

PROACTIVE PARENTS/GUARDIANS GUIDE



DEAR PROUD PARENT/GUARDIAN, DARBY BOINGG HERE WITH A HANDY LITTLE BOOK TO TEACH YOUR KIDS ABOUT SMOKING. IN THIS STORY, WE HELP TEACH THE DANGERS OF THIS NASTY AND HARMFUL HABIT. SMOKING IS A SERIOUS SUBJECT, AND EDUCATING YOUR KIDS ABOUT THE TRUTH IS REAL IMPORTANT. WE'LL CLEAR THE AIR SO YOU DON'T CHOKE WHEN IT COMES TIME TO DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH YOUR TERRIFIC KIDS!



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WHEN A NEW FRIEND MEETS DARBY AND THE BOINGG BOUNCERS, IT'S CLEAR HE'S A LITTLE CLOUDY ON HIS FACTS ABOUT CIGARETTES.

THERE ARE MANY MYTHS ABOUT SMOKING THAT NEED TO BE CLEARED UP. SMOKEY YUCKPAK'S IDEAS ARE PRETTY DARN FOGGY!

I'M SMOKEY YUCKPAK. DON'T YOU THINK SMOKING MAKES YOU LOOK COOL?

SMOKING MAKES YOU FEEL GOOD.

CIGARETTES HAVE SPECIAL STUFF IN THEM THAT MAKES YOU RUN FASTER

SMOKING IS 6000 FOR YOUR TEETH AND YOUR BREATH.

SMOKEY YUCKPAK

I'M IN PERFECT

HEALTH AND I SMOKE ALL DAY

LONG!

SMOKING SOOTHES YOUR THROAT.

> EVERYBODY ELSE IS DOING IT SO WHY SHOULDN'T YOU?





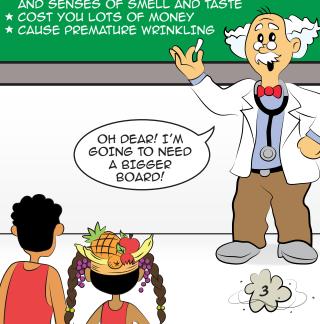
DARBY BOINGG'S FRIENDS OFFER SOUND ADVICE ON THE TRUTH ABOUT SMOKING.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A DOCTOR TO TEACH YOUR CHILDREN THE HARMFUL THINGS CIGARETTES CAN DO TO PEOPLE.

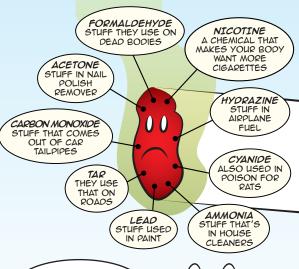


SMOKING CAN...

- * INCREASE THE CHANCE FOR A HEART ATTACK
- * INCREASE THE CHANCE FOR A STROKE
- * INCREASE THE CHANCE FOR LUNG CANCER
- * RAISE YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE
- * MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO BREATHE
- * INCREASE ANXIETY
- * MAKE YOU MORE TIRED WHEN WALKING OR EXERCISING
- * STAIN YOUR TEETH, FINGERS, CLOTHING
- * MAKE YOU COUGH AND GIVE YOU A SORE THROAT
- * CAUSE TOOTH DECAY
- * DECREASE YOUR APPETITE AND SENSES OF SMELL AND TASTE



CIGARETTES CONTAIN MORE THAN 4,000 CHEMICALS, MANY OF THEM HARMFUL AND CANCER-CAUSING.



WOW, ALL OF THAT IS REALLY IN A CIGARETTE?



YES. AND THESE TOO ...

BENZENE (A KNOWN CARCINOGEN)
ARSENIC (A RAT POISON)
BUTANE (CIGARETTE LIGHTER FLUID)
SULFURIC ACID (FOUND IN CAR BATTERIES)
METHOPRENE (A PESTICIDE)
CAFFEINE (A STIMULANT)
UPEA (FOUND IN THE URINE OF MAMMALS)



IT'S IMPORTANT FOR KIDS TO KNOW THE DANGERS OF SMOKING AND WHAT IT CAN DO TO YOUR BODY.

DR. VON WHEEZLES LIFTED THE "CLOUD OF SMOKE" TO EDUCATE THE GROUP WITH "NO FILTER."



