**Suggested Answers to Discussion Topics, Chapter 9, Caring for People with Dementia**

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| Suggested Answers for Topics for Discussion | Learning Objective(s) |
| 1a. Students’ responses should include the following:  * She is having hallucinations. * She is suffering from delirium.  1b. Students’ responses should include the following:  * Her temperature may be elevated due to the pneumonia. * Her oxygen level may not be adequate due to her pneumonia. * She may be having side effects from her antibiotic medication.   She might be dehydrated. | 1 |

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| 2a. Students’ responses should include the following:  * Remember that all behavior has meaning. * Observe all the details of the behavior. * Is this behavior associated with only certain people? * When does this behavior occur? * Where does the behavior occur?  2b. Students’ responses should include the following:  * Marvin may be checking to see if the chair legs need to be reglued. * You could try distracting him by asking him about his work as a cabinetmaker and repair shop owner. * You might provide an area with a table and chairs away from other residents, and bring him to this area when the behavior occurs.  2c. Students’ response should include the following: An understanding of the middle stage of dementia, such as: during the middle stage of dementia, the person may behave differently and in challenging ways, the person with dementia may perform repetitive behaviors. | 2, 5, 6 |