Grade 5

5. Healthy Lifestyle Practices

The student will demonstrate the ability to make informed decisions for healthy living related to personal health practices, active living, healthy nutritional practices, substance use and abuse, and human sexuality.
### Prescribed Learning Outcomes

**Students will...**

- **K.5.5.A.3** Examine dental hygiene practices and dental services (e.g., cleaning, fillings, root canals, fluoride treatment, braces, extractions...) **for the prevention of plaque buildup, bad breath, tooth decay, and/or dental disease.**

### Suggested for Instruction

- **Mouth Model**
  
  Have students build a clay model of the inside of their mouths. Ask them to show dental hygiene practices (e.g., brushing, flossing) that could be used to prevent plaque buildup, bad breath, tooth decay, and/or dental disease. Have them demonstrate the dental services (e.g., cleaning, fillings, root canals, fluoride treatment, braces, extractions).

- **Dental Demo**
  
  Have students research a dental hygiene practice or service. Ask them to demonstrate the procedure to the class and discuss how it prevents plaque buildup, bad breath, tooth decay, and/or dental disease.

- **Guest Speaker**
  
  Invite a dental hygienist into the class to discuss the importance of dental hygiene practices and to demonstrate them. To encourage active listening, have students use the LAPS Frame (see *Success for All Learners* 6.54).

- **Dental Practices**
  
  To determine current daily hygiene practices and available services in the community, have students develop a survey for younger students and/or parents to complete either in print or by interview. Results could be represented on appropriate graphs. Have students present survey results to the class, to the local parent advisory council, or at a health/science fair.

### Curricular Connections

**ELA:**
- GLO 3—Manage ideas and information.
- GLO 4—Enhance the clarity and artistry of communication.

**MA:**
- Statistics and Probability

**SC:**
- Cluster 1—Maintaining a Healthy Body
Integration Link:
In Grade 5 Science (Cluster 1), help students make connections between healthy nutrition and dental health (e.g., limiting sweets in own diet, eating healthy foods).
For information and/or suggested learning resources related to dental health, consult
• Manitoba Dental Association
  Telephone: 204-988-5300
• The Dental Zone website:
  <http://www.saveyoursmile.com>

♦ Paper and Pencil Task: Mouth Model; Dental Demo
Teacher Assessment: Checklist
Have students write a brief description of a variety of dental practices and dental services, such as the following:
• cleaning
• brushing and flossing
• fillings
• fluoride treatment
• braces
• extractions
• root canals

Suggested Criterion:
The student is able to identify various dental hygiene practices and dental services.
☐ Yes
☐ No

♦ Questioning/Interview: Dental Practices
Teacher Assessment: Scoring Rubric
Investigations could be assessed using a student- or teacher-designed rubric that reflects the appropriate learning outcomes from mathematics and English language arts curricula.
Proper Use

Brainstorm for different substances that people use to improve their health (e.g., prescription drugs, vitamins, EpiPens). Discuss the difference between medicinal substances and non-medicinal substances. Categorize the brainstormed list accordingly. Discuss the risks of inappropriate use.

Guest Speaker

Invite an Aboriginal elder to speak to the class about the use of tobacco and the role it plays in Aboriginal traditions. To encourage active listening, have students use the LAPS Frame (see Success for All Learners 6.54).

Use or Lose

Ask students to develop a chart for medicinal and non-medicinal substances, distinguishing between appropriate and inappropriate use.

Example:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Substance</th>
<th>Appropriate Use</th>
<th>Inappropriate Use</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Vitamins</td>
<td>Take one a day to supplement diet.</td>
<td>Take excess amount (more than daily requirement), without doctor’s direction.</td>
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</tbody>
</table>
The learning activities for this outcome include potentially sensitive content. Before implementation, check with the school administration for school/division/district guidelines and procedures related to providing a parental option.

Discuss the following issues:
- the dangers of sharing medication
- the proper ways to discard medication
- the medicinal substances that are specific to culture
- the dangers of combining substances
- the hazards of using expired medication
- the dangers of overdosing
- the dangers of inappropriate use
- other

**Paper and Pencil Task: Guest Speaker**
Teacher Assessment: Checklist
When using the LAPS Frame, look for evidence of understanding of substances and their various uses.

