Valley Fever is an illness caused by a fungus (a type of germ) that lives in the soil and dirt. If the fungus is breathed in, it can infect the lungs and cause flu-like symptoms or severe illness.

**Symptoms:**
What are the signs?
✓ Fever
✓ Feeling tired
✓ Cough
✓ Night sweats
✓ Rash

**Prevention:**
How do I avoid getting sick?
• Avoid breathing the air in dusty areas
• Wet the soil or dirt before playing in it
• Stay inside during dust storms
• Roll up car windows if you’re in a dusty area

3 things I can share with my parents about Valley Fever:
1. 
2. 
3. 

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**Word Bank:**

- Fever
- Soil
- Cough
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