

# SIGNS & SYMPTOMS MARIJUANA

## Street Names

Weed, Pot, Grass, Ganja, Joint, Blunt, Mary Jane

## Method of Use

Smoked (pipe, joint-cigarette size, blunt-cigar size),  
Ingested (mixed with food)



### Symptoms/ Effects of Use

- Euphoria (elated sense of well-being)
- Distorted perceptions
- Red/blood-shot eyes
- Disruption of coordination/balance
- Slowed reaction time
- Lack of motivation
- Memory impairment
- Difficulty thinking and solving problems
- Anxiety, fear, distrust, paranoia
- Cancer of the lungs
- Brain damage
- Frequent acute chest illnesses (asthma, emphysema)
- Greater risk for lung infections (Bronchitis, Pneumonia, common cold)
- Psychosis
- Chronic use: increased rates of anxiety, depression, and schizophrenia



### What to look for...

- Red/blood-shot eyes
- White bumps on the tongue (only after recent/immediate use)
- Smell of marijuana and/or strong odors of cologne/perfume to mask marijuana smell
- Excessive use of eye drops
- Having the "munchies"
- Money spent/unaccounted for
- Difficulty holding a conversation
- Inappropriate laughter
- Evidence of drug paraphernalia



### Withdrawal Symptoms

- Irritability
- Sleeping difficulties
- Cravings
- Anxiety
- Depressed mood

**Note:** Each person may experience different symptoms/effects. This list is not inclusive. For more information, visit [www.drugabuse.gov](http://www.drugabuse.gov)