



TARGET AMERICA:
Opening Eyes to the Damage Drugs Cause



Making Connections C – Answer Key

After your visit to the Target America Exhibit, answer the statements below as True or False. In #15 and #16 make your connection to the information learned from the exhibit. Please use these statements as a basis for a discussion to share about the exhibit.

1. Children are not affected by drug use and drug users. **False**
2. Street drugs are unsafe in part because their purity is not known. They could be mixed with other toxic chemicals or drugs. **True**
3. Many drugs, including methamphetamine and heroin, can depress the respiratory system and could lead to death. **True**
4. Pharmaceutical drug abuse is not a problem in the U.S. especially not in Florida. **False**
5. Drug addiction is a chronic, progressive disease characterized by compulsive seeking and use of drugs in the face of negative consequences. **True**
6. Six out of ten substance abusers suffer from mental disease, often going to hospitals, institutions or jail. **True**
7. Most babies with AIDS are born to mothers or fathers who have used drugs intravenously. **True**
8. The reward circuit within the brain includes a chemical called dopamine, which triggers feelings of pleasure and reward. **True**
9. Hallucinogens such as LSD make you see the world more realistic and creative. **False**
10. Some methamphetamine labs have deadly results because they use chemicals that are explosive and toxic. **True**
11. Marijuana is not harmful or addicting because it is a natural herbal plant. **False**
12. Inhalants may smell strong but really don't harm your brain or respiratory system. **False**
13. Steroids are a drug of choice for some athletes who perceive that they will be more competitive or more muscular. **True**
14. Addiction treatment can be effective and successful, allowing an addict in recovery hope for a new life. **True**

