

JOKE BOOK *For Nurses*

“Keeping Sane” should be a chapter title in a nursing textbook, right? Well, consider this the missing chapter! Here’s a compilation of nursing jokes!

Stop us if you’ve heard this one before...

1 ~ THE NURSE WHO DIDN'T KNOW WHERE SHE WAS.

Q: Did you hear about the nurse who died and went straight to hell?

A: It took her two weeks to realize that she wasn't at work anymore!

2 ~ EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION IN NURSING SCHOOL

A male patient is lying in bed in the hospital, wearing an oxygen mask over his mouth and nose, still heavily sedated from a difficult four-hour surgical procedure. A young student nurse appears to give him a partial sponge bath. “Nurse,” he mumbles from behind the mask. “Are my testicles black?”

Embarrassed, the young nurse replies, “I don’t know, sir. I’m only here to wash your upper body and feet.”

He struggles to ask again, “Nurse, are my testicles black?”

Concerned that he may elevate his vitals from worry about his testicles, she overcomes her embarrassment and sheepishly pulls back the covers. She raises his gown, holds his penis in one hand and his testicles in the other. Then, she takes a close look and says, “There’s nothing wrong with them, sir!”

The man pulls off his oxygen mask, smiles at her and says very slowly, “Thank you very much. That was wonderful, but listen very, very closely...

Are – my – test – results – back?”

3 ~ NURSING KNOCK-KNOCK JOKE

Knock knock!

Who's there?

Billy.

Billy who?

Billy Rubin.

4 ~ NURSING RIDDLE

Why did the nurse always insist on using the rectal thermometer to obtain temperatures?

She was taught in nursing school to always look for her patient's best side.

5 ~ WHO NEEDS FRIENDS LIKE THESE?

A nurse had to take a patient back to her room after surgery. The woman was still feeling the effects of the anesthetic and was rather confused. After the nurse had made her comfortable, she was confronted with four of the woman's friends. One of them asked, "How is she?" The nurse replied, "Oh, she's quite dopey." One of the other friends said, "We know that, but how is she health-wise?"

6 ~ SIMPLE OPERATION

A man was wheeling himself frantically down the hall of the hospital in his wheelchair just before his operation. A nurse stopped him and asked, "What's the matter?"

He said, "I heard the nurse say, 'It's a very simple operation, don't worry, I'm sure it will be all right.'"

"She was just trying to comfort you. What's so frightening about that?"

"She wasn't talking to me. She was talking to the doctor!"

7 ~ A ROUTINE PHYSICAL

A man goes in for a routine physical. The nurse starts with the basics.

“How much do you weigh?” she asks.

“Oh, about 165,” he says.

The nurse puts him on the scale. It turns out that his weight is 197.

The nurse asks, “Your height?”

“Oh, about six feet,” he says.

The nurse checks and sees that he’s only 5 feet 6 3/4 inches.

She then takes his blood pressure, and it’s very high.

“High!” the man says, “Well, what did you expect?
When I came in here, I was tall and lanky.

Now, I’m short and fat!”

8 ~ PATIENT REASSURANCE

“I’m so worried,” the nervous patient said as the nurse plumped up his pillows. “Last week, I read about a man who was in the hospital because of heart trouble and he died of malaria.”

“Relax,” the nurse said, smiling. “This is a first-rate hospital. When we treat someone for heart trouble, he dies of heart trouble.”

9 ~ RESPIRATORY ASSESSMENTS

The nurse went in to check her respiratory distress patient in the Critical Care Unit who was getting oxygen via a mask. The nurse tried to talk to him, but all she could get out of him was gasping and unintelligible talk.

Finally, the nurse thrust a note pad and pencil at the patient and said, “I can’t understand you, sir. Please write it down.”

The patient weakly scribbled on the pad: “Get your foot off my oxygen tube!”

10 ~ DOCTOR IN HELL

A doctor dies and goes to hell. The devil greets him and tells him that since he was a doctor and did some good, he could choose his eternity. The devil opens the first door. There are doctors hanging from their ankles being whipped by demons.