**Paper and Pencil Task: Use or Lose**
Teacher Assessment: Scoring Rubric
Have students list medicinal substances and indicate how each is best used.

**Suggested Criteria:**
Use a scoring rubric to assess student understanding of the appropriate use of substances.

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<tr>
<th>Scoring Rubric</th>
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<tr>
<td>The student</td>
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<td>• is able to list and describe appropriate use of identified substances</td>
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Students will...

☐ K.5.5.D.2 Describe effects and consequences of substance use (e.g., alcohol and tobacco, street drugs...) on body systems (e.g., alcohol affects the brain, liver, and nervous system; alcohol affects fetal development in a pregnant woman; tobacco and smoke affect the respiratory and circulatory systems; street drugs change a person’s behaviour and cause harmful physical effects and may cause death...).

Curricular Connections
ELA:
GLO 3—Manage ideas and information.
GLO 4—Enhance the clarity and artistry of communication.
GLO 5—Celebrate and build community.
MA:
Statistics and Probability
SC:
Cluster 1—Maintaining a Healthy Body

Suggestions for Instruction

♦ Hidden Harm
Have students research effects and consequences of substances of their choice on the body systems. Have them prepare an oral presentation, a computer-generated presentation, or a poster to present information to the class.

Variation: Develop models of the body systems to show the effects of substances (e.g., alcohol, tobacco, street drugs) on the body.

♦ Interviews
Have students develop a research plan/questionnaire to interview a specific number of people who smoke and the same number of people who do not smoke, analyze responses, and draw conclusions. Consider integrating this learning activity with mathematics.

Sample Questions for Smokers:
- Are you concerned about the health risks of smoking?
- If the answer is “yes,” which risks concern you?
- Why did you start smoking?
- What do you like about smoking?
- Why do you continue to smoke?
- Would you recommend smoking to a young person?

Sample Questions for Non-smokers:
- Why do you think young people start smoking?
- Have you ever tried smoking? Why or why not?
- What keeps you from smoking?
Every Manitoba school receives the *Manitoba Addictions Awareness Week: Resource Kit* each year. For more information, contact The Addictions Foundation of Manitoba Telephone: 204-944-6281 Website: <http://www.afm.mb.ca>. Health Canada has information related to disease and conditions at the following website: <http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/hppb/hepatitis_c/index.html>. For information on fetal alcohol syndrome, see pages 13 to 100 of *Making the Right Choice: A Grade 5-8 Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Prevention Curriculum*, published by Frontier School Division Area 5 Office Norway House, MB R0B 1B0 Telephone: 204-359-6711 Fax: 204-359-6897 Also see *Towards Inclusion: Tapping Hidden Strengths: Planning for Students Who Are Alcohol-Affected* (Manitoba Education, Training and Youth). For other topic-related resources, consult *Substance Abuse Prevention: A Bibliography*, May 2002, available online from the Instructional Resources Unit (Library), Manitoba Education and Youth: <http://libinfo.merlin.mb.ca/publications>. **Integration Link:** Teachers are encouraged to check the Grade 5 Science curriculum to make curricular connections where possible.

### TEACHER NOTES

If students describe the effects and consequences of substance abuse on body systems.

#### Suggested Criterion:
The student is able to list the effects and consequences of abuse of selected substances.

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

### SUGGESTIONS FOR ASSESSMENT

♦ **Paper and Pencil Task: Hidden Harm**

Teacher Assessment: Checklist

Have students describe the effects and consequences of substance abuse on body systems.

**Suggested Criterion:**
The student is able to list the effects and consequences of abuse of selected substances.

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

Grade 5: Healthy Lifestyle Practices–Knowledge
Physical Education/Health Education: A Foundation for Implementation

PRESCRIBED LEARNING OUTCOMES

Students will...

☐ K.5.5.D.3 Identify peer, cultural, media, and social influences related to substance use and abuse (e.g., dares from friends; pressure to belong to a group; attractive portrayals through advertisements/television/videos; family/cultural/religious values; peer pressure from groups and gangs; alcoholics or smokers in the family...).

SUGGESTIONS FOR INSTRUCTION

♦ Four Squares of Influence

Have students fold a blank piece of paper into four equal parts and label the four parts: peers, culture, media, and social factors. Have groups of students identify the influences related to substance use and abuse from each category.

