

# Questions

Sociology



**ASSIGN  
BUSTER**

Sociology affiliation Question Overall teen drug use continues gradual decline; but use of inhalants rises The survey conducted in 2004 on the 10th, 11th and 12th American students indicates that there is a continued decline in use of illicit drugs but a high usage of inhalants. The survey comprised a total of 50, 000 students. The decline has taken place between 1996 and 2004 from 23. 6% to 15. 2 % respectively. The statistics indicated that Marijuana was by far the most abused illicit drug and the 2004 survey indicated that there was a slight decline in its usage. The research conducted in the three grades, that is, 10th, 11th and 12th graded showed that, other than a slight decline in usage of Marijuana, there is significant decrease in use of other illicit drugs.

Several factors have tremendously contributed towards the decline. One of the factors is that, a large percentage of students consider Marijuana as a dangerous drug and thus disapprove any beliefs considered beneficial. In addition, the media has played a great role in fighting against the use of Marijuana and any other illicit drug. In connection to that, as opposed to the earlier times, it is very rare to obtain Marijuana, and this is a factor that decreases its use. On the other hand, the survey indicated that there has been an increase in use of inhalants in all the grades. However, the 8th graders indicated a consistency in usage. This is because the inhalants are obtained at less expensive prices, are legalized and easy in getting them. Therefore, the young adolescents that are unable to have an access to the illicit drugs go for the inhalants. However, these statistics may be biased because the survey used a sample of students that are in school, and never considered those adolescents that are out of school. It would be efficient if the survey entailed the adolescent population without cutting a thin line

<https://assignbuster.com/questions-essay-samples-15/>

between those in schools and those out of school. Even though, it is conclusive that a high proportion of 8th graders have indulged in using inhalants as opposed to the upper graders. This indicates that if correct measures are not taken, this group may later graduate to using illicit drugs.

#### Question 2

Escape from Planet Earth by Brendan Fraser, James Gandolfini, Jessica Alba, and Sarah Jessica Parker is a movie released on February 15th 2013. The metascore uses 8 critics in classifying the movie and the reviews emanates from the mixed and/or average reviews. In addition, the user score used is 6.2 out of 10. The movie is about Scorch Supernova, who is an astronaut and he is trapped when he responds to an emergency that emanates from a fatal alien Planet. Generating a metascore that is unbiased is pretty tricky and the metacritic used is carefully determined by a high proportion of the worlds most esteemed critics. The critics collected are assigned scores and a weighted average method is used in summing up the range of views. The metascore used ranges from 0-100 and the higher scores determined by the number of critics and reviews indicates a better general view of the movie. A higher metascore means that the movie will sell out well in the market as opposed to a movie that has fewer critics. The metascore are highlighted in three colors for simple comparison.

#### Reference

Johnston, L. D., OMalley, P. M., Bachman, J. G. & Schulenberg, J. E. (December 21, 2004). Overall teen drug use continues gradual decline; but use of inhalants rises. University of Michigan News and Information Services:

Ann Arbor, MI. [On-line]. Available: [www.monitoringthefuture.org](http://www.monitoringthefuture.org); Accessed 2013-02-20