











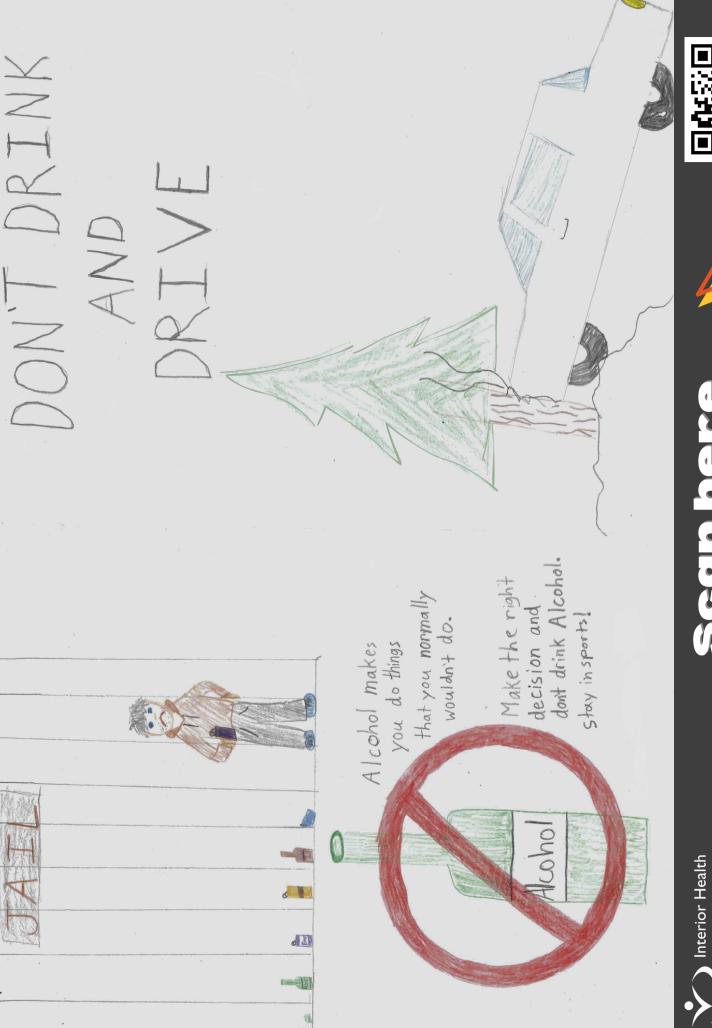




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information on substance use for more youth resources and





Climate change is causing global weather patterns to vary, causing concerns like drought, flooding, wildfires and storms affecting air quality, clean water and food security. Commercial tobacco has a huge impact on our environment and climate change. It is not just about the lives of tobacco users and those around them, tobacco can no longer be categorized simply as a health threat, it is a threat to our world. Don't be the person who makes the world darker, be the person who helps save it.

Don't make our world an ash pit

loss of biodiversity

Tobacco use is the leading contributor to chronic diseases in B.C.

industry costs the world more Every Year the tobacco Han 8 million human lives

soil erosion

degradation

Office of the state of the stat Tobacco is killing us and our planet

> water pollution and increases in atmospheric carbon dioxide.