♦ Media Search

Ask each student to bring to class (or provide students with) advertisements related to substance use and abuse. Discuss examples of television shows or movies students may have seen that show substance use and abuse. Have a class discussion related to how the media try to influence people.

♦ Write All about It

Have students write, in their journals, about positive and negative situations they have observed or experienced related to pressure to use substances.

Curricular Connections

ELA:
GLO 1—Explore thoughts, ideas, feelings, and experiences.
GLO 2—Comprehend and respond personally and critically to oral, literary, and media texts.
GLO 5—Celebrate and build community.

SC:
Cluster 1—Maintaining a Healthy Body
For information on fetal alcohol syndrome, see pages 13 to 100 of *Making the Right Choice: A Grade 5-8 Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Prevention Curriculum* (Thordarson and Braun), published by Frontier School Division Area 5 Office Norway House, MB R0B 1B0 Telephone: 204-359-6711 Fax: 204-359-6897

Also see *Towards Inclusion: Tapping Hidden Strengths: Planning for Students Who Are Alcohol-Affected* (Manitoba Education, Training and Youth).

**Journal/Learning Log: All Activities**

Teacher Assessment: Inventory

Have students discuss how they and/or others are influenced by culture, peers, the media, and social factors.

**Suggested Criteria:**

Observe whether the student is able to identify the following influences on self and/or others related to substance use and abuse:

- peers
- culture
- media
- social factors
Using overhead transparencies, review the male and female reproductive systems. Have students label diagrams of the male and female reproductive systems.

Refer to BLMs G–10 (a–d): Reproductive System Diagrams.

List various terms related to the structure and function of the human reproductive and endocrine systems. Have students use dictionaries or Appendix I: Glossary to define the terms and share the information with a partner. Ask each pair to design a crossword puzzle or a word-search to give to other groups. Refer to Appendix I: Glossary for definitions of terms related to human sexuality.

After students have watched a video or other appropriate materials related to the reproductive and endocrine systems, have students complete a questionnaire to help them understand the structure and function of the systems.
The learning activities for this outcome include potentially sensitive content. Before implementation, check with the school administration for school/division/district guidelines and procedures related to providing a parental option.

For more information, see Planning for Potentially Sensitive Content in the Overview of this document.

Decisions regarding the use of the Reproductive System Diagrams are to be made at the local school/division/district level.

The Health Promotion Unit of the Government of Yukon has developed *Choices and Changes* (Evans, Wackett, and Turner), a sexual health education program about healthy relationships, puberty, sexuality and the media, contraception, sexually transmitted diseases, abuse, gender roles, personal space, and sexuality. The *Choices and Changes* program can be downloaded from <http://www.yukonhealth.com/>. Copies of *Choices and Changes* can be borrowed at no cost from Canadian Public Health Association—Canadian HIV/AIDS Clearinghouse 1565 Carling Avenue, Suite 400 Ottawa, ON K1Z 8R1 Toll free: 1-877-999-7740 Telephone: 613-725-3434 Fax: 613-725-1205 Email: aidssida@cpha.ca Website: <http://www.clearinghouse.cpha.ca>

For lesson plans on puberty, see The Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada website: <http://www.sexualityandu.ca>.

See Appendix I: Glossary for definitions of terms related to human sexuality.

See also *Beyond the Basics: A Sourcebook on Sexual and Reproductive Health Education*, produced by The Planned Parenthood Federation of Canada <http://www.ppfc.ca>.

For other topic-related resources, consult *Human Sexuality and Sexual Orientation: A Bibliography*, 2002, available online from the Instructional Resources Unit (Library), Manitoba Education and Youth: <http://libinfo.merlin.mb.ca/publications>.

Contact a local public health nurse or health authority for additional information.
Puberty Profile

As a class, discuss the question, “What is puberty?” Write ideas on chart paper. Make a list of physical changes associated with puberty (e.g., growth of body hair, changes in body shape, hormones, acne, body odour, menstruation, erection, ejaculation, emissions, use of sanitary products). In groups, students can use a Venn diagram to compare the changes that occur in males, females, and both sexes.

Personal Hygiene

Discuss the importance of personal hygiene practices (e.g., using deodorant, using sanitary products, bathing/showering regularly, changing clothing and bed linens).

