

# Narcotics

# Cannabis





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- Usually smoked with tobacco or by itself but sometimes dried and cooked with food.
- Naturally grown drug which contains a strong chemical known as THC.
- Most commonly used illegal drug in Britain but only 1 in 6 16-24 year olds said they had tried it in 2010.



# Cannabis



- Class B drug
- If caught in possession of cannabis you could be sentenced up to 5 years in prison or be given an unlimited fine, in some cases both.
- If caught dealing cannabis you can be sentenced up to 14 years in prison and be given an unlimited fine.



# Cannabis



## Long Term Effects

- Addiction
- Feelings of paranoia and anxiety- strongly linked to mental illness such as schizophrenia
- Effects the ability to concentrate
- Respiratory conditions
- Effects on sexual reproduction

## Short Term Effects

- Feeling sick after a few drags (called a 'whitey')
- Getting the giggles or 'munchies'
- Feeling of time slowing down and relaxation

**Bhang**

**Grass**

**Pot**

**Weed**

**Hashish**

**Ganja**

**Cannabis**

**Reefe**



**Boom**

**Herb**

# Cocaine



# Cocaine

- Most commonly snorted but can be smoked or injected. Drawing out the chemicals so that you can smoke it or inject it is called **Free-Basing**.
- Common 'night-life' drug that has become more popular than ecstasy.
- Stays in your system for up to 72 hours
- Is often mixed with local anaesthetic to create a numb feeling.



# Cocaine

- Class A drug.
- Illegal to possess, sell or give to people
- Possession can lead to 7 years in prison.
- Selling Cocaine can lead to life in prison and an unlimited fine.
- Being caught with Cocaine almost always leads to some form of police action.

# Cocaine

## Long Term Effects

- Addiction- Cocaine is a highly addictive drug
- Depression, irritability or paranoia
- Asthma
- Loss of septum when snorted
- Reduced sex-drive

## Short Term Effects

- Short lived 'buzz' with feelings of energy
- The come down from Cocaine is unpleasant
- Flu type symptoms
- Headache
- After effects get worse with continued use

**C**

White

**Charlie**

**Percy**

**Toot**

**Cocaine**

Snow

**Freebase**

# Mephedrone



# Mephedrone

- Is similar to Ecstasy and Cocaine.
- Commonly snorted but can be swallowed in 'bombs' and sometimes found in capsules.
- White, off-white or yellow powder.
- Derived from a chemical also found in plants that's creates a feeling of euphoria.
- Before it's classification in 2010 it could be bought in shops, advertised as plant food.

# Mephedrone

- Class B drug.
- Possession can lead to 5 years in prison and an unlimited fine.
- Supplying to other people can lead to 14 years in prison and an unlimited fine.
- Until 2010 it was sold as a 'legal high'.

# Mephedrone

## Long Term Effects

- These are new drugs and the long term effects are still unpredictable
- Overstimulation of the respiratory system, damaging the heart

## Short Term Effects

- Overstimulation of the nervous system leading to fits
- Anxiety and Paranoia
- Highly addictive

**Charge**

**M-Cat**

**Drone**

**Bounce**

**Mephedrone**

**Bubbles**

**White Magic**

**Meow Meow**



# Methamphetamine



# Methamphetamine

- Similar effects to Cocaine and is part of the amphetamine family
- Crystal form is highly dangerous and addictive
- Comes in several forms including; powder, tablets or crystals
- Can be snorted, injected, swallowed or smoked

# Methamphetamine

- Class A drug
- Possession leads to up to 7 years in prison and an unlimited fine
- Supply can lead to life in prison and an unlimited fine
- If caught with methamphetamine the police will always take some form of action

# Methamphetamine

## **Long Term Effects**

- Physical damage to the brain
- Severe Psychosis
- Overdose can lead to strokes, lung and kidney damage

## **Short Term Effects**

- You can get an 'itch' where you scratch your skin away
- Increased sex-drive and lowered inhibitions

**Crank**

**Tina and Christine**

**Meth**

**Methamphetamine**

**Ice**

**Yaba**

**Crystal Meth**

**Glass**



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