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## **ABOUT TEXT PLEDGE**



Text Pledge is a nonprofit in Greater Grand Rapids, MI, that seeks to change the world one pledge at a time. Our pledges focus on ending some of the worst social issues affecting our communities, from distracted driving to acts of violence. Each pledge challenges members to practice compassion, and speak up when they witness injustice. We encourage you to help others in times of crisis. Together, we can make the world a kinder place.

Our pledge program includes the following elements available on our website www.textpledge.us and the Text Pledge App available on iOS/Google Play.

### **NATIONAL SMART CARD**

**EMERGENCY HOTLINES AND RESOURCES** 





### NATIONAL STATISTICS

#### **UPDATED MONTHLY**

TO REFLECT THE IMPACT OF EACH PLEDGE TOPIC IN OUR WORLD





### **EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

#### **ACTIVITY BOOKS**

FOR AGES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE TWELVE. AVAILABLE ON THE TEXT PLEDGE WEBSITE AND THE MOBILE APP.



















### A Message From Our Founder

Experimentation with drugs and alcohol is one of the most dangerous things that we can do to our bodies. This includes taking medicines not prescribed to us or using prescribed medicines in unsafe ways. Additionally, we can cause harm to our bodies when using over the counter products not meant for our age group.

Everyone's bodies are unique and respond differently to these chemicals. Keep track of your prescription medication and speak to a doctor or medical professional before consuming new prescriptions. Take control of your body and encourage others to do the same.

In this activity book, you will explore your own ideas related to drugs and alcohol and how they can impact your health and your behaviors.

### Crisis lines are always available at TextPledge.us

Happy Learning!



**Ms. Naomi**Founder at the Text Pledge Project





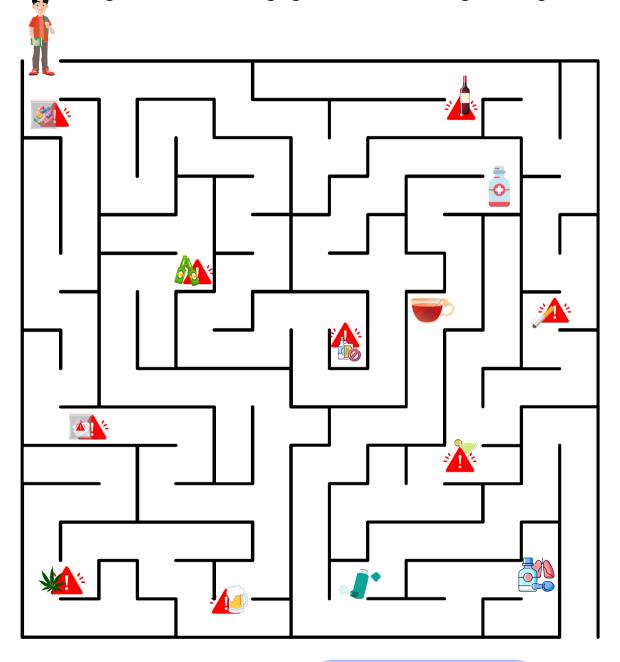
# Investigator for one day...

An investigator is in charge of gathering reliable information to answer questions by following certain steps. Answer the questions by searching for truthful information.

1. Provide your own definition of the word "drug" and write it below. What do you think of when you hear this word?					
2. Use a dictionary to research "drug". Write the definition be					
3. Which of the following are considered drugs? Select all that apply.	4. What impact can drugs have on your body? Select your answer.				
☐ Coffee	A) Improved physical fitness.				
Medications prescribed by a doctor	B) Enhanced memory and concentration				
Illicit substances like marijuana and cocaine	C) Increased risk of addiction, impaired judgment, and health problems				
Nicotine-containing products (e.g., cigarettes)	D) Better sleep quality				
	E). All of the above				

# Good vs Bad Drugs

There are different types of drugs that are used for different purposes. Find your way through the maze by avoiding harmful drugs. Note other drugs you encounter along the way.



Was it easy for you to differentiate between good and bad drugs?