Change Categories

Have students identify physical changes associated with puberty that happen only to females, those that happen only to males, and those that occur in both. Have students classify the changes with the appropriate letters:

- **B** = a change for both males and females
- **M** = a change for males only
- **F** = a change for females only

Have students complete BLM 5–12 on their own and then discuss their answers with a partner. Discuss students’ answers as a class.

Refer to BLM 5–12: Puberty Changes.
The learning activities for this outcome include potentially sensitive content. Before implementation, check with the school administration for school/division/district guidelines and procedures related to providing a parental option.

Puberty represents a period of time when the bodies of males and females develop and become fertile. The changes of puberty include social-emotional changes, physical growth and development, and sexual development:

- **Social-emotional changes** are related to interpersonal relationships and personal emotions.
- **Primary growth changes** are related specifically to male and female reproductive systems and development of the genitals.
- **Secondary growth changes** (e.g., growth of pubic hair, growth of facial hair for males, widening of the hips for females) occur in both males and females.

To assist with this learning outcome, look for videos, kits, and other resources available from public health organizations.

Also consult *Human Sexuality and Sexual Orientation: A Bibliography, 2002*, available online from the Instructional Resources Unit (Library), Manitoba Education and Youth: <http://libinfo.merlin.mb.ca/publications>.

**Paper and Pencil Task: All Activities**

Teacher Assessment: Checklist

Have students list changes that a male experiences during puberty, changes that a female experiences, and changes that occur in both sexes.

**Suggested Criterion:**

The student is able to list changes for each of the three categories.

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

**Journal/Learning Log: Puberty Profile**

Teacher Assessment: Checklist

Ask students to respond, in their journals, to the following questions:

1. What is puberty?
2. What hygiene practices are necessary during puberty?

**Suggested Criteria:**

The student is able to

- [ ] list changes associated with puberty
- [ ] discuss the importance of personal hygiene practices

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**SUGGESTIONS FOR ASSESSMENT**

**Grade 5: Healthy Lifestyle Practices—Knowledge**
Ask students: “Did you know that your genes determine whether or not you possess certain physical traits? Well, they do. It’s your genes that make you blue-eyed or brown-eyed, and determine whether you have brown hair or blond hair. These traits are highly complex and involve the interaction of many genes. However, several traits are determined by only one gene. If you have the gene, then you have the trait.”

Examples of Hereditary Traits:

- **Tongue Rolling:** Can you roll your tongue into a U-shape? Try it. If you can, then you possess the dominant gene. If you can’t, then you have two recessive genes.
- **Attached Earlobes:** Have a partner examine your earlobes. If they hang free at the bottom, you have the dominant gene. If they are attached, you have the recessive gene.
- **Interlocking Fingers:** Fold your hands together by interlocking your fingers. Which thumb is on top? If the left is on top, you have the dominant gene. If the right is on top, you have the recessive gene.
- **Dimples:** Dimples indicate a dominant gene.
- **Freckles:** Freckles indicate a dominant gene.
- **Widow’s Peak:** A hairline shaped in a downward “V” indicates a dominant gene.
Treat this learning outcome with sensitivity, as some students may not know their birth parents or may be adopted.

Humans have 23 pairs of chromosomes—the mother supplies 23 chromosomes to the ovum and the father supplies 23 chromosomes to the sperm. A gene carries information about a trait (e.g., eye colour). The nature of the trait is determined by one gene from each of the two chromosomes.

The father has the chromosome that determines the sex of a baby.

Integration Link:
Students can investigate to compare the incidence of the genetic markers, representing findings on graphs.

Questioning/Interview: Identity Markers
Teacher Assessment: Anecdotal Notes
Ask students to describe how heredity influences growth and characteristics that contribute to personal identity.

Suggested Criterion:
The student
☐ is able to describe how a person inherits various genetic characteristics from each of the birth parents
**PRESCRIBED LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Students will...

- **K.5.5.E.2** Identify the social-emotional changes associated with puberty (e.g., sexual attraction, fluctuation of moods, insecurities...).