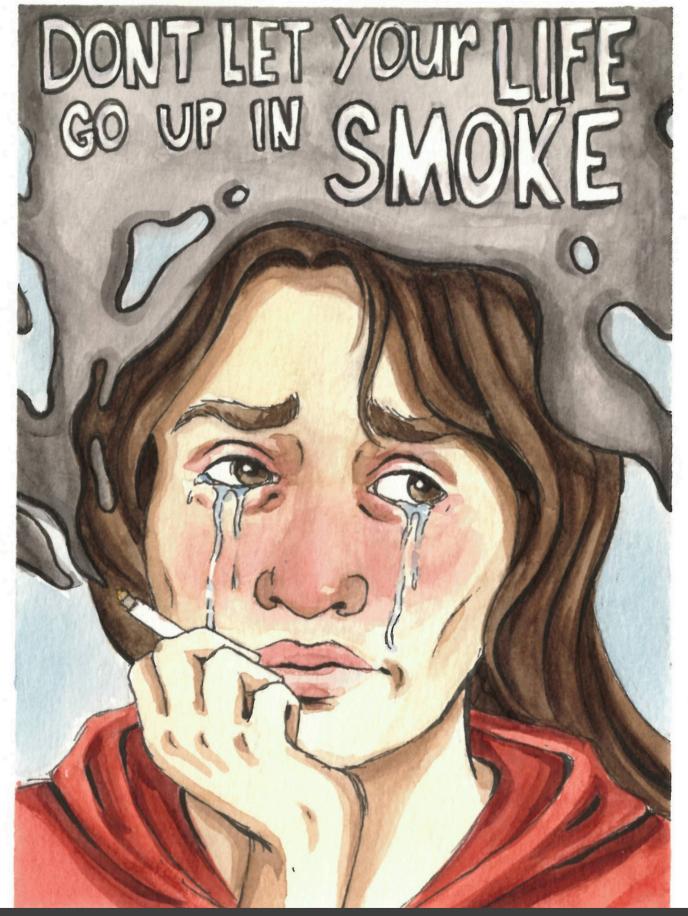




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# VAPING:

#### **DANGERS TEENS FACE**

#### **SERIOUS FACTS**

- Canada Has The **Highest** Vaping Rate In The World (CBC News, 2020)
- 1 in 4 Highschool Students reported Vaping In Canada

(CBC News, 2020)

• 29% Of Students Have Tried E-Cigarettes

CRC News 2020)



2017 2018 2019 TEENS REPORTED VAPING IN LAST 30 DAYS (CBC News, 2020)

#### EFFECTS ON BRAIN

Vaping greatly affects the way your brain functions, it can restrict your ability to learn and concentrate. These changes are permanent and can overall affect your mood and increase nicotine dependence. Nicotine affects the areas in your brain relating to reward process and cognitive control, regulating emotion, motivation, and impulses.

#### **POPCORN LUNG**

Diacetyl, a chemical originally used during the production of butter-flavoured popcorn was linked to various deaths and cases of bronchiolitis obliterans (lung disease) among factory workers. Vaping exposes users to diacetyl through the vapors causing irreversible lung disease resulting in coughing, wheezing, and shortness of breath. The vapors cause scarring in small air sacs in the lungs which thicken and narrow the airways.

#### DANGERS

- Explosions
- Addiction to Nicotine
- Exposure to Harmful Metals and Chemicals
- Burns
- . Lung Damage
- . Sore Mouth or Throat
- Cough
- Shortness of Breath
- Nausea

#### **VAPING VS. SMOKING**

Both smoking and vaping are harmful to the human body, such as damage to the lungs and increase **risk of cancer**. Although, studies show vaping can become more addictive than smoking. Vaping can reduce the amount of chemicals a person inhales but increase their **dependence on nicotine**.



#### LAWS AND REGULATIONS

- Miximum Nicotine Concentration Of 20mg/mL For Vaping Products
- Advertising To Youth Is Prohibited

Prohibited In Public Buildings And Workplaces

 Its Illegal To Sell Or Provide Vapeing Products To Anyone Under The Age Of 18

#### THE PRESSURE FACTOR

Teens may feel pressured to try things they are not comfortable with, these my stem from:

- School Stress
- Home Life Responsibility
- Family Pressure
- Social Media
- Desire To Fit In

#### **CONTROLING ADDICTION**

It is recommended to talk to someone you trust about your addiction whether that may be family or friends. They may care more about your health and safety than you do yourself.

