



Knowledge Organiser

General Studies Year 9 Term 4

Assessing the risk of drug use and peer pressure.

Lesson Content

Lesson One	Managing peer pressure: To know what peer pressure is. To understand that peer pressure can be positive and negative. To consider different ways to deal with negative peer pressure.
Lesson Two	Assessing the risk of alcohol abuse: To know the key risks of drinking alcohol for young people. The personal consequences, for yourself and others, of using alcohol irresponsibly . The impact of alcohol on teenager and how it can seriously affect their lives.
Lesson Three	Assessing the risk of Recreational drug abuse (Cannabis): To know some of the effects of using cannabis. The impact of cannabis on teenager and how it can seriously affect their lives. The argument for the legalisation of cannabis.
Lesson Four	Assessing the risk of Psychoactive Drug: To know some of the effects of using psychotropic drug. The impact of psychotropic drug on teenager and how it can seriously affect their lives. The effects of on the brain by using psychotropic drug.
Lesson Five	Assessing the risk of Heroin and cocaine: To know some of the effects of using heroin and cocaine. The impact of heroin and cocaine on teenager and how it can seriously affect their lives. The physical effects of heroin and cocaine on a person.
Lesson Six	Dedicated Improvement and Reflection Time (DIRT Lesson)

Key Questions: What is the law relating to the supply, use and misuse of legal and illegal substances .

What are the risks and consequences of ‘experimental’ and ‘occasional’ substance use and the terms ‘dependence’ and ‘addiction’

What is meant by the terms ‘habit’, ‘dependence’ and ‘addiction’ in relation to substance use and where and how to access support if you have concerns.

Key Words and Vocabulary

Lesson One	<p>Peer pressure: Influence from members of one's peer group.</p> <p>Impact: The action of one object coming forcibly into contact with another.</p> <p>Negative: A person, attitude, or situation, not desirable or optimistic.</p> <p>Positive: Constructive, optimistic, or confident.</p>
Lesson Two	<p>Alcohol: A colourless volatile flammable liquid which is produced by the natural fermentation of sugars and is the intoxicating constituent of wine, beer, spirits, and other drinks, and is also used as an industrial solvent and as fuel.</p> <p>Addiction: The fact or condition of being addicted to a particular substance or activity.</p>

Reflection Task: What are the positive (for example the treatment or eradication of disease) and negative (for example dependency) roles played by drugs in society (including alcohol)?

Key Words and Vocabulary

Lesson Three	<p>Cannabis: A dried preparation of the flowering tops or other parts of the cannabis plant, or a resinous extract of it (cannabis resin), smoked or consumed, generally illegally, as a psychoactive (mind-altering) drug</p> <p>Legalised: Make something that was previously illegal permissible by law.</p>
Lesson Four	<p>MDMA: The drug Ecstasy</p> <p>Spice: A type of synthetic cannabis.</p> <p>LSD: A synthetic crystalline compound, lysergic acid diethylamide, which is a powerful hallucinogenic drug.</p>
Lesson Five	<p>Heroin: A highly addictive analgesic drug derived from morphine, often used illicitly as a narcotic producing euphoria.</p> <p>Cocaine: An addictive drug derived from coca or prepared synthetically, used as an illegal stimulant and sometimes medicinally as a local anaesthetic.</p>
Lesson Six	<p>DIRT Lesson.</p>