



Science

Smallpox Vaccine



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Smallpox is a disease. A long time ago, people used to get smallpox. What do you know about diseases?

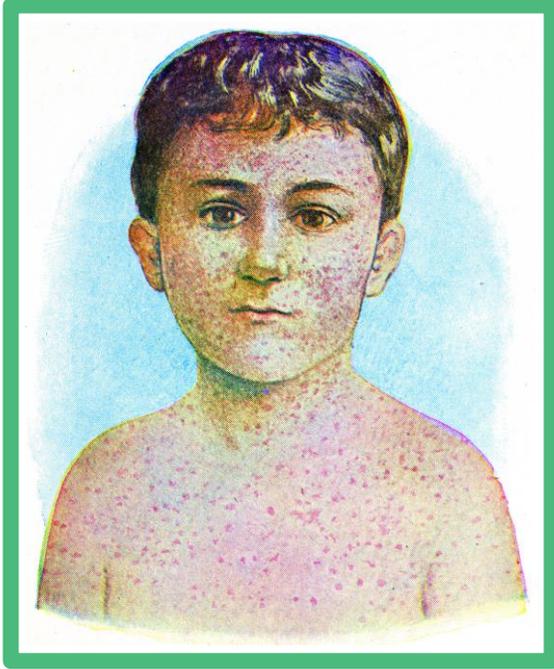
One symptom of smallpox was a fever. A **fever** is when the body gets very warm. Have you ever had a fever?



Another symptom was **sores** in the mouth and throat. Sores usually hurt. Have you ever had a sore?



After a while, the sores had **scabs** on them. Have you ever had a scab?

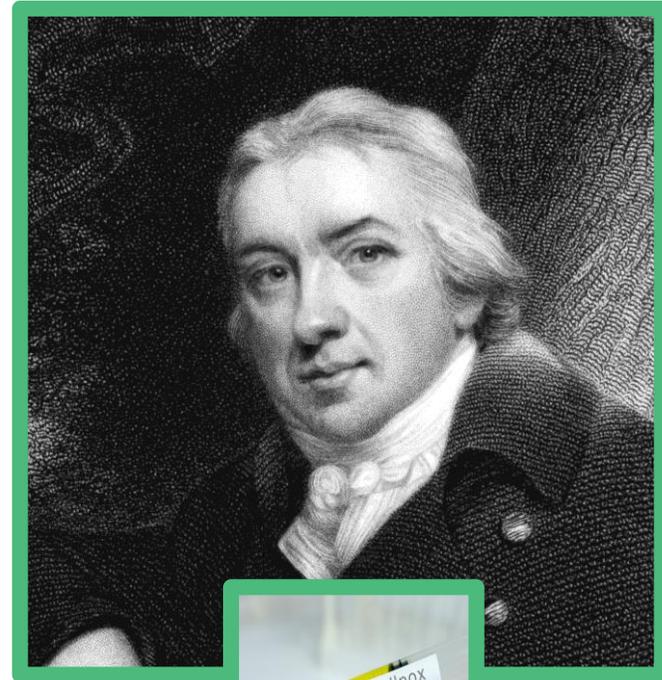


Smallpox also caused a **rash**. A rash is red or bumpy skin. Have you ever had a rash?

Smallpox was **contagious**. If someone was sick, other people could get sick too. Have you ever caught a cold from someone?



Smallpox was **fatal** for many people. Fatal is when a person dies because of it. Do you know anyone who was very sick?



About 200 years ago, **Edward Jenner** invented a vaccine for smallpox. His vaccine kept people from getting smallpox.



People get a **vaccine** so that they do not get sick. Now people do not get those diseases. Have you ever had to get a shot?



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