

# Pneumonia

NEW-monia. I don't know why it's called that, 'cause it's been around for a long, long time.

That's right. Pneumonia used to be very dangerous, but now, with proper medical attention, most kids will be just fine.

Good to know, right?!

Do you know what else is good to know?

That pneumonia is a lower respiratory infection compared to a cold which is an upper respiratory infection. Pneumonia is caused by germs, like viruses or bacteria, that make your lungs sick when you're already sick with something else.