Health eSpotlight Activity

Teen Health Course 2 Chapter 10 Drugs

VIDEO SUMMARY

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Discussion Questions

- 1. According to the video, what are the physical effects of club drugs? *Euphoria, psychosis, memory loss, and sometimes death.*
- **2.** Why are some club drugs known as "date-rape drugs?" Date-rape drugs cause sedation and memory loss, causing the victim to have no memory of a sexual assault.
- **3.** What strategies would you use to say no if someone offered you drugs? *Answers will vary.*

Activity

OBJECTIVE

Students will use visual media to demonstrate their understanding of strategies for living drug-free.

Skill Summary: Practicing Healthful Behaviors; Refusal Skills; Advocacy

MATERIALS

- Poster board
- Drawing supplies

PROCEDURES

- 1. Have students create posters highlighting strategies teens can use to avoid drugs.
- 2. Ask students to illustrate their posters and present them to the class.
- 3. Students may choose to use a different medium to present their ideas, such as a brochure or a skit.

EXTENSION

Have students form small groups and research a club drug to learn about its effects. Students may share their findings with other classes or grades with a presentation or by making posters to hang in the school.

WEB LINKS AND ADDITIONAL GLENCOE RESOURCES

- Learn about the warning signs of teen drug abuse at the Focus Adolescent Services Web site.
- Go to the **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services** Web site for a tip sheet for teens that answers some common questions about club drugs.



Go to **Fitness Zone Online** for additional **fitness activities**, **videos**, and **podcasts**.

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