

Unit 6: Living with TB Today

Activity 1: Their Stories - Video Comprehension

Watch the video “Lives in the Balance” and answer the following questions:

1. What does MDR-TB stand for?
2. True or False: TB is the leading cause of death among patients with HIV.
3. ____% of the deaths of HIV patients in Myanmar are due to TB.
4. Why does Nyan Do (4:20) claim people in Myanmar are not afraid of MDR-TB?
5. What are some of the possible side-effects of drugs given to treat MDR-TB?
6. If there are 9300 cases of MDR-TB diagnosed each year in Myanmar, and 300 of those cases are treated, what percentage of MDR-TB cases is being treated?
7. What were some of the hurdles that Ma Moe Moe (5:38) faced to getting her MDR-TB treated?
8. This video was produced by Medecins Sans Frontieres. What do you think their goal was?

Watch the video “Share my Solitude” and answer the following questions:

1. Why was Happiness so scared when she was diagnosed with MDR-TB?
2. What treatments did Happiness receive for her TB?
3. List some of the side-effects Happiness experienced from her medications.

4. What are some of the social changes Happiness has experienced since her diagnosis? Consider her relationships with her family, friends, and community.

Almost 500,000 new cases of MDR-TB are diagnosed each year but only 7% are treated. Why do you think that is? What can be done to improve the number of people receiving treatment?