

# Lesson - Health and Hygiene

## Homework

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1 - Define the following terms :

- (a) **Healthy**: Health is defined as a state of complete physical, mental, and social well-being, not merely the absence of disease or infirmity.
- (b) **Disease** : Disease is any harmful deviation from the normal structural or functional state of an organism .

2 - Describe a recent common disease that you have recovered from recently . Mention its causes , symptoms and treatment .

**Ans:** Dengue fever, commonly known as break bone fever is a flu-like illness caused by the Dengue virus . It is caused when an Aedes mosquito carrying the virus bites a healthy person .

**Causes of Dengue:**

Dengue is ~~caused~~ caused due to four viruses , namely - DENV-1 , DENV-2 , DENV-3 and DENV-4 . The virus enters a mosquito when it bites an already infected person . And the illness is spread when it bites a healthy person , and the virus spreads through the person's bloodstream .

Usually, symptoms of Dengue feel like an uncomplicated fever and not easily identifiable in teens and children. Dengue causes a fever of  $10^4$  F degrees along with at least two of these symptoms:

- Headache
- Muscle, bone and joint pain
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Pain behind the eyes
- Swollen glands
- Rash

#### Dengue Treatment:

There is no specific treatment of Dengue fever or cure as Dengue is a virus.

Timely intervention can help, depending on how severe the disease is. Here are a few basic treatments of Dengue fever.

- Medication: Painkillers like Tylenol or paracetamol are generally prescribed to the patients. IV drips are sometimes supplemented in case of severe dehydration.

- Stay hydrated : This is crucial as most of our bodily fluids are lost during vomiting and high fever . Continuous intake of fluids will make sure that the body does not easily dehydrate .
- Hygiene : Hygiene is of the outmost importance even more so when you are not well . The patient can opt for a sponge bath if not a regular bath . Add a few drops of disinfectant liquid like Dettol to the water being used for bathing .

Q3. What are the features of a healthy human being ?

Ans: A healthy human being has generally the following features :

- a clear skin ,
- bright , clear eyes ,
- a body neither too fat <sup>nor</sup> too thin .
- fresh breathe ,
- good appetite ,
- sound sleep ,
- regular activity of bladder and bowels ,
- co-ordinate body movements .

Q4- Differentiate between communicable and non-communicable diseases by giving example of each.

Ans:

Communicable disease

- It disease which can spread from one person to the other through the air, water, bodily fluids etc.

Non-communicable disease which does not spread from one person to another via any kind of mode.

- They are contagious.

For examples: TB, ~~water~~ → Rickets, Diabetes, Typhoid, Malaria, AIDS, Allergies, Cancer, Cholera and more. Kwashiorkor, Heart disease and more

Q5- List 5 factors that determine a good health

Ans: 5 factors that determine a good health are:

- Hygiene food
- Cleanliness of environment
- Personal hygiene
- Physical exercise
- Healthy habits