Deadly Look-A-Likes are any poisonous products that may cause illness and/or death when mistaken for food or drink.

**THE BEDROOM**

▶ What deadly-look-a-likes may be found in the bedroom?
- ointments ● medications ● perfumes ● nail polish and remover ● mothballs

▶ What is deadly-look-a-like poisoning in the bedroom?
- Poisoning may happen when medicine, health products, cosmetics or mothballs are mistaken for food or beverages

▶ What happens when bedroom deadly-look-a-likes poison someone?
- weakness ● vomiting ● alcohol intoxication ● mouth injuries ● liver damage ● coma ● death

▶ Where are deadly-look-a-likes found in your bedroom?
- Bedside tables and dressers
- Closets and drawers

▶ What should you do if deadly-look-a-likes are in your bedroom?
- Keep all products in cabinets out of the reach of young children
- Replace toxic mothballs with non-toxic ones in clothes closets or drawers

▶ Did you know?
- 90% of poisonings happen in the home and over 75% of the poisonings are accidental and happen mostly to children between six months and five years of age

**THE KITCHEN**

▶ What deadly-look-a-likes may be found in the kitchen?
- insecticides ● rodenticides ● dish detergents ● drain cleaners ● food flavoring (extract)

▶ What is deadly-look-a-like poisoning from the kitchen?
- Poisoning may happen when kitchen products containing harmful chemicals are mistaken for food or beverages

▶ What happens when deadly-look-a-likes found in kitchen poison someone?
- vomiting ● stomach cramps ● throat irritations ● kidney damage ● alcohol poisoning ● death

▶ Where are kitchen deadly-look-a-likes found in your home?
- under sinks ● unlocked cupboards ● floors ● counters ● beverage bottles containing cleaning products

▶ What should you do if deadly-look-a-likes are in your kitchen
- Keep all pesticides or cleaning products in their original containers
- Keep children out of cupboards by installing safety locks on doors

▶ Did you know?
- Most children over two years of age can climb and reach places that you think are safe
- Poisonous products and foods should never be stored on the same shelf
- You should never bring cleaning products home from work, because they were not intended for use around children in your home

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THE BATHROOM
► What deadly-look-a-likes may be found in the bathroom?
● medicine ● vitamins ● rubbing alcohol ● ointments ● cleaning products ● mouthwashes
► What is a deadly-look-a-like poisoning in the bathroom?
● Poisoning may happen when someone eats or drinks medicines, cosmetics, and vitamins, all-purpose
  cleaning products or drain cleaner found in the bathroom
► What happens when bathroom deadly-look-a-likes poison someone?
● drowsiness ● upset stomach ● diarrhea ● liver damage ● throat burning ● death
► Where are deadly-look-a-likes found in your bathroom?
● medicine cabinets ● counter tops ● under sink cabinets
► What should you do if deadly-look-a-likes are in your bathroom?
● Keep all medicines in child-resistant containers
● Never leave small children alone in the bathroom
● Do not call medications candy
► Did you know?
● Most poisonings happen around mealtime when a child is hungry and you are distracted
● Listed among the most dangerous poisons are medicines and iron pills
● Child-resistant containers are not child proof, which means they may not stop a child
  from opening the container

THE GARAGE and GARDEN AREA
► What are some deadly-look-a-likes found in the garage and garden area?
● gasoline ● antifreeze ● charcoal lighter fluid ● some plants ● lawn mushrooms ● pesticides
► What is poisoning from deadly-look-a-likes found in the garage and garden area?
● Poisoning may happen when automobile or grilling products, pesticides or plants are swallowed
► What happens when a deadly-look-a-like found in the garage and garden poisons someone?
● mouth irritation ● nausea ● vomiting ● watery or bloody diarrhea ● tremors ● convulsions ● cancer
► Where may deadly-look-a-likes found in your garage and garden area?
● automobile and lawnmower fuels ● shrubbery with berries ● flowering plants
● lawn mushrooms ● liquid and powder insecticides and herbicides
► What should you do if deadly-look-a-likes are in your garage and garden?
● Keep automobile and grilling products out of children’s reach and in locked storage areas
● Know which plants in and around your home can be poisonous, and keep them away from children
● Never transfer garden products to soft drink bottles or other containers. Children may mistake
  them for food or drink.
► Did you know?
● There are no tests to help you tell a poisonous mushroom from a nonpoisonous mushroom
● Areas in and around your home can be a dangerous place when it comes to accidental
  poisoning of children