

DRUGS

More people are abusing drugs today than in another time in history of mankind , and many of those people are youth.

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Understanding what drugs are fundamental for understanding their potential abuse. Drugs are a psychoactive substance.

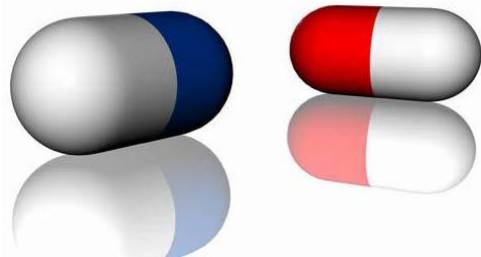


Some of these substances are called drugs and others, like alcohol & tobacco, are considered dangerous, but are not called

A psychoactive substance is something that people take to change the way they feel, think, or behave.

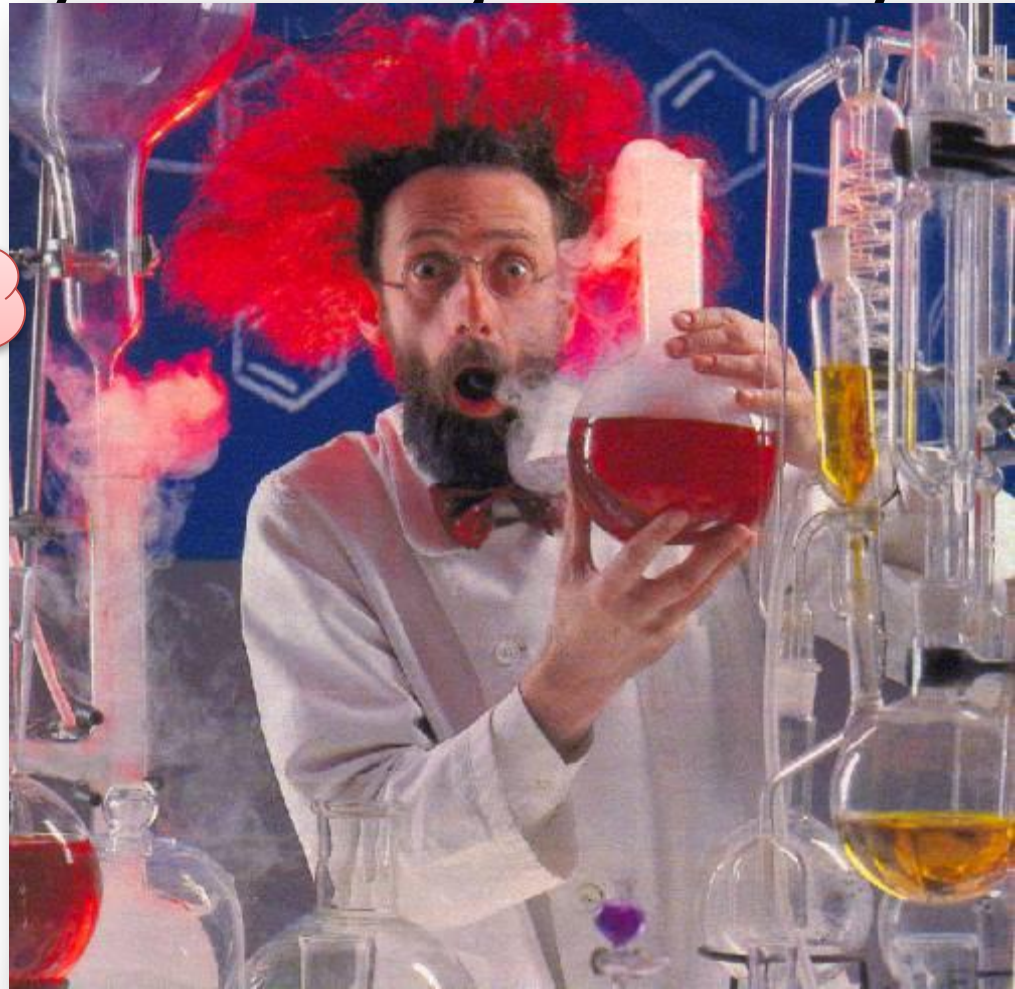


The term drug also covers a number of substances that must be used under medical supervision to treat illnesses.



We are going to talk about drugs as those man – made or naturally occurring substances used without medical supervision , basically to change the way a

thinks



In the past, most drugs were made from plants. That is, plants were grown and then converted into drugs such as **coca paste**, **opium** and **marijuana**.



