

Introduction

This program discusses the effects of the media on teens. It is designed to help teens feel comfortable discussing the issues as well as the positive and negative effects of the media.

The video goes over many problems faced by teenagers dealing with the media and its impact and influences. It shows the pros and cons of all media, from television to magazines to music.

Learning Objectives

After completing the program, the students should have a better understanding of the effects that media has on teens.

Discussion Topics/Questions

- 1) List some positive effects of the media.
- 2) Describe ways these positive effects of the media can be beneficial to teens.
- 3) List some negative effects from the media.
- 4) Describe ways these negative effects of the media can be detrimental to teens.
- 5) How has the media affected you?
- 6) What are some ways not to be affected negatively by the media?
- 7) Name some various forms of media?
- 8) What does it mean to “be yourself”?
- 9) What are some ways media can affect your future?
- 10) Who should you ask for help if you are not happy with yourself?

Presenting the Program

To prepare a lesson plan for the presentation of each program, review the suggested outline below.

1) Before Students View The Program:

Collect as many recommended books as possible to help generate class interest and participation. Preview each program and become familiar with the concepts that are presented in it.

2) Students View The Program:

The first viewing if possible should be uninterrupted.

3) After The First Viewing:

Elicit discussion of what the students have seen and heard. The next viewing will be enriched by this general discussion.

4) Second Viewing:

The program may be viewed again, this time with attention to detail. The teacher should feel free to stop and question students regarding:

- 1) What is happening in a visual?
- 2) The major concepts.

5) Post Activities and Discussion:

Discussion questions for this program may be used to stimulate further interest, reinforce concepts and evaluate student comprehension.

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