

Name \_\_\_\_\_



# Pragmatics

Pragmatics means how you use language in social situations. One aspect of pragmatics is the ability to adapt language to fit the listener or the situation. Practice adapting language to fit the listener or situation by writing an appropriate response to the following question to go with each listener/situation:

*How are you doing today?*

Listener/Situation	Your Response
the school nurse	
your mother	
your best friend	
a stranger who holds open a door for you	
your doctor after you have recently recovered from an illness	
your teacher when you've just done poorly on a test	