

Directions: Fill in the blanks.

Pat was a c\_\_ch in an after school program for kids. She worked outside most of the time. It was M\_\_\_, and for Pat that meant one thing, – h\_\_\_ fever. She was allergic to the weeds that grew in a big field next to the school. Every day she would sneeze. Her eyes would water. Her nose would run. It was a real p\_\_\_n.

Pat’s doctor gave her a prescription for Zyrtec. She filled the prescription at a nearby drug store. The pharmacist put a fact sh\_\_\_t about Zyrtec in the bag with the medicine. Then Pat drove to work.

Pat t\_\_\_k her first dose when she got to the sch\_\_\_l. She had not eaten for a few hours. The fact sheet said it was OK to take the medicine on an empty stomach or with f\_\_\_d.

It was time to get to work. Pat went \_\_\_tside with the kids. They played games. They sang songs. They ran ar\_\_\_nd a lot. The good news was that Pat did not sn\_\_\_ze or wheeze. Her eyes did not water. She thought, “This medicine is working.” But she was also

feeling very tired. She wished she could go home and lie d\_\_\_n. “All this activity must be getting to me,” she thought.

By 6:30 p.m. the kids had gone home. Pat got in her car. She couldn't w\_\_\_t to get home. She put the car in reverse to back out of her parking spot. She looked behind her and stepped on the gas.

All of a sudden there was a l\_\_\_d crash and a big jolt. Pat's seat belt locked up. She was stunned. “What on earth?” she cried.

She turned and looked ah\_\_\_d. Her car had smashed into the tree in front of her. She had not put the car in reverse. She had put it in drive instead. “Oh no!” she groaned.

Pat's car was a wreck. She had to get it t\_\_\_ed. She was very upset. “I don't kn\_\_\_ how I could have done that?” she cried. “I've never done that before. Thank goodness I didn't hit anyone!”

The new medicine had made her very dr\_\_\_sy. The Zyrtec fact sheet warned not to drive until you know h\_\_\_ you react to the medicine. Pat had ignored that warning. She was very sorry that she did.