Ch 9: Understanding Drugs & Medicines

1. What is a drug?
2. The term DRUG refers to what two types?
3. Name the six ways drugs can enter the body.
4. What does FDA stand for?
5. What does the FDA do regarding drugs/medicines?
6. What is drug addiction?
7. What is drug withdrawal?
8. What is drug interaction?
9. What are 3 ways you can make sure you are taking medicines safely and correctly?

10. For each deﬁnition below, choose the key term that best

matches the deﬁnition.

a. a medicine that can be obtained only with a written order

from a doctor

b. a term used for a drug or medicine that changes how a

person perceives, thinks, or feels

c. a medicine that is made by a company other than the

company that developed the medicine

d. an unintended and sometimes harmful effect of a drug

11. From what two sources do all drugs and medicines come from?

12. Explain why some drugs are called drugs of abuse.

13. Identify four behaviors that could be warning signs of drug

abuse and addiction.

14. Describe the role of withdrawal in maintaining a drug addiction.

15. Define the following types of drugs, the active ingredient, and

what they are used for.

1. Analgesic
2. Antihistamine
3. Steroid anti-inflammatory
4. Stimulant
5. Anti-anxiety
6. Sedative

16. What is a psychoactive drug?

17. List three side effects and/or allergies to drug/medicines that can

happen to a person taking that drug/medicine.

18. List 3 ways you can make sure that you take medicines safely

and correctly.

19. List 3 ways that people could take medicines UNSAFELY and

INCORRECTLY.