

HealthCare Interactive®

## Home Health (2-Hour)™ Online Dementia Care Training Program

## Module 1 Worksheet: INTRODUCTION TO DEMENTIA

- 1. You just met Mrs. Clara Jones. Think about Mr. Sanchez, a person with dementia who was just assigned to you. List three ways to learn about his family, likes and dislikes, hobbies and interests, food preferences, and previous career:
  - a)
  - b)
  - c)
- 2. Alzheimer's disease causes real, physical changes to the brain. The brain of someone with Alzheimer's disease is likely to look \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ compared to a normal, healthy brain.
- 3. List at least three facts about dementia:
  - a)
  - b)
  - c)
- 4. Explain "fluctuating, gradual decline" in your own words.

5. List and describe the seven basic thinking abilities that can be impaired by Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

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c)	 	
d)	 	
e)	 	
f)	 	
g)	 	

6. Give an example of observable changes for each of the following thinking skills:

	"Normal Aging"	Person with Dementia
a) Communication		
b) Memory Loss		
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c) Task Completion		
d) Time Recall		
e) Problem Solving		

- 7. Give some examples in each stage below of how you would provide person-centered assistance with **getting dressed** for someone who has Alzheimer's disease or related dementias.
  - The First Signs:
  - Increasing Problems:
  - Significant Confusion:
  - Minimal Self-Care Abilities:
  - Requires Complete Assistance: