

The Price Elasticity of Demand compares

Q^d of prescription drugs decrease if the price increases

Q^d of strawberries decrease if the price increases

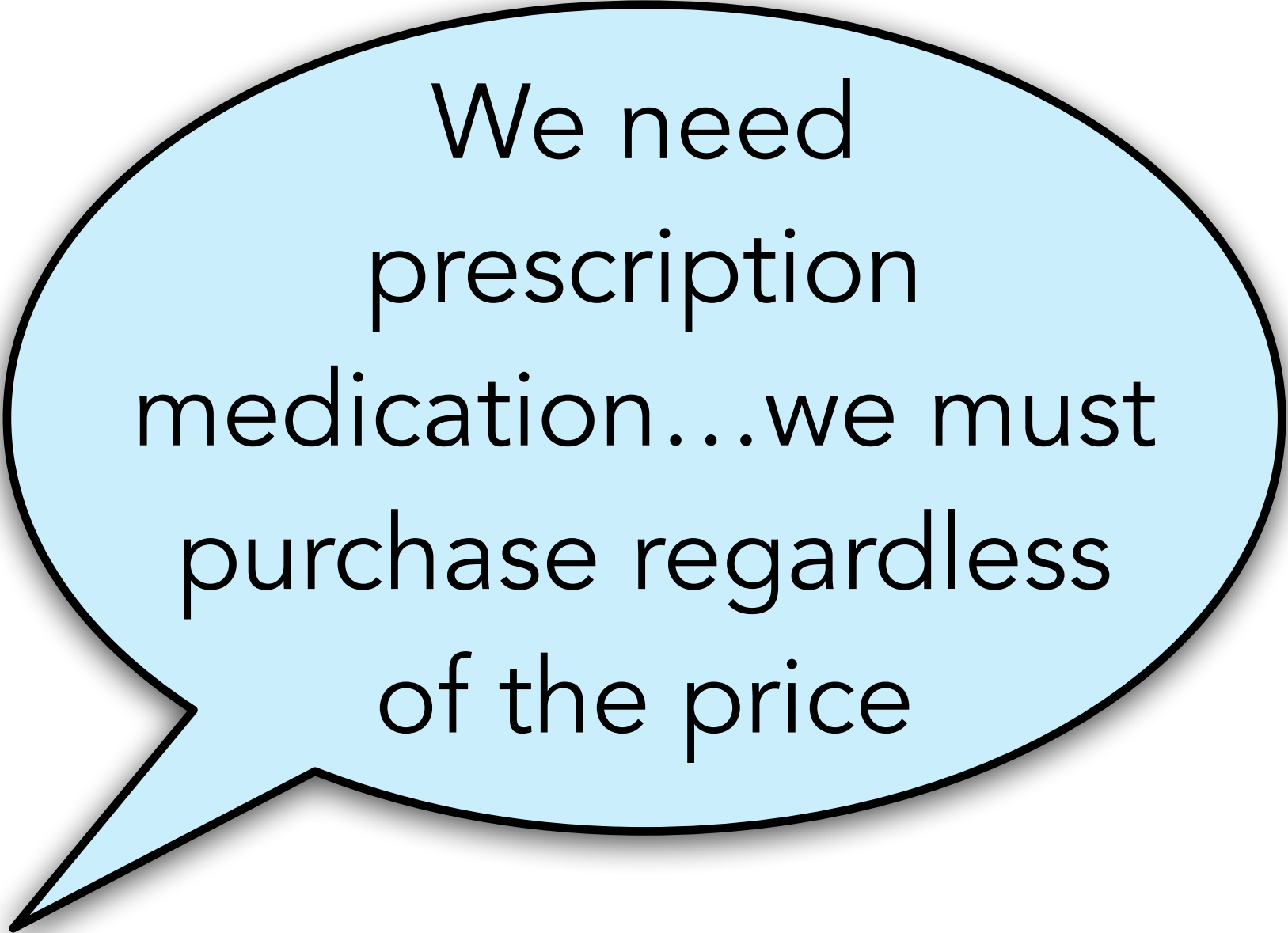
Size of the change in Q^d

Size of the change in Price


Small drop in Q_d

Large drop in Q_d

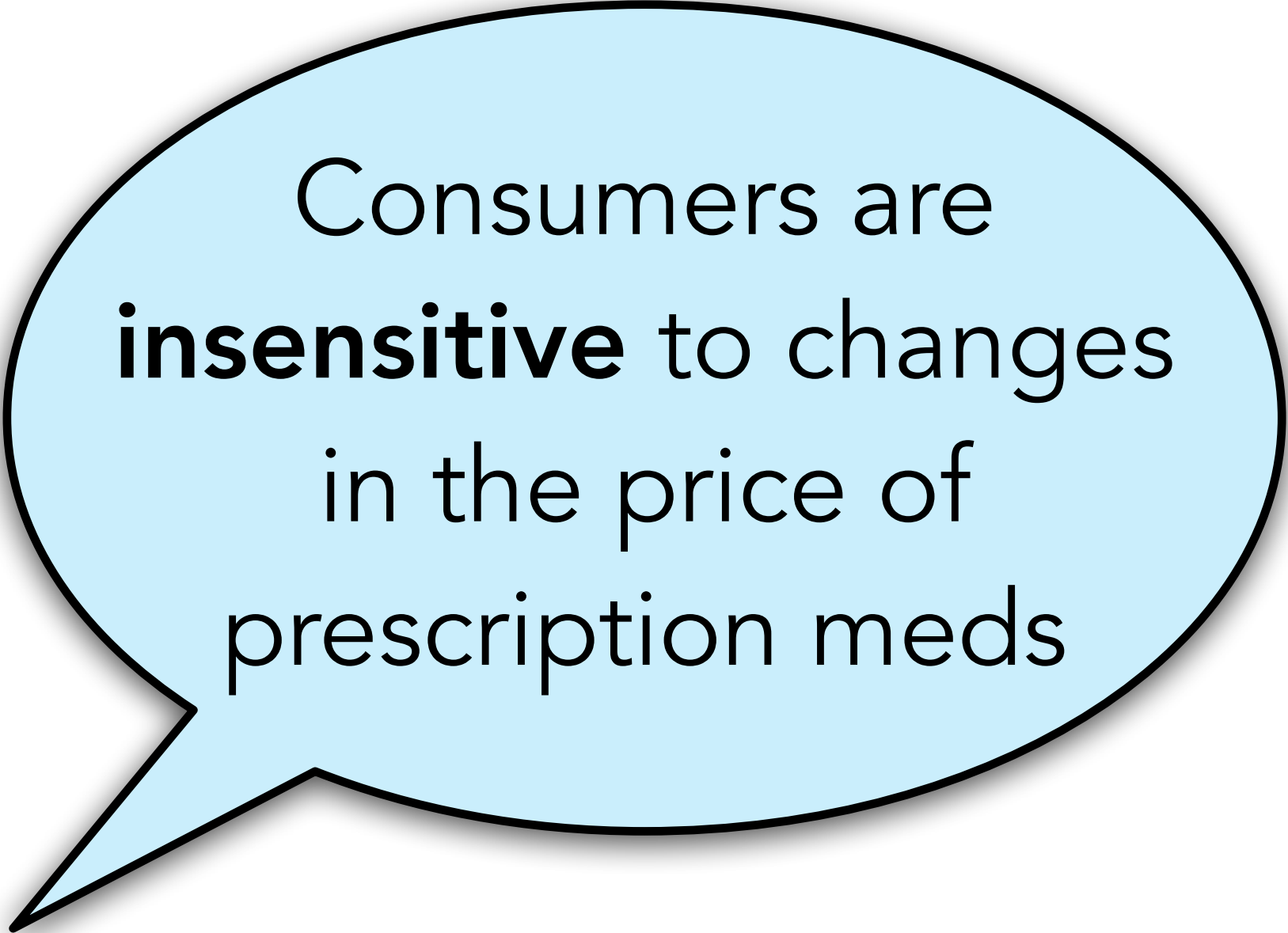
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We need
prescription
medication...we must
purchase regardless
of the price



We don't need
strawberries...we can
buy a different fruit



Consumers are
insensitive to changes
in the price of
prescription meds

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Consumers are
sensitive to changes
in the price of
strawberries

Demand is Elastic ←

Demand is Inelastic



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With **Size** of the change in **Price**

Q^d of prescription drugs **decrease** if the price increases

Demand is Inelastic ← **Small drop in Q^d**

Q^d of strawberries **decrease** if the price increases

Demand is Elastic ← **Large drop in Q^d**

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Formula to calculate the elasticity