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# The ins and outs of antibiotics

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# Antibiotic FAQs

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## When would I need to take antibiotics?

Antibiotics are used to treat bacterial infections. If your doctor thinks you need antibiotics, it's important to take them exactly as prescribed.

## Do antibiotics work for viruses?

No, antibiotics only kill bacteria. They won't work on a virus like the flu or the common cold.

## Do antibiotics have side effects?

Antibiotics can have side effects like:

- Rash
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Yeast infections

## What is antibiotic resistance?

Antibiotic resistance is when bacteria become stronger than antibiotics. This makes it harder for antibiotics to kill the bacteria and treat the infection. Resistant bacteria can spread to other people, causing more harm.

## TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR TO DECIDE IF ANTIBIOTICS ARE RIGHT FOR YOU.

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