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Case Scenario:

Mrs. Ahmed is a 35-year-old single mother, just getting off the night shift. She reports to the Emergency Department in the early morning with shortness of breath. She has cyanosis of the lips. She has had a productive cough for 2 weeks. Her temperature is 102.2^0F, blood pressure 110/76, heart rate 108 beats/min, respirations 32/min, which is rapid and shallow. Lung sounds are diminished at left bases, with coarse rhonchi in the left upper lobe. Chest X-ray indicates left basal pneumonia. Her TLC count is $13900/mm^3$ (5000-11000). Her Hb is within normal limits and CBC shows a reactive neutrophil leukocytosis with left shift. She was diagnosed for having pneumonia and was put on empiric antibiotic therapy.