Curricular Connections

**ELA:**
- GLO 1—Explore thoughts, ideas, feelings, and experiences.
- GLO 5—Celebrate and build community.

**PE/HE:**
- GLO 5—Healthy Lifestyle Practices (K.5.5.E.1b)

**SC:**
- Cluster 1—Maintaining a Healthy Body

**SUGGESTIONS FOR INSTRUCTION**

♦ **Mood Swings**

Discuss social-emotional changes associated with puberty:
- sexual attraction/sex drive
- mood swings
- insecurities
- looking for acceptance from others
- trying to conform with peers
- the need to make more personal decisions

Have students develop a list of social-emotional problems, with the help of a family member.

Use BLM 5–12: Puberty Changes to identify various changes for both sexes.

♦ **Interview: Talking about Changes**

Using the Talking about Changes questionnaire, have students interview one adult to discuss issues related to puberty.

Refer to BLM 5–13: Talking about Changes Interview.

♦ **Influential Images**

Discuss the term “stereotype” with respect to current media images of males and females. Ask students to bring to class names or pictures of the “stereotypical” female and male. Explain the characteristics each person has to make him or her a stereotypical male or female. On the following day, have students bring pictures or names of female and male figures who are the opposite of the stereotypical male and female. List what characteristics each person has to make him or her a non-stereotypical male or female.

♦ **Media Messages**

Ask students to brainstorm the messages that the media send young people with respect to sexuality and gender roles. Have students record specific media messages they see and hear on television advertisements or read in magazine advertisements. Discuss students’ observations and reactions to the media messages.
Many social-emotional changes occur in both males and females throughout puberty. Puberty can be a time of great stress and insecurity because the individual experiences so many bodily changes. Moods often shift quickly and unpredictably. At times, students will shift from mature behaviour to childish behaviour. Relationships with parents are also often strained as students assert their independence. Encourage students to talk to a trusted adult or friend about what they are experiencing. Keeping a journal is also a useful tool to use for self-expression.

Teachers are encouraged to review or teach the proper techniques for the interview process.

Treat this topic with sensitivity, showing consideration of others at all times.

A stereotype is a generalization about the way a group of people looks, acts, or behaves.

It is important to allow students to form their own opinions on what kinds of messages the media send to youth.

♦ Journal/Learning Log: Mood Swings
Teacher Assessment: Anecdotal Notes
Have students write, in their journals, about three social-emotional changes associated with puberty. Ask them to discuss ways in which these changes may personally affect them.

Suggested Criterion:
The student
☐ is able to identify three social-emotional changes associated with puberty

♦ Observation: Influential Images
Teacher Assessment: Checklist
Observe whether the student is able to identify key influences on sexuality and gender roles.
☐ Yes
☐ No
**Prescribed Learning Outcomes**

Students will...

- **K.5.5.E.3b** Identify how social and cultural influences affect sexuality and gender roles (i.e., similarities and differences, such as cultural rituals and traditions).

**Curricular Connections**

**ELA:**
- GLO 1—Explore thoughts, ideas, feelings, and experiences.
- GLO 3—Manage ideas and information.
- GLO 4—Enhance the clarity and artistry of communication.
- GLO 5—Celebrate and build community.

**PE/HE:**
- GLO 5—Healthy Lifestyle Practices (K.5.5.E.3a)

**SS:**
- Identity, Culture, and Community

**Historical Connections**

- **K.5.5.E.3c** Identify the responsibilities (e.g., change clothing for physical activities, bathe frequently, use deodorant, use sanitary products, respect private spaces, keep personal matters private, show consideration for others, respect differences, do not ridicule...) associated with physical, social, and emotional changes during puberty (e.g., body odour, menstruation, erections, emissions, peer pressure, social etiquette, insecurity...).

**Curricular Connections**

**ELA:**
- GLO 1—Explore thoughts, ideas, feelings, and experiences.
- GLO 4—Enhance the clarity and artistry of communication.
- GLO 5—Celebrate and build community.

**PE/HE:**
- GLO 3—Safety

**SC:**
- Cluster 1—Maintaining a Healthy Body

**Suggestions for Instruction**

- **Tree of Culture**
  Discuss definitions/examples of sexuality and gender roles, and the cultural influences that affect sexuality and gender roles. Have students fill out a Tree of Culture individually, each branch representing a specific cultural influence. Emphasize that every tree will be different.

- **Cultural Comparison**
  After discussing how social and cultural influences affect sexuality and gender roles (e.g., mother/father, male-/female-oriented jobs, clothing/fashion), have students choose three different cultures to research. Ask them to determine similarities and differences regarding sexuality and gender roles. Have each group present their research to the class. Have the class members keep a running list of different cultural and social influences affecting sexuality and gender roles.

