

NORTH STAR 3e Level 5

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Video Activity Worksheet

Unit 1: Addiction

Smoking

Comprehension

Predict

This video is about the harmful effects of smoking and discusses the need for an anti-smoking campaign to target teenagers. Before you watch the video, answer the following questions.

- Why do people smoke?
- Why are anti-smoking campaigns targeted at teenagers in particular?

Focus

Watch the video. Find the answer to the following question.

What are some of the short-term effects of tobacco use?

Comprehension A

Check (✓) the topics that are discussed in the video.

- How many deaths are caused by tobacco use
- How nicotine causes addiction.
- Which fatal illnesses are smoking related
- Why the anti-smoking campaign has failed
- Why people start smoking
- Why minority teenagers are smoking more

Comprehension B

Answer the questions.

1. Why are smoking-related deaths called unnecessary deaths?

2. Why are college students not smoking as much as teenagers?

3. What evidence shows that smoking hasn't "gone the way of the dinosaur"?



Speaking

Choose one of the topics. Record and submit a one-to-two-minute response.

- Do you smoke? Do you know people that do? How did the habit start? Have you or they tried quitting? Why or why not? Describe the experiences.
- With all the evidence of the dangerous effects of smoking, why do you think people start smoking every day and others continue to smoke?
- Do you think smoking is an addiction? Compare smoking to other addictions you know about.
- What are the roles of the individual, the government, and the tobacco industry in regards to smoking? Is it an individual's right and responsibility to make his or her own decisions, good or bad, regarding smoking? Should the government make cigarette smoking illegal? Should the department of health run more effective anti-smoking campaigns and better educate people? Should the tobacco industry take some responsibility?

Writing

Write a proposal to the Department of Health for an anti-smoking campaign targeting teenagers. What would you do to communicate to teens that smoking is not worth the dangerous consequences? Explain how you would get the message out, what kind of, if any, media you would use and what you would say. Explain why you think teenagers would respond to your campaign.

