

Why is Chris in the Hospital?

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Why is Chris in the hospital?

- Because Chris has a bad leg infection.

But why does Chris have an infection?

- Because Chris had a cut and it got infected.

But why did Chris's cut get infected?

- Because Chris has high blood sugar.

But why does Chris have high blood sugar?

- Because Chris has type II diabetes.

But why does Chris have diabetes?

- Because Chris is overweight.

But why is Chris overweight?

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But why...?

INSTRUCTIONS:

- In small groups, draw a diagram that maps out the multiple causes of Chris's infection. Start with "Chris in the hospital" and then begin to ask a series of "why" questions to generate the next levels of causality. Begin with the answers provided in the poem.
- Once you get to the end of the poem, continue to ask more "why" questions, start with "Why is Chris overweight?" and go on.
- There is no right answer to any "why" question, and there might be many answers to a "why" question. Write all of them down and then continue down one "branch" until the "whys" are exhausted. Then, if time permits, go back to another branch.
- Ask as many "why" questions as you can, until you can't go any further.