## WHAT CONSEQUENCE?

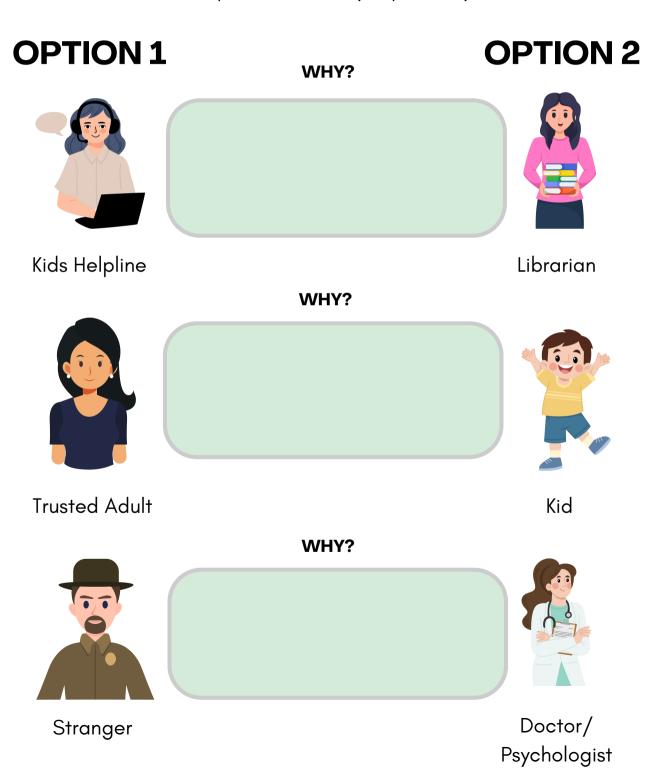
There are several consequences to abusing drugs and alcohol. Identify the consequences and find them in the wordsearch below.

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Addiction	Home problems
Injury	Birth defects
Suspension	Overdose
Stress	Illness
Detention	Expulsion

# Who can help you?

Imagine you have a friend that wants to use alcohol and drugs OR is worried about someone he knows who wants to use them. Select with a 
which person you would recommend to help him/her between the two options and briefly explain why.



## **Decode the Number**

Did you know that there is a line you can call if you have problems related to drugs or alcohol?

There, you can find specialized help where they will guide you and, in case you need extra support, they will refer you to new lines such as police or firefighters.

Complete the following mathematical processes and find out the number of the hotline.



Do not hesitate to contact this line in case you need help. You have someone who cares about you!

# Superhero Choices

Just like superheroes, you have the ability to transform your world and the world of others. Circle the choices you believe are best for you and will help you avoid drugs and alcohol.





**Exploring Hobbies** 



Fighting with your friends



Meditate



Isolate yourself



Eating healthy



Ignoring your mental health



Getting Enough Sleep



Skipping Responsibilities



Building Friendships

## **Aim for Behaviors**

Now that you know a little more about the dangers of drugs and alcohol, here is a list of some activities healthy behaviors to combat them. Check the behaviors you currently practice and challenge yourself to participate in behaviors left unchecked.



# **Side Effects**

All bodies react differently to the consumption of drugs and/or alcohol. The effects of drugs and alcohol on the body can be temporary, but continued use can cause permanent consequences.

Consider the list of side effects below and determine if each consequence is temporary or permanent. Write "T" for temporary or "P" for permanent on each line.

 Nausea and vomiting
 Dizziness
 Addiction or dependence
 Headaches
 Fatigue or drowsiness
 Increased heart rate
 Dilated pupils
 Brain damage
 Slurred speech
 Impaired judgment and decision-making
 Mood swings
 Organ damage (liver, kidneys, heart)
 Loss of coordination
 Cardiovascular problems
 Anxiety or paranoia
 Respiratory issues
 Hallucinations or delusions



### Commit to all <u>ten</u> pledges

- STOP DISTRACTED DRIVING
- STOP DOMESTIC
  VIOLENCE AND ASSAULT
- END DISCRIMINATION
- END DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE

END ACTS
OF VIOLENCE

- STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING
- PREVENT BULLYING AND CYBER BULLYING
- PROTECT ANIMAL RIGHTS
- RAISE MENTAL HEALTH
  AWARENESS
- PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT

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