

## Task Title: Reading a Medicine Dosage Chart

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Learner Name:		 
Date Started:		 
Date Completed:		 
Successful Completion:	Yes No	
Goal Path:	Employment	Apprenticeship
Secondary School	Post Secondary	Independence

**Task Description:** The learner will interpret a medicine dosage chart to determine the correct dosage and time it should be given.

## Main Competency/Task Group/Level Indicator:

- Find and Use Information/Interpret documents/A2.2
- Understand and Use Numbers/Manage time/C2.2

## **Materials Required:**

• Pen/pencil and paper and/or digital device

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### Learner Information

Tylenol<sup>®</sup> is the name brand for a medicine called Acetaminophen. It can be taken to help relieve pain from colds, headaches, and muscle aches. It can also be used to help reduce a fever.

You are looking after your friend's child for the afternoon. You notice that the child has a mild fever. You call your friend on the phone and she says it's ok to give the child Tylenol<sup>®</sup>.

Scan the "Tylenol® Dosage Chart".

### **Tylenol Dosage Chart**

#### CHILDREN'S MEDICAL GROUP SUGGESTED ACETAMINOPHEN DOSAGE CHART

Age	Weight	Drops 80mg/0.8ml Dropper full	Elixir 160mg/5ml	Chewable Tablets 80mg	Junior Strength 160mg caplets
0-3 mo*	6-11 lbs	1/2 dppr** 0.4 ml	-	-	-
4-11 mo	12-17 lbs	1 dppr** 0.8 ml	1/2 tsp	-	-
12-23 mo	18-23 lbs	1 1/2 dppr** 1.2 ml	3/4 tsp	-	-
2-3 yrs	24-35 lbs	2 dppr** 1.6 ml	1 tsp	2 tablets	-
4-5 yrs	36-47 lbs	-	1 1/2 tsp	3 tablets	-
6-8 yrs	48-59 lbs	-	2 tsp	4 tablets	2 caplets
9-10 yrs	60-71 lbs	-	2 1/2 tsp	5 tablets	2 1/2 caplets
11 yrs	72-95 lbs	-	3 tsp	6 tablets	3 caplets
12-14 yrs	96+ lbs	-	-	-	4 caplets

Doses should be administered 4-5 times daily or as directed by your physician. Do not exceed 5 doses in 24 hours.

\*Do not give acetaminophen to infants under 3 months of age unless specifically directed by the physician or nurse. Infants under 3 months of age with fever of 100.4° or greater taken rectally should be seen by a physician.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Dropper full

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# Work Sheet

Task 1: The child is 4 years old and weighs 40 pounds. List the types of Tylenol and the doses of each that you could give this child.
Answer:
Task 2: You give the child the first dose of medicine at 4:30pm. What time could you give the next dose?
Answer:
Task 3: What is the maximum number of doses you can give the child in a day (24 hours)?
Answer: