

a Listen to the song and ~~cross out~~ the extra word in each line.

Just Like a Pill

Verse 1

- 1 I'm lying ~~down~~ here on the floor where you left me
- 2 I think I just took too much
- 3 I'm crying out here, what have you done?
- 4 I thought it would be great fun

Chorus

- 5 I can't stay here on your life support, there's a shortage in the switch
- 6 I can't stay on your morphine, 'cos it's really making me itch
- 7 I said I tried to call the nurse again but she's being a real little witch
- 8 I think I'll get right outta here, where I can
- 9 Run just as fast as I possibly can
- 10 Run to the middle of nowhere
- 11 Get to the middle of my frustrated fears
- 12 And I swear that you're just like a pill
- 13 Instead of making me feel better you keep making me ill
You keep making me ill

Verse 2

- 14 I haven't moved yet from the spot where you left me
- 15 This must be a very bad trip
- 16 All of the other pills, they were so different
- 17 Maybe I should get some help now

Chorus



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SONG FACTS

This song was American singer Pink's first number 1 hit in the UK in 2002. The lyrics of the song are about trying to get out of a difficult relationship, using the metaphor of a patient being in hospital and dependent on the medication and equipment there. It also deals with Pink's own problems with drugs.

b Listen to the song again with the lyrics. Find words in the song which mean the following:

- 1 a piece of equipment which keeps you alive when you can't breathe

- 2 a feeling on your skin which makes you want to scratch

- 3 an idiom which means a place which is a long way away from other buildings or towns

- 4 annoyed and impatient because you can't do what you want

- 5 say that something is definitely true

GLOSSARY

(electrical) shortage = short circuit
'cos = short form of *because*
morphine = a powerful drug made from opium used to reduce pain
outta = out of
bad trip (*NAmE, informal*) = a bad experience related to taking drugs