

# Problem scenario – boys

## Drugs Awareness

George has been friends with Keith and Bill for as long as he can remember but lately all they want to do is smoke cannabis. George has noticed that since they have been smoking on a daily basis, they are moody, they forget things and they go on at him to join in. George will smoke with them occasionally but he really doesn't like it. He'd rather use his money on other things and he tends to get really paranoid when he takes it. Besides, he doesn't want to get schizophrenia, the thing the drugs teacher said they could get. The problem is that they are his only 'real' friends. Not only is he worried about their health but he doesn't really enjoy their company when they are stoned.

## Questions

- ▶ Why do you think that smoking cannabis is 'all' Keith and Bill want to do?
- ▶ What has George observed about their behaviour?
- ▶ Do you think that everyone might like to smoke cannabis? If so, why? If not, why not?
- ▶ Does smoking cannabis cause schizophrenia? Is their drugs teacher right?
- ▶ Why do you think George doesn't enjoy their company when they are stoned?
- ▶ Are they his 'real' friends?
- ▶ How would you feel in George's shoes?
- ▶ What advice would you give to George in order to help him manage this problem?



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