**The Effects of Drugs**

Alcohol

* Alcohol is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that decreases the function of the Central \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ System.
* Alcohol can impair coordination, memory, judgment, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Alcohol is both physically and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ addictive.

Risks and Effects

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| **Short-Term Effects** | **Long-Term Effects** |
| Reduced tension | Disrupts brain development |
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| Reduced coordination | Risk of heart disease |
| Slurred speech | Brain cells die |
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| Vomiting | Family problems |
| Possible death |  |

Marijuana

* Marijuana consists of dried and shredded leaves, seeds, stems and flowers from the plant \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Marijuana is mainly regarded as a “safe” drug. Why?
* Marijuana is a highly psychologically addictive drug.

Risks and Effects

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| **Short-Term Effects** | **Long-Term Effects** |
| Distorted perception | Damage to lungs |
| Loss of coordination |  |
| Trouble with thinking and problem solving | Depression |
|  | Anxiety |
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Methamphetamine

* Meth is a highly addictive \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that releases the brain chemical \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Meth is a very dangerous drug to make, as it contains many chemicals that are harmful to the body.
* Meth can be\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ into the bloodstream.

Risks and Effects

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| **Short-Term Effects** | **Long-Term Effects** |
| Increased wakefulness | Anxious and violent behavior |
| Decreased appetite |  |
|  | Scabs and open sores  |
| Increased blood pressure |  |
|  | Prolonged insomnia |
|  | Death (OD) |