

EXCERPT FROM "SMOKING" BY PLACIDO DOMINGO ROCHAS

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Read the text carefully.

Many teens start smoking because they have friends or older brothers and sisters who do. Some teens look at smoking as a way to get through their classes or other difficult social situations. Smoking gives them something to do with their hands and makes them feel like an adult.

Others believe that it is a way to help them relax when they are stressed out because of activities, responsibilities or family problems.

The author what age people start smoking - between 100% of adult smokers start when they are still teens - they sometimes don't get hooked.

They may start by asking for cigarettes at the home of a party, and then go to the store to buy more. Some teens believe they don't get hooked that fast. They get hooked by smoking the cigarette first thing in the morning, after meals, or during any social time. They are addicted, both physically and psychologically.

A. Find the equivalent of the following words in the text.

4 POINTS

1. friends _____
2. hooked (S.V.) _____
3. home (S.V.) _____
4. addicted (S.V.) _____

B. Answer the following questions in the text.

12 POINTS

1. Why do many teens start smoking?

2. How do teenagers start smoking?

3. Do people start to become addicted when they start smoking?
