



## *Questions To Ask a Doctor or Pharmacist*

**Take this with you to your doctor or pharmacist.**

What is the name of the medicine I have been prescribed? \_\_\_\_\_

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Is there a generic form of the drug? If so, what is it called? \_\_\_\_\_

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Why am I taking it? \_\_\_\_\_

Do I really need it? \_\_\_\_\_

What are the side effects? Which should I report immediately? \_\_\_\_\_

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How often should I take the medication? \_\_\_\_\_

How much do I take? \_\_\_\_\_

What should I do if I miss a dose? \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any special precautions I should be aware of (such as taking with or without food)? Specifically ask, "Can I drink alcohol with this medication?" \_\_\_\_\_

When should I take the drug? What time of day? Do I have to wake up in the middle of the night to take a dose? \_\_\_\_\_

When can I stop taking this drug? \_\_\_\_\_

May I drive while taking this drug? \_\_\_\_\_

Will this drug interact with any other prescription or over-the-counter medications I am taking? \_\_\_\_\_