

A Letter to the Editor

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Dear Editor,

I am writing to draw everybody's attention to a serious social issue. Recently, more and more teenagers have suffered from drug abuse. If we do not solve the problem, the result will be very serious. I would like to talk about the reasons for taking drugs, symptoms and what teenagers, teachers and parents can do to help solve the problem.

Firstly, there are different reasons for teenagers taking drugs. The first is curiosity. Teens always want to try something interesting. Drugs may be an unknown to most youngsters. Besides, teens may try drugs because of peer pressure. If their friends persuade them to take drugs, they may give it a try so as not to be left alone or ignored. Moreover, teens nowadays suffer from a lot of stress. They may mistakenly think that taking drugs is a way out to escape from reality.

If teenagers get addicted to drugs, we can easily find it out from the symptoms. For example, they will throw up quite frequently. Ketamine, also known as 'k-jai', is one of the popular drugs among teens. They will always go to the toilet too if they take 'k-jai'.

Teenagers, teachers and parents can help solve the problem of teenage drug abuse. First, teenagers should seek help from others like doctors for professional advice. Doctors may refer them to some rehab clinics to get over their drug addiction. At this moment, teachers and parents are the ones who should give support to the teenagers.

To conclude, it is important for teenagers to quit drug abuse. Everyone should understand how bad taking drugs is. Let's work hard and say 'No' to drugs.

Yours faithfully,
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Teacher's Feedback : Timmy, you demonstrated the three parts- reasons, symptoms and solutions clearly. Good! Teenagers are our future; everyone has the responsibility to help them steer away from drugs which would definitely ruin their lives! (Mr. Wong Kai Cheung)