

# The Brady Bunch has measles...in 1969

It doesn't look deadly



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Following on from my previous post about [‘Deadly measles’...](#), in which I recounted my own benign experience with the measles when I was 18 months old, in 1961.

Let’s review a famous episode of the US family sitcom The Brady Bunch featuring ‘the measles’, see this clip:

The Brady Bunch Clip: Deals With The Measles (Episode Pulled From Networks)



## Transcript:

Carol Brady: *Peter, what are you doing home from school?*

Peter Brady: *They sent me home...measles!*

Alice Nelson (housekeeper): *That’s either measles or a strange case of freckles.*

Carol Brady: *You have got a temperature.*

Peter Brady: *They told me, 101.1. What's the record?*

Carol Brady: *Never mind.*

Mike Brady: *Are you sure it's the measles?*

Carol Brady: *Well he's certainly got all the symptoms. A slight temperature, a lot of dots, and a great big smile.*

Mike Brady: *A great big smile?*

Carol Brady: *No school for a few days.*

Mike Brady: *Say hello to my dotted son for me. Tell him I'll bring him some comic books, and I'll see you later.*

Carol Brady: *Ok honey, bye.*

Greg Brady: *Boy, this is the life isn't it?*

Marcia Brady: *Yeah. If you have to get sick, sure can't beat the measles.*



Peter Brady: *That's right.*

Jan Brady: *No medicine...*

Greg Brady: *Inside or out, like shots I mean.*

Jan Brady: *Don't even mention shots, yuck!*

Carol Brady: *Measles, measles, measles. Well, all the kids have now had the measles.*

Mike Brady: *So have I.*

Carol Brady: *Well, I had them years ago. Looks like the Bradys are finished with the measles.*

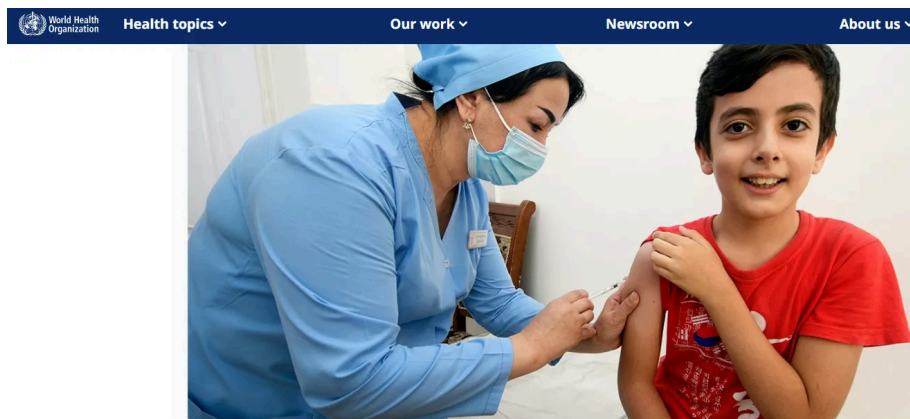
Alice Nelson: *Hold it. You're not through yet.*

Carol Brady: *Alice, don't tell me you're coming down with the measles?*

Alice Nelson: *Oh, I hope so. I'd hate to think I was just learning how to blush at my age.*

What do you think about this contemporary portrayal of the measles, from the Brady Bunch in 1969?

How does this tally with the much grimmer story we hear today from, say, the World Health Organization:



**Rapid measles outbreak response critical to protect millions of vulnerable children**

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Vernon Coleman put it something like this, "Measles was a childhood inconvenience until they invented the vaccine. Then it became deadly."

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Nancy Nancy 22 Jun 2024

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The world wants us to be scared of being " sick " in general . People are scared to death of shingles . It doesn't kill them . It can hurt but not always and if found early , can be treated with anti viral . Measles and chicken pox won't kill you. People are scared to death of them . It's ridiculous. Now people are scared of flu , Covid and cold . " So what !" if I get sick , is what I think . It's uncomfortable, not pleasant but it won't kill me. I'm healthy . I exercise. Get healthy people ! But bc people are lazy and ignorant of their health , they will remain scared and keep getting shots to prevent a certain infection BUT I'm **100** convinced that you trade it with long term problems down the road lije autoimmune diseases. I'm if the belief, all vaccines cause long term damage , and if people knew that , they might they twice before getting poison versus the illness that most likely will not kill them

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