13%

AGED 15 - 19 ARE REPORTED USING
E - CIGARETTES IN CANADA
(Legacy For Airway Health)

3K

CASES OF VAPING LUNG INJURIES
WERE IN US AND CANADA
(Canadian Paediatric Society)



#### **REACH OUT**

BC Youth Support - https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/vaping/youth-support Chat with a Quit Now Coach - (1-877-455-2233)

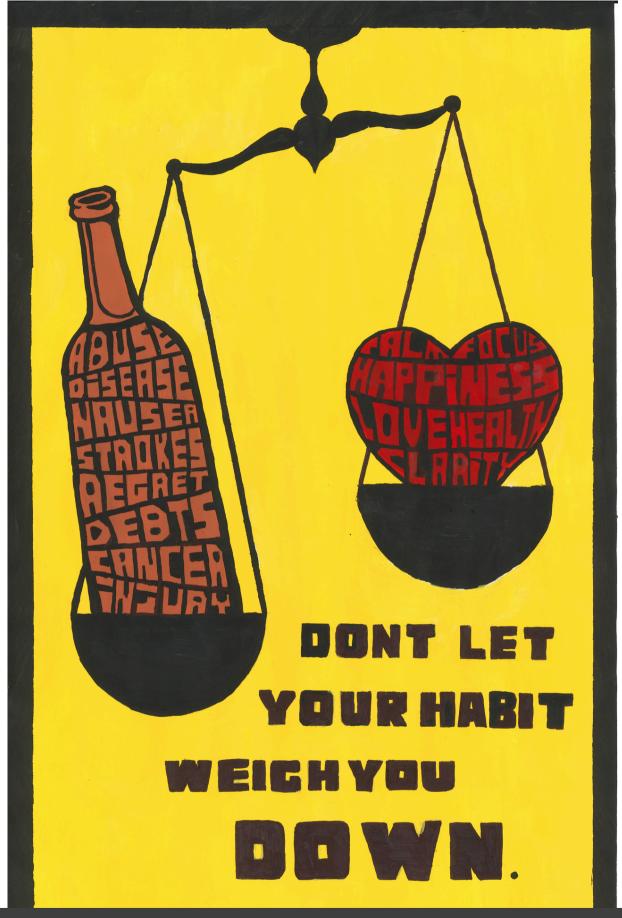




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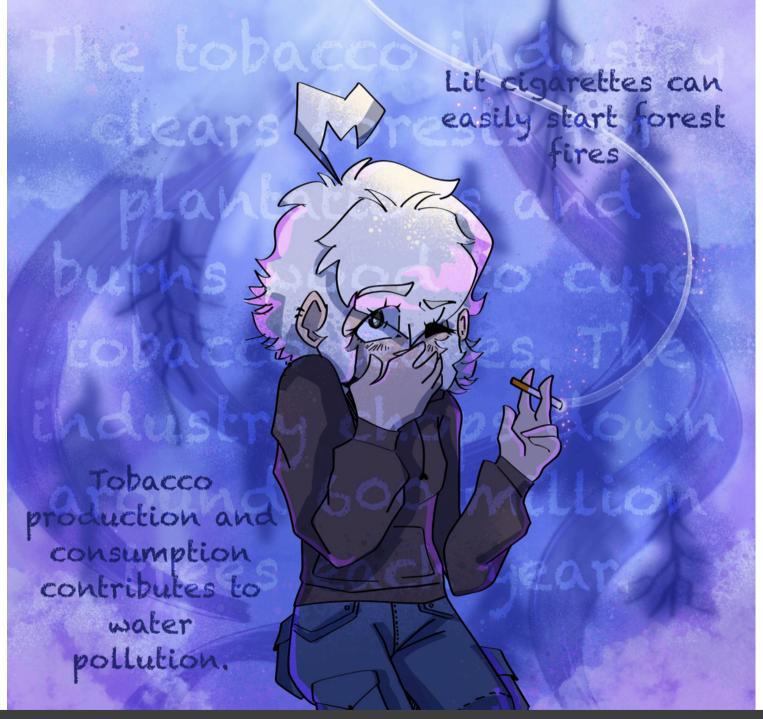


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# Smoking causes damage to your lungs, and the environment







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