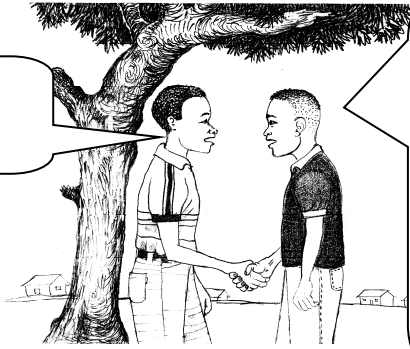


# Tell your family and neighbours

Hi Joseph. Are you feeling better?



Hi! I am much better thank you.  
The dispensary used a new test for malaria called mRDT. It showed that I did not have malaria.  
The health worker explained to me that antimalarials would not help.  
He advised me to rest and take paracetamol.  
Now I am fine.

## Use this leaflet to tell others about the new malaria test

The only way to know if we or our children have malaria is to be tested.



At the dispensary there is a new quality test for malaria called mRDT. I tested negative for malaria.

Health workers explained to me that now malaria is decreasing, we can expect more negative results in our area.

We are happy that fewer people have malaria these days.  
We know to trust the advice of health workers after they test for malaria!



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# When you think you or your child has malaria.

I am taking Juma to the dispensary.  
He is not well today.



In this dispensary, we are now using this new malaria test called malaria Rapid Diagnostic Test in short mRDT.



It is a real good test. I will take a drop of Juma's blood and test to see if he has malaria

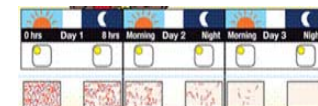
## This is the new malaria test called malaria Rapid Diagnostic Test (mRDT).



In 20 minutes the test will give correct results by itself, to show if there is malaria.

The mRDT shows Juma has Malaria.

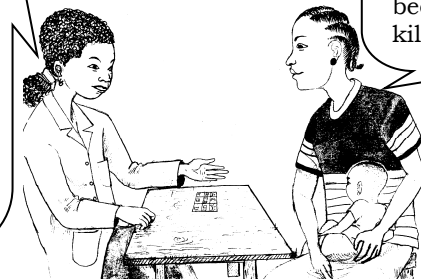
Be sure to give him one tablet in the morning and one in the evening for 3 days.



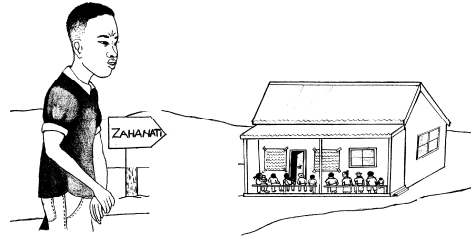
Do you have any questions mama?



Thank you. I understand Juma must finish all of the malaria tablets even if he looks better because we need to kill all the parasites.

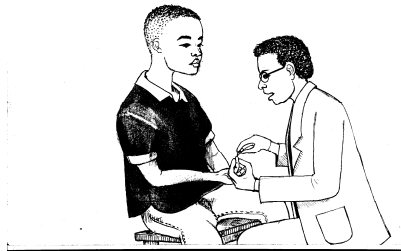
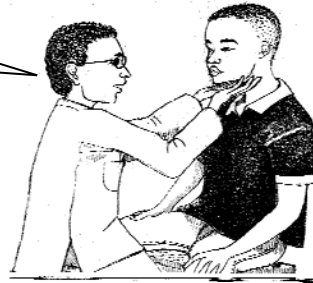


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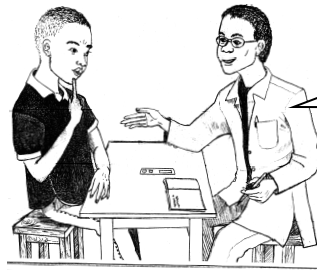


Joseph is feeling weak and has body pain. He is going to the dispensary for advice

Joseph, first I would like to examine you and then test you with the new malaria test.



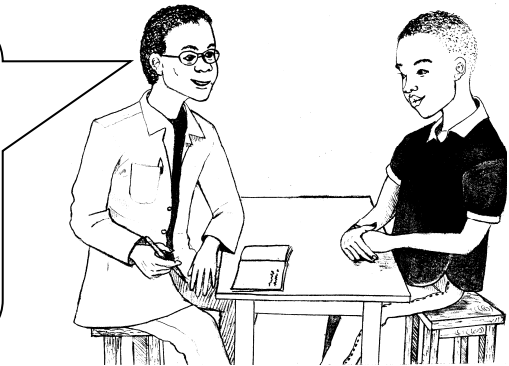
The test results show Joseph does not have malaria



Joseph, the test shows there is no malaria. It is a reliable test and if it does not see malaria it means for sure there is no malaria

# Cont... sometimes, the test will show no malaria

I think you have a virus illness like flu. You need to take some paracetamol and to rest. You should not take any antimalarials because mRDT showed that you do not have malaria. If you have any questions I would be happy if you ask me.



At home, Joseph took a paracetamol tablet and drank water. He then took some rest.

He did not take antimalarials because the mRDT showed he did not have malaria.



.....a few days later



I feel fine now. The health worker was right; I don't need to take antimalarials when the malaria test shows no malaria.