“Oh my God, I don’t want that,” the doctor exclaims.

The devil opens a second door to reveal doctors on fire being chased by huge beasts.

“That one is even worse!” says the doctor, getting more nervous.

The devil opens a third door to reveal doctors in lounge chairs being served tropical drinks by beautiful nurses.

“Sign me up for that eternity!” the doctor states.

The devil then slams that door and says, “You can’t go there — you weren’t supposed to see that.”

“Why can’t I go there?” the doctor asks.

The devil replies, “Well...that’s nurse hell.”

11 ~ THE NURSE RECRUITING GAME

A skilled nurse died and arrived before St. Peter, who explained, “We have this little policy of allowing you to choose whether you want to spend eternity in heaven or in hell.”

“How do I know which to choose?” she asked.

“That’s easy,” said St. Peter. “You have to spend a day in each place before making a decision.”

With that, he put the nurse on an elevator and sent her down to hell. The elevator doors opened and the nurse found herself in a sunny garden, where many former friends and colleagues warmly greeted her. She had a great time all day laughing and talking about old times. That night, she had an excellent supper in a fantastic restaurant. She even met the devil, who turned out to be a pretty nice guy. Before she knew it, her day in hell was over and she returned to heaven.

The day in heaven was okay. She lounged around on clouds, sang and played the harp. At the end of the day, St. Peter came and asked for her decision.

“Well, heaven was great and all,” the nurse said, “but I had a better time in hell. I know it sounds strange, but I choose hell.”

With that, she got in the elevator and went back down.

When the doors opened, she saw a desolate wasteland covered in garbage and filth. Her friends, dressed in rags, were picking up garbage and putting it in sacks. When the devil walked over, she said to him, “I don’t understand. Yesterday, this place was beautiful. We had a delicious meal and a wonderful time laughing and talking.”

The devil smiled and said, “Yesterday we were recruiting you. Today you’re staff.”



12 ~ THREE WISHES

A nursing assistant, a floor nurse and a charge nurse from a small nursing home were taking a lunch break in the break room. In walked a lady dressed in silk scarves and wearing large polished-stone jewelry.

“I am Gina the Great,” stated the lady. “I am so pleased with the way you have taken care of my aunt that I will now grant the next three wishes!” With a wave of her hand and a puff of smoke, the room was filled with flowers, fruit and bottles of drink, proving that she did have the power to grant wishes before any of the nurses could think otherwise.

The nurses quickly argued among themselves as to which one would ask for the first wish.

Speaking up, the nursing assistant wished first. “I wish I were on a tropical island beach with single, well-built men feeding me fruit and tending to my every need.”

With a puff of smoke, the nursing assistant was gone.

The floor nurse went next. “I wish I were rich and retired, and spending my days in my own warm cabin at a ski resort with well-groomed men feeding me cocoa and doughnuts.”

With a puff of smoke, she too was gone.

“Now, what is the last wish?” asked the lady.

The charge nurse said, “I want those two back on the floor at the end of the lunch break.”

13 ~ THE RANKS OF THE HOSPITAL

Surgeon:

Leaps tall buildings in a single bound
Is more productive than a train
Is faster than a speeding bullet
Walks on water
Talks with God

Internist:

Leaps short buildings in a single bound
Is more powerful than a switch engine
Is faster than a speeding BB
Walks on water if the sea is calm
Talks with God if special request is approved

General Practitioner:

Leaps short buildings with a running start and favorable winds
Is almost as powerful as a switch engine
Can fire a speeding bullet
Walks on water in an indoor swimming pool
Is occasionally addressed by God

Resident:

Barely clears a picket fence
Loses tug-of-war with a train
Can sometimes handle a gun without inflicting self-injury
Swims well
Talks with animals

Intern:

Makes high skid marks on a wall when trying to leap buildings
Is run over by a train
Is not issued ammunition

Dog-paddles

Talks to walls

Medical Student:

Runs into buildings

Recognizes a train two out of three times

Wets himself with a water pistol

Cannot stay afloat without a life preserver

Mumbles to himself

Nurse:

Lifts buildings and walks under them

Kicks trains off the track

Catches speeding bullets with her teeth and eats them

Freezes water with a single glance

The Nurse IS a god!!!

