

# Prescription

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**This task is about reading a poem and answering some questions about it.**

Read *Prescription (Choices, Can't a Person Have a Friend?, 1996)* and answer the questions.

a) Apart from the pot pourri of frangipani, sandalwood, moso'oi, and gardenia what five other things does the writer want put in the parcel?

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iii) \_\_\_\_\_

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v) \_\_\_\_\_

b) Why does the speaker in the poem most probably want these things sent?

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c) Why might the speaker in this poem want "a pocket of air" from the kitchen?

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d) Why is "Prescription" a better choice for the title than "Parcel"?

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