

**Lesson 6:** New medicines

**Task 5(a):** What makes a good new medicine?

All new medicines need to be effective, safe, stable and dealt with successfully by the human body. Match each term to its description.

The drug must not be toxic (poisonous) and there must not be any unacceptable side-effects.

**STABLE**

The medicine must reach the target in the body and then be removed once it has done its job.

**SAFE**

It must prevent or cure the disease it is aimed at or, at least, make the patient feel better.

**SUCCESSFULLY TAKEN INTO & REMOVED FROM BODY**

The medicine must be able to be used under normal conditions and be stored for some time.

**EFFECTIVE**