

Section 3

Consonants (C)

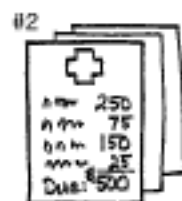
Unit C1i-A [p] pill—[b] bill

Story

Listen to the story as your teacher reads it, or on tape, until you understand the main ideas.

When my sister was young, she was often sick. Sometimes her illnesses were very bad. One winter, when my mother took my sister to the doctor, we found out that she had pneumonia and strep throat. She had to take penicillin. The penicillin (1) **pills** that the doctor gave her were so large that we called them horse pills. My sister hated to take them, but she knew she had to in order to get better.

Of course, medical care is not cheap, and because my sister was sick so often the doctor (2) **bills** were also very large. My mother hated receiving those big bills as much as my sister hated taking her big pills. But if we didn't pay them, the doctor might not help us the next time my sister got sick.



Contrasting Sentences

Listening: Write the appropriate key word in each blank. Later, as you hear each sentence, mark the box, point to the picture, make a gesture, and/or say the rejoinder. Speaking: Choose and say each sentence so that your listener(s) can respond correctly.

- Those _____ are very large! (They'll be hard to swallow.)
- Those _____ are very large! (They'll be hard to pay.)

Explanations and diagrams for this unit's target sounds are on pages 335–36 in Section 10.