NURSES USE LAUGHTER AS MEDICINE

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A2TrIY862kw&feature=youtu.be

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

1- Why is there a chicken at the beginning of the video?

The clown talks about chickenpox which is a disease; this is supposed to be funny.

2- How long has Michael been a clown?

For more than 20 years.

3- What is the purpose of his job in the hospital?

It is to bring smiles to desperately ill children in hospitals across the country and teach students at New York University's College of Nursing.

4- Why is it important for nurses to learn coping skills?

The children are very ill, and a lot of students become incredibly frightened, and they just would freeze up when they see the children.

5- What is the consequence of being a clown for a nurse?

They are making the patients more comfortable and the nurses themselves feel more comfortable.

6- What is the consequence for children?

The child is healthy for that time. They are engaged in play, wonder, awe, joy.

VOCABULARY QUEST

(to) ail	affliger
(to) freeze up	se figer
(to) heal	soigner, guérir
(to) shimmer	miroiter
(to) turn into	transformer en
chickenpox	varicelle
coping skills	capacité d'adaptation
incredibly	incroyablement
laughter	(le) rire
medicine	médicament
safe	en sécurité
smile	sourire
ultimately	en fin de compte

TRANSLATION

1. Les sourires et le rire ne peuvent malheureusement pas guérir la varicelle.

Unfortunately, smiles and laughter cannot heal chickenpox.

2. Il ne s'agit pas de transformer les infirmières en clowns.

It is not about turning nurses into clowns.

3. En fin de compte, les élèves infirmiers apprennent plus d'un clown que d'un manuel de médecine.

Ultimately, the student nurses learn more from a clown than from a medical textbook.

4. La maladie les fait souffrir et ils se figent quand le médecin n'a pas les compétences requises.

The disease ails them and they freeze up when the doctor does not have the right skills.

5. Les enfants se sentent en sécurité lorsque l'infirmier entre dans leur chambre.

Children feel safe when the male nurse enters their room.