Opium



Marijuana

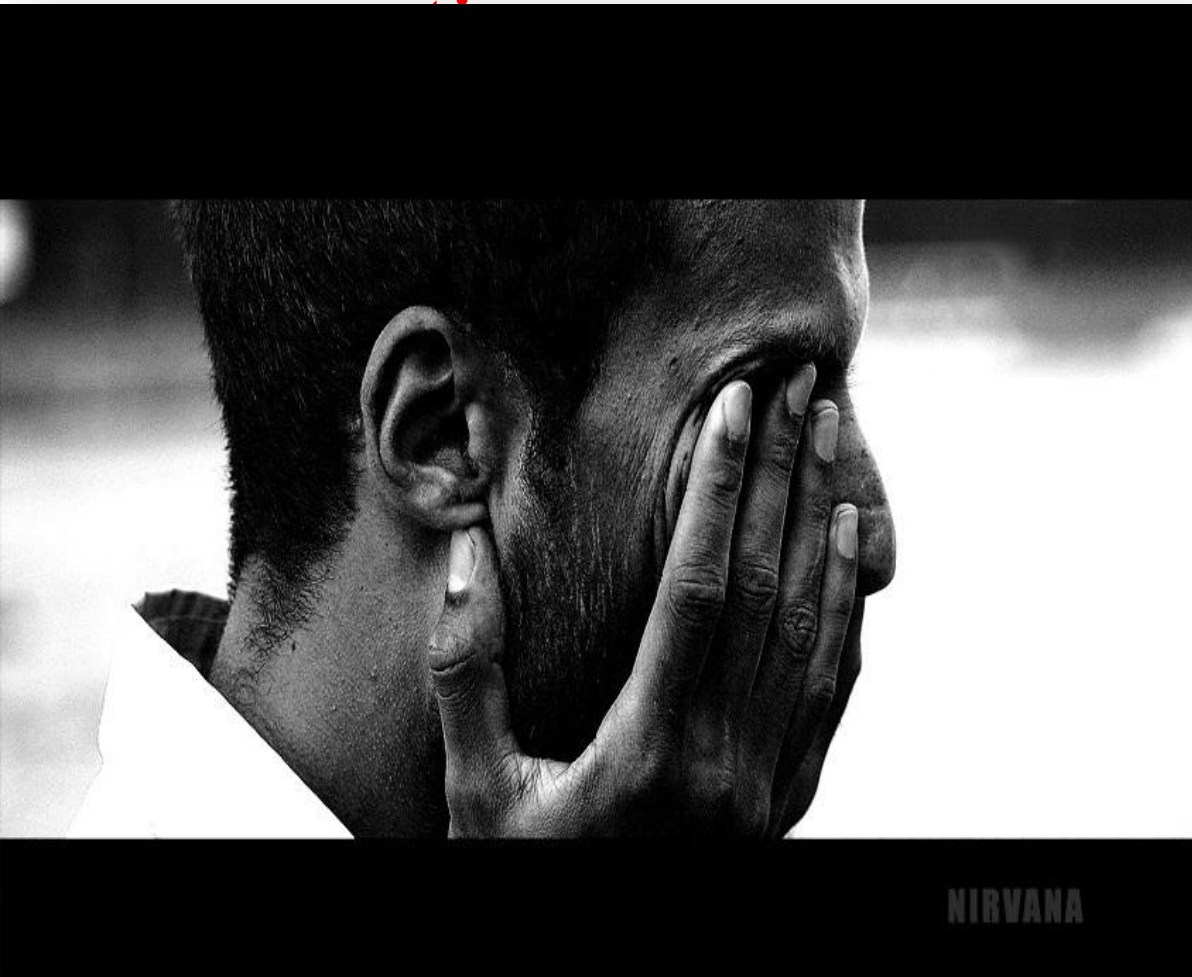


Over the years, these crude products were further processed to drugs like **cocaine** and **heroin** and finally, in the 20th century people found out how to make



There are called man – made or synthetic drugs and include **ecstasy**, **LSD**, **ect**. These were initially manufactured for largely experimental reasons and only

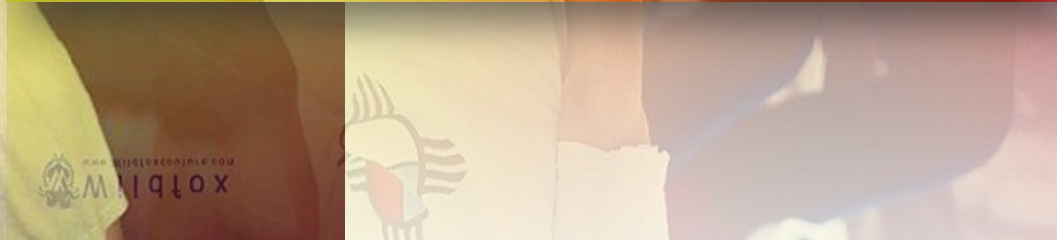
Now, however, with the increased size and scope of the drug trade, people set out to invent drugs especially for **human**



For the first time in human history, a whole industrial complex creates and produces drugs that are meant to be used for



People use drugs just to escape the reality, to have fun. The majority of them are young, even very young, **who do not understand what might happen because of drugs.**



QUESTIONS:

1. What is fundamental to understand the essence of drugs?
2. What kind of drugs do you know?
3. What naturally occurring drugs do you know?
4. What synthetic drugs do you know?



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