TALK TO YOUNGER KIDS ABOUT THE RISK OF DEATH FROM CIGARETTE SMOKING. IT COULD BE INFORMATIVE FOR THEM TO KNOW WHAT DISEASES THE HABIT CAN CAUSE.

- · CHRONIC BRONCHITIS (INFLAMMATION OF THE BREATHING TUBES IN THE LUNGS)
- · LARYNGITIS (INFLAMMATION OF THE THROAT)
- · EMPHYSEMA (A DEGENERATIVE LUNG DISEASE THAT DESTROYS THE ABILITY TO BREATHE)
- · CANCER OF THE LUNGS, MOUTH AND ESOPHAGUS.
- · HEART DISEASE (HEART ATTACK)





TEACHING KIDS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HARMFUL HABITS AND HEALTHY HABITS SHOULD BE A NO-BRAINER! TAKE A LOOK AT THIS LIST AND ADD YOUR OWN ENTRIES.

HARMFUL HABITS HEALTHY HABITS

- · SMOKING
- · EATING JUNK FOOD · EATING FRUITS &
- · WATCHING TOO MUCH TV
- · NOT GETTING ENOUGH SLEEP

- · EXERCISING
- VEGGIES
- · BRUSHING TEETH REGULARLY
- · GETTING PLENTY OF REST







"NOPE, I DON'T WANT TO SMELL LIKE SMOKE!"

"NOPE, I WANT TO FILL MY LUNGS WITH CLEAN AIR."

"NOPE, I DON'T THINK SMOKING IS FOR ME."

"NOPE, I DON'T THINK MY PARENTS WOULD LIKE THAT."

"NOPE, I DON'T THINK MY COACH WOULD LIKE IT."

ENCOURAGE YOUR KIDS TO COME UP WITH THEIR OWN CATCHY PHRASES AND POSTERS TO HELP SPREAD THE TRUTH ABOUT THE DANGERS OF SMOKING.

CHIMNEYS ARE SUPPOSED TO SMOKE, NOT PEOPLE!



GIVE YOUR LUNGS AND



SAY NOPE TO SMOKE!







TEACH YOUR CHILDREN THE IDEA THAT SMOKING CAN AFFECT THEIR ABILITY TO PERFORM SOME ACTIVITIES TO THE REST OF THETR ARTLITY.



THINGS YOU CAN'T DO WHILE SMOKING





SMOKING RUINS TASTE BUDS AND MAKES EVERYTHING TASTE BAD!



IF SOMEONE OFFERS YOU A CIGARETTE, JUST SKIP IT!



SMOKING CAN DAMAGE YOUR VOICE AND LEAVE YOU FLAT!



BREATHE IN CLEAN AIR, NOT RE-CYCLED SMOKE!

YOU CAN'T REACH THE PEAK WITH A PACK OF SMOKES!

DISCUSS WITH YOUR KIDS OTHER ACTIVITIES MADE MORE DIFFICULT BY SMOKING, SUCH AS:

- · RUNNING
- · SWIMMING
- · PLAYING SPORTS · EXERCISING

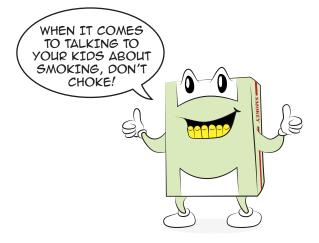




HERE ARE SOME GUIDELINES TO HELP PREVENT KIDS FROM SMOKING AND USING TOBACCO.

- KEEP TALKING TO YOUR KIDS ABOUT SMOKING AND ITS DANGERS, EVEN YOUNG CHILDREN CAN UNDERSTAND THAT SMOKING IS BAD AND CAN HURT THEIR BODIES.
- BE PATIENT AND LISTEN AS YOUR KIDS TALK TO YOU ABOUT SMOKING, HEAR WHAT APPEALS TO THEM ABOUT SMOKING AND WHAT THEY FIND UNAPPEALING.
- LET THEM KNOW IT'S OKAY TO WALK AWAY FROM FRIENDS WHO SMOKE AND DON'T RESPECT THEIR CHOICE NOT TO SMOKE.
- ENCOURAGE THEM TO PLAY SPORTS AND PARTICIPATE IN ACTIMITES THAT DON'T ALLOW SMOKING.
- KEEP THE DISCUSSION POSITIVE. STRESS
 THE RIGHT THINGS TO DO RATHER THAN THE
 WRONG. REINFORCE THEIR SELF-CONFIDENCE,
 AS IT'S OFTEN THE BEST WEAPON AGAINST
 PEER PRESSURE.
- SET RULES IN YOUR HOME: NO SMOKING, NO CHEWING TOBACCO. TELL YOUR KIDS THAT SMOKERS SMELL BAD, LOOK SICK, FEEL ILL AND MISS OUT ON DOING FUN STUFF: SMOKING IS BAD FOR EVERYONE'S HEALTH.





