



16 - CUTTING THE GRASS - CANNABIS QUIZ

Outcome

- To have a improved understanding of cannabis and its history

Preparation: Photocopy quiz
 Ensure you have up to date leaflets and resources on cannabis to take away to support their learning - use FRANK or Herts NHS Health Promotion service (01462 478355)

Can be used with √ Staff

Total Time 30 minutes

METHOD	TIME	TOOLS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Either ask people to fill out the quiz individually or work in pairs. Encourage them not to dwell on each answer for too long (It is the discussion that will follow that is important, not who got what right or wrong). 	15 mins	Copies of the quiz sheet
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bring people back together as 1 group and go through each answer. Allow time to talk through each answer and allow for debate. 	15 mins	Answer sheet
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure leaflets and resources on cannabis and treatment agencies are available to take away. 		



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CANNABIS QUIZ

- Which of the following plants is illegal to grow?
 - Marijuana
 - Magic Mushroom
 - European Poppy
- What is the most popular drug in England?
 - Cannabis
 - Tobacco
 - Alcohol
- When will cannabis be a legal drug?
 - It has been since 1965
 - It is intended it will be by 2010
 - There are no plans for it to be legal
- Where is most of the cannabis that is smoked in the UK grown?
 - Britain
 - Netherlands
 - USA
- Which of these slang names is not a name for cannabis?
 - Bob Hope
 - Skunk
 - John Wayne
 - Wacky backy
- The effects of cannabis when smoked can usually last for a maximum of how long?
 - 14 hours
 - 48 hours
 - 4 hours
- Skunk is a cannabis plant that contains different levels of the main psychoactive substance that on average are?
 - Half the level of cannabis resin
 - Double the level of resin
 - 4 times the level of resin



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ANSWERS

CUTTING THE GRASS-Cannabis Quiz

1. A Cannabis (Marijuana)

B Magic Mushrooms

- Cannabis became illegal in 1928 in the UK under the Dangerous Drugs Act.
- Processed Magic Mushrooms became illegal to grow in 2005 under the Misuse of Drugs Act. Processed (cooked) Magic Mushrooms were already illegal.

2. C - Alcohol

In a survey conducted in England In 2007, 73% of men and 57% of women reported drinking an alcoholic drink on at least one day in the week prior to interview. 13% of men and 7% of women reported drinking on every day in the previous week.

(Source: Statistics on Alcohol: England 2009: The Information Centre, NHS)

- 21% of adults reported smoking cigarettes.

(Source: Office for National Statistics 2009 report)

- 8.7% of adults said they had used cannabis within the last month

(Source: British Crime Survey 2006, extracted from 2006 National report (2005 data to the EMCDDA))

3. C – There are no plans for it to be legal

- In the past decade the Advisory Committee on the Misuse of Drugs has been asked to consider reviewing the classification of Cannabis 3 times.
- Cannabis was reclassified as Class B drug on 26th January 2009.
- There is now an 'escalation' penalty system for possession of a small amount of Cannabis for adults. The maximum penalty for possession is up to five years in prison and/or an unlimited fine. For young people under-18 caught in possession the penalty is often a reprimand for the first offence, then a final warning and subsequently charge for further offences.
- Penalties for dealing: Up to 14 years in prison or an unlimited fine.
(Source: Home Office 2007)



4. **A - Britain**

- In 2010 over 70% of cannabis sold in UK was grown in the UK (Source: Drugscope)
- 10 years ago only 11% of cannabis was cultivated in Britain.

5. **C – John Wayne**

- There are many slang names for cannabis.
- Bhang, black, blast, blow, blunts, Bob Hope, bush, dope, draw, ganja, grass, hash, hashish, hemp, herb, marijuana, pot, puff, Northern Lights, resin, sensi, sinsemilla, shit, skunk, smoke, soap, spliff, wacky backy, weed, zero. Some names are based on where it comes from... Afghan, homegrown, Moroccan etc.

6. **C - 4 hours**

- Effects of smoking cannabis are felt within minutes
- Effects reach their peak in 10 -30 minutes
- Generally marijuana smokers experience a high that lasts approximately 2 hours but effects wear off after 4 hours. (Source: Drugs and human Performance Fact Sheets, national Highway Traffic Administration, 2004)

7. C – On average THC levels of Skunk in Britain is 12.7% which is nearly 4 times the average of resin THC levels (source: Paper on the potency of Cannabis EMCDDA 2004)