



# LOOK-A-LIKES



Deadly Look-A-Likes are any poisonous products that may cause illness and /or death when mistaken for food or drink.

HEALTHY HOMES = HEALTHY KIDS

## THE BEDROOM

- ▶ **What deadly-look-a-likes may be found in the bedroom?**
  - ointments • medications • perfumes • nail polish and remover • mothballs
- ▶ **What is deadly-look-a-like poisoning in the bedroom?**
  - Poisoning may happen when medicine, health products, cosmetics or mothballs are mistaken for food or beverages
- ▶ **What happens when bedroom deadly-look-a-likes poison someone?**
  - weakness • vomiting • alcohol intoxication • mouth injuries • liver damage • coma • death
- ▶ **Where are deadly-look-a-likes found in your bedroom?**
  - Bedside tables and dressers
  - Closets and drawers
- ▶ **What should you do if deadly-look-a-likes are in your bedroom?**
  - Keep all products in cabinets out of the reach of young children
  - Replace toxic mothballs with non-toxic ones in clothes closets or drawers
- ▶ **Did you know?**
  - 90% of poisonings happen in the home and over 75% of the poisonings are accidental and happen mostly to children between six months and five years of age

## THE KITCHEN

- ▶ **What deadly-look-a-likes may be found in the kitchen?**
  - insecticides • rodenticides • dish detergents • drain cleaners • food flavoring (extract)
- ▶ **What is deadly-look-a-like poisoning from the kitchen?**
  - Poisoning may happen when kitchen products containing harmful chemicals are mistaken for food or beverages
- ▶ **What happens when deadly-look-a-likes found in kitchen poison someone?**
  - vomiting • stomach cramps • throat irritations • kidney damage • alcohol poisoning • death
- ▶ **Where are kitchen deadly-look-a-likes found in your home?**
  - under sinks • unlocked cupboards • floors • counters • beverage bottles containing cleaning products
- ▶ **What should you do if deadly-look-a-likes are in your kitchen**
  - Keep all pesticides or cleaning products in their original containers
  - Keep children out of cupboards by installing safety locks on doors
- ▶ **Did you know?**
  - Most children over two years of age can climb and reach places that you think are safe
  - Poisonous products and foods should never be stored on the same shelf
  - You should never bring cleaning products home from work, because they not intended for use around children in your home



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## THE BATHROOM

- ▶ **What deadly-look-a-likes may be found in the bathroom?**
  - medicine ● vitamins ● rubbing alcohol ● ointments ● cleaning products ● mouthwashes
- ▶ **What is a deadly-look-a-like poisoning in the bathroom?**
  - Poisoning may happen when someone eats or drinks medicines, cosmetics, and vitamins, all-purpose cleaning products or drain cleaner found in the bathroom
- ▶ **What happens when bathroom deadly-look-a-likes poison someone?**
  - drowsiness ● upset stomach ● diarrhea ● liver damage ● throat burning ● death
- ▶ **Where are deadly-look-a-likes found in your bathroom?**
  - medicine cabinets ● counter tops ● under sink cabinets
- ▶ **What should you do if deadly-look-a-likes are in your bathroom?**
  - Keep all medicines in child-resistant containers
  - Never leave small children alone in the bathroom
  - Do not call medications candy
- ▶ **Did you know?**
  - Most poisonings happen around mealtime when a child is hungry and you are distracted
  - Listed among the most dangerous poisons are medicines and iron pills
  - Child-resistant containers are not child proof, which means they may not stop a child from opening the container

## THE GARAGE and GARDEN AREA

- ▶ **What are some deadly-look-a-likes found in the garage and garden area?**
  - gasoline ● antifreeze ● charcoal lighter fluid ● some plants ● lawn mushrooms ● pesticides
- ▶ **What is poisoning from deadly-look-a-likes found in the garage and garden area?**
  - Poisoning may happen when automobile or grilling products, pesticides or plants are swallowed
- ▶ **What happens when a deadly-look-a-like found in the garage and garden poisons someone?**
  - mouth irritation ● nausea ● vomiting ● watery or bloody diarrhea ● tremors ● convulsions ● cancer
- ▶ **Where may deadly-look-a-likes found in your garage and garden area?**
  - automobile and lawnmower fuels ● shrubbery with berries ● flowering plants
  - lawn mushrooms ● liquid and powder insecticides and herbicides
- ▶ **What should you do if deadly-look-a-likes are in your garage and garden?**
  - Keep automobile and grilling products out of children's reach and in locked storage areas
  - Know which plants in and around your home can be poisonous, and keep them away from children
  - Never transfer garden products to soft drink bottles or other containers. Children may mistake them for food or drink.
- ▶ **Did you know?**
  - There are no tests to help you tell a poisonous mushroom from a nonpoisonous mushroom
  - Areas in and around your home can be a dangerous place when it comes to accidental poisoning of children