

Inhalants

Inhalants are Breathable chemical vapors that produce mind altering effects.

There are three types

1. Volatile Solvents

2. Gases

3. Nitrites

Street names include poppers, snappers, ozone.

Products Abused

Gasoline

Glue

Octane Booster

Nitrous Oxide

Lighter Fluid

Room Deodorizer

Helium

Hair Spray

Chloroform

Paint Thinner

White Out

Toxic Markers

Who would you think is endangered?

Street children!

Volatile substances are easily available and cheap

Ways to use volatile solvents

Inhalants are ingested into the body by breathing in the vapors of the product. Several methods of inhalation can be used by abusers:

Using a bag

Using a rag

Using pressurized containers

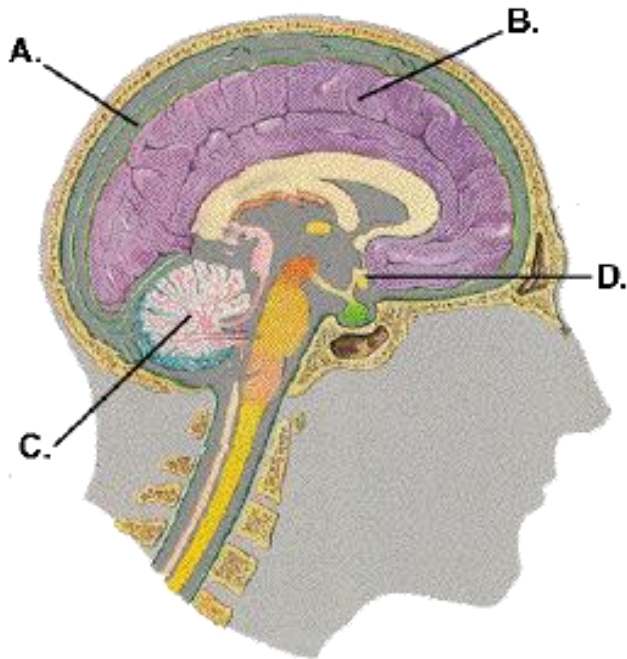
Solvents and Brain Damage

A. Brain – Inhalants abuse causes a variety of serious sensory and psychological disorders.

B. Cerebral Cortex – Inhalant abuse causes personality changes, memory loss, hallucinations, and learning disabilities.

C. Cerebellum – Inhalant abuse causes loss of coordination, slurred speech, chronic tremors, and uncontrollable shaking.

D. Ophthalmic Nerve – Inhalant abuse can cause serious sight disorders, including blindness.



Effects of Inhalants

Acute intoxication with inhalants can result in:

dizziness

unconsciousness

hallucinations

nausea

drowsiness

disorientation

blurred vision

loss of self control

delirium

seizures

accidents and injury,

death from heart failure.

Effects of Inhalants

Chronic use is associated with:

extreme tiredness

red, watery eyes,

cough

runny nose and spots around the nose,

tremor and slowed reactions,

damage to the heart, lungs, liver and kidneys

chronic headaches

sinus problems and nosebleeds

indigestion and stomach ulcers

memory loss and confusion

depression and aggression

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