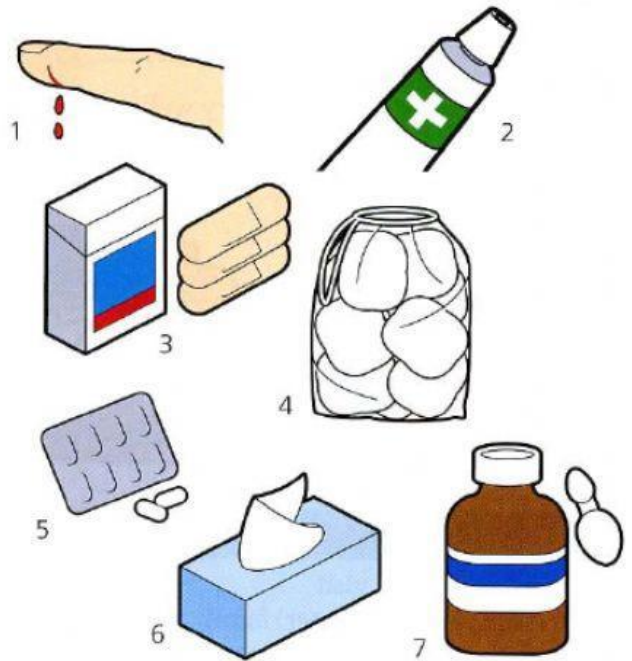


I can get help at the chemist's

In a **chemist's shop**, a **chemist** (Ch) is talking to a **customer** (C).

- Ch Can I help you?
 C Yes, I **cut**¹ my finger yesterday, and it really hurts.
 Ch You **need** some **antiseptic cream**² for it.
 C Right. **Could I have** some **plasters**³ and some **cotton wool**⁴, please?
 Ch Yes, of course. That's €5.60, please.
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- Ch Yes?
 C Er, I **need something** for a cold.
 Ch Right, well, **try** these **tablets**⁵ – they're very good.
 C OK, and how often do I **take** them?
 Ch Take two tablets every four hours with water.
 C Thanks. And I'd like a **box of tissues**⁶, please, and some cough **medicine**⁷.



Glossary

- need** If you **need** something, it's necessary or important for you to have it.
antiseptic You put **antiseptic cream** on a cut to clean it.
try use something (e.g. a tablet, medicine) to see if it helps
take a tablet eat a tablet (also **take medicine**)

spotlight Asking for things in a chemist's

You can ask for **something** for a problem or an illness in a chemist's. **Could I have something for a headache, (please)?** means 'please give me some medicine because I've got a headache.'
I need something for a cold.

1 Correct the spelling. Be careful: one is correct.

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| ► chemist <u>chemist</u> | 3 something | 6 farmacist |
| 1 coton wool | 4 anteseptic | 7 creme |
| 2 tissus | 5 plastres | 8 medicin |

2 Complete the sentences using phrases from the box.

for toothache, please help you a sore throat some plasters, please
 take these tablets wool this medicine – it's very good cream
 tablet three times a day for your finger a box of ✓

Customer

- I'd like a box of tissues, please.
 1 Have you got something for ?
 2 How often do I ?
 3 I need something
 4 I need some cotton
 5 Could I have ?

Chemist

- 6 You need some plasters
 7 Try
 8 Take one
 9 Do you need antiseptic ?
 10 Can I ?