



Review and Application Exercises

1. What is the difference between local and systemic effects of drugs?
2. Can a client experience systemic effects of local drugs and local effects of systemic drugs? Why or why not?
3. Why is it helpful for nurses to know the generic names of commonly used medications?
4. Why is it helpful to study prototypes of drug groups?
5. List at least three strategies for studying pharmacology.
6. List at least three authoritative sources of drug information.

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