

## 5. Student Activity--Decoding the OTC DFL

Directions: Fill in the spaces below with the Drug Facts Label section the clue describes. Then, using the circled letters, answer question #9. Use the capital letters in the clues, and your knowledge of the Drug Facts Label, to answer #10.

1. problems the medicine will treat:

u s e s

2. not required on the label, usually a phone number to call for more information:

q u e s t i o n s

3. name and quantity of medicines in the OTC:

a c t i v e i n g r e d i e n t

4. when to stop use and things you should not do while taking the medicine:

w a r n i n g s

5. substances in the medicine that are not drugs:

i n a c t i v e i n g r e d i e n t s

6. how and when to safely use the drug:

d i r e c t i o n s

7. what the medicine does:

p u r p o s e

8. storage instructions are found here:

o t h e r i n f o r m a t i o n

Unscramble the circled letters to answer this question:

9. Drugs and OTC medicine are used by consumers to self-diagnose and treat common illnesses.

10. The parts of the DFL must be written in a specific order. Decode the answer to the following question by unscrambling the capital letters found in each clue. The correct answer requires you to place the letters in the same order as the DFL parts appear on the label.

The amount of active ingredient present in each dose of an over-the-counter-medicine:

s t r e n g t h