word on the lines. The first one has been done for you.

~~microscope~~

bacteria

cells

virus

medicine

tiny

1 You use this to look at things that are too small to see.

microscope

2 This is the opposite of enormous.

3 You take this when you're unwell.

4 These live all around us, but are not visible.

5 Everything that lives is made of these.

6 This is very small, lives inside a cell and can be dangerous.

2

Look at pages 6–11. Read and write *T* (True) or *F* (False).
The first one has been done for you.

1 Bacteria are too large to be seen under a microscope.

F

2 Most bacteria are not harmful.

3 There are more human cells than bacteria cells in our bodies.

4 Bacteria cannot live on your skin.

5 All bacteria cells look the same.

6 Bacteria is used to make some food.

7 Yoghurt is made from good bacteria.

8 All bacteria are bad for us.



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3

Look at pages 12–21. Match the questions and answers. The first one has been done for you.

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| 1 What happens to cells when we get a virus? | a No, they only kill bacteria. |
| 2 What do viruses do? | b In 1928. |
| 3 How are some viruses spread? | c The virus multiplies inside the cell until the cell breaks. |
| 4 Can viruses be seen? | d They travel through the air. |
| 5 Do antibiotics help kill viruses? | e It is caused by a virus. |
| 6 What is penicillin? | f No, you have to look at them through a microscope. |
| 7 When was penicillin discovered? | g It is a type of antibiotic. |
| 8 Is a cold caused by a virus or bacteria? | h They give us diseases. |

4

Look at pages 22–29. Put a (✓) or a (X) in the boxes to show what things help stop viruses. The first one has been done for you.

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| 1 Have a vaccine. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 Wear a face mask. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 Wash your hands. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4 Take antibiotics. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5 Rest. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6 Drink lots of water. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7 Don't go outside in winter. | <input type="checkbox"/> |