THINK ABOUT THIS:

KIDS WHO USE TOBACCO ARE MORE LIKELY TO...

- COUGH A LOT, DEVELOP ASTHMA AND OTHER RESPIRATORY PROBLEMS.
- HAVE TROUBLE WITH ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE, AS SMOKING AFFECTS LUNG CAPACITY AND ENDURANCE.
- HAVE YELLOWED TEETH AND BAD BREATH, A BY-PRODUCT OF TOBACCO.
- · SMELL BAP! CIGARETTE SMOKE STICKS TO CLOTHING, AS THE STRONG SMELL OF STALE SMOKE LINGERS FOR A LONG TIME.
- TRY OTHER DRUGS SUCH AS ALCOHOL, MARIJUANA AND COCAINE.
- BECOME ADDICTED TO TOBACCO AND HAVE A DIFFICULT TIME QUITTING.





SMOKING BY THE NUMBERS

34,000,000

DOLLARS SPENT EACH DAY ON ADVERTISING BY THE CIGARETTE INDUSTRY

443,000

DEATHS PER YEAR FROM TOBACCO USE

5,000

AVERAGE COST IN DOLLARS SPENT IN A YEAR BY A SINGLE SMOKER

4,000+

NUMBER OF DIFFERENT CHEMICALS IN CIGARETTES

3,450

NUMBER OF YOUNG PEOPLE BETWEEN 12 AND 17 YEARS OF AGE EACH DAY, WHO SMOKE THEIR FIRST CIGARETTE

70

PERCENTAGE OF SMOKERS WHO WANT TO COMPLETELY QUIT

50+

NUMBER OF KNOWN CARCINOGENS IN CIGARETTES

33

PERCENTAGE OF ALL CANCERS CAUSED BY TOBACCO USE

21

PERCENTAGE OF ADULTS WHO ARE SMOKERS

13-14

NUMBER OF YEARS ON AVERAGE THAT SMOKERS DIE EARLIER THAN NONSMOKERS

NUMBER OF ASTHMATIC 15-YEAR-OLD JAPANESE BOYS NEEDED TO CONVINCE THE CITY COUNCIL IN SHIZUOKA CITY, JAPAN, TO

BAN SMOKING IN PUBLIC

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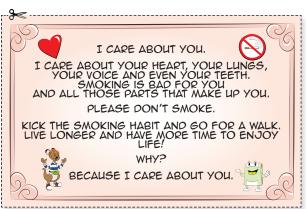
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TALK TO YOUR KIDS ABOUT WHO YOU CAN HELP TO QUIT THE DANGEROUS HABIT OF SMOKING. GETTING KIDS ACTIVE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST SMOKING WILL HELP THEM STAY ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE BATTLE.

WHO CAN YOU HELP QUIT SMOKING?





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TAKE THE PLEDGE TO SAY NOPE TO SMOKE WITH YOUR KIDS!

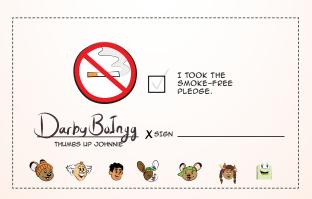


I'LL STAY SMOKE-FREE AND BREATHE IN CLEARLY, I'LL VALUE MY HEALTH AND MY WELL-BEING DEARLY.

IF OFFERED A CIGARETTE, I'LL JUST SAY NOPE, I'O RATHER RIDE BIKES OR PLAY SPORTS OR JUMP ROPE!

THERE ISN'T ONE GOOD THING THAT COMES OUT OF SMOKING, JUST COUGHING AND GAGGING AND STINKING AND CHOKING.

SO HERE I DO PLEDGE TO STAY SMOKE-FREE FOREVER, AND NEVER START SMOKING, NOT EVER, NOPE, NEVER!



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