14 ~ GET WELL

A police officer was rushed to the hospital with an inflamed appendix. The doctors operated and advised him that all was well. However, the officer kept feeling something pulling at the hairs on his chest. Worried that it might be a second surgery the doctors hadn't told him about, he finally got enough energy to pull his hospital gown down far enough so he could look at what was making him so uncomfortable.

Taped firmly across his hairy chest were three wide strips of adhesive tape, the kind that doesn't come off easily.

Written in large black letters was the sentence: "Get well quick.... from the nurse you gave a ticket to last week."

15 ~ ER

I am five feet, three inches tall and pleasingly plump. After I had a minor accident, I went to the emergency room. The ER nurse asked for my height and weight, and I blurted out, "Five-foot-eight, 125 pounds."

The nurse pondered this information, then leaned over to me. "Sweetheart," she gently chided, "this is not the Internet."

16 ~ PATIENT WILL LIVE

On a busy med-surg floor, the doctor stops the nurse to brief her on a patient's condition. "This patient is a fellow physician and my favorite golf partner. His injury is serious and I fear he will not be able to play golf again unless you follow my orders exactly." The doctor then began listing orders:

"You must give an injection in a different location every 20 minutes followed by a second injection exactly five minutes after the first. He must take two pills at exactly every hour followed by one pill every 15 minutes for eight hours. He must drink no more and no less than 10 ounces of water every 25 minutes and must void between. Soak his arm in warm water for 15 minutes, then place ice for 10 minutes and repeat over and over for the rest of the day. Give range of motion every 30 minutes. He requires a back rub and foot rub every hour. Feed him something tasty every hour. Be cheerful and do whatever he asks at all times. Chart his condition and vital signs every 20 minutes. You must do these things exactly as I ordered or his injury will not heal properly, and he will not be able to play golf well."

The nurse left the doctor and entered the patient's room. She was greeted by anxious family and an equally anxious patient. All asked the nurse what the doctor had said about the patient. The nurse stated, "The doctor said that you will live." Then quickly reviewing the orders, she added, "But you will have to learn a new sport."

17 ~ PEARLY GATES

Two nurses died and went to Heaven where they were met at the pearly gates by St. Peter. To the first, he asked, “So, what did you used to do? Why do you think you should be allowed to come into Heaven?”

“I was a nurse at a missionary hospital in the Amazon basin,” she replied. “For many years, I worked with a skeleton crew of doctors and nurses who tried to reach out to as many people across numerous tribes, with a hand of healing and peace, and with the message about God`s love.”

“Very noble,” said St. Peter. “You may enter.”

To the next he asked the same question, “So, what did you used to do?”

After some hesitation, she explained, “I was just a nurse at an HMO.”

St. Peter pondered, and then said, “Ok, you may enter, too.”

“For a moment I thought you weren’t going to let me in,” said the nurse.

“You can come in,” said St. Peter, “but you can only stay for three days.”

18 ~ NUN VS. NURSE

*What is the difference between a Nun
and an Operating Room Nurse?*

A Nun only serves one God.



19 ~ SURGEON VS. PUPPY

*What is the difference between
a surgeon and a puppy?*

The puppy stops whining when he grows up.

20 ~ IDENTIFICATION: NURSE

*A Forensic Pathologist fishes a body out of a river
and knows right away it's a nurse.*

Why?

*The stomach was empty, the bladder full
and the a** completely chewed off!"*

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Because school nurses have more regular work schedules than general nurses, pursuing this career path could be a preferred alternative to being in the hospital for extended shifts on nights and weekends. They make \$46,482 per year or \$22.60 hourly (PayScale.com, 2019). 12. Camp Nurse. Camp nurses work with children or teens that attend seasonal camps. Job tasks might be similar to those of a general nurse, but the setting is much less clinical.