- **My Responsibilities**
  Have students list their personal responsibilities associated with physical, social, and emotional changes that occur during puberty. Ask students to create a cartoon strip to represent key responsibilities associated with physical, social, and emotional changes that occur during puberty. The cartoon should explain how to deal with (any number of) changes during puberty.

- **Guest Speaker**
  Invite a guest speaker (e.g., public health nurse, actor, parents, counsellor) to outline the responsibilities associated with physical, social, and emotional changes experienced during puberty. Invite parents/guardians to attend and/or have students write a report to share with parents/guardians.
Teacher Notes

Not all families/cultures value the same things. It is important to respect differences and to celebrate diversity.

Treat this topic with sensitivity. To neutralize the topic or make it less personal, choose stories or books about how social and cultural influences affect sexuality and gender roles.

For topic-related resources, consult *Human Sexuality and Sexual Orientation: A Bibliography, 2002*, available online from the Instructional Resources Unit (Library), Manitoba Education and Youth: <http://libinfo.merlin.mb.ca/publications>.

SUGGESTIONS FOR ASSESSMENT

♦ **Observation: Cultural Comparison**
Teacher Assessment: Checklist

Investigations could be assessed using a student- or teacher-made checklist that reflects appropriate learning outcomes from the English language arts and social studies curricula.

♦ **Journal/Learning Log: My Responsibilities**
Self-Assessment: Checklist

Ask students to discuss their personal responsibilities related to the changes that occur during puberty.

**Suggested Criterion:**

The student is able to identify responsibilities associated with physical, social, and emotional changes during puberty.

☐ Yes
☐ No

Teachers are encouraged to involve parents, families, and communities, where possible.
Students will...

- **K.5.5.E.4a Identify characteristics** (e.g., transmitted through sexual activity and contact with body fluids; may be fatal...) and **effects of HIV and AIDS on the immune system** (e.g., destroys specific white cells...).

### Curricular Connections

**ELA:**
- GLO 3—Manage ideas and information.
- GLO 4—Enhance the clarity and artistry of communication.
- GLO 5—Celebrate and build community.

**SC:**
- Cluster 1—Maintaining a Healthy Body

### Suggestions for Instruction

#### Facts Only

Provide students with a variety of pamphlets, brochures, articles, and any other appropriate resources about HIV and AIDS. Alternatively, have students read a book or view a video on HIV/AIDS. Ask each student to list facts about HIV/AIDS using the various resources. Have students share their facts with a group of four, combine their lists, and then present their information to the class. Create one comprehensive list from all the groups.

#### Ask the Expert

Invite a medical specialist to talk to the class about characteristics and effects of HIV/AIDS on the immune system.
SUGGESTIONS FOR ASSESSMENT

♦ Questioning: Facts Only
Teacher Assessment: Inventory
Read a variety of statements about HIV/AIDS and have students hold up a card to indicate whether each statement is true or false.

Examples of True Statements:
- HIV/AIDS can be passed from one person to another during sexual intercourse.
- Pregnant women can pass the HIV/AIDS virus to their unborn children.
- AIDS stands for acquired immune deficiency syndrome.
- The HIV/AIDS virus makes the immune system weak.
- At the present time, there is no cure for AIDS.

Examples of False Statements:
- You can get HIV/AIDS from using a public toilet.
- Mostly men get HIV/AIDS.
- The only way to get HIV/AIDS is by having sex.
- You can get HIV/AIDS by donating your blood.

Suggested Criterion:
Look for
☐ the number of correct responses

For additional information, check the websites of
• Health Canada: <http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca>
• Canadian Public Health Association—Canadian HIV/AIDS Clearinghouse: <http://www.clearinghouse.cpha.ca>

HIV is transmitted through
• unprotected sex with an infected partner
• needle sharing (e.g., illegal drug use, ear piercing, tattooing)
• infected mother to fetus
• infected breast milk

Contracting hepatitis C is also a danger through transmission of body fluids in practices such as ear piercing and tattooing.

Ear piercing and tattooing should only be done in certified establishments. It is best to check with a local public health office to find certified establishments.

For topic-related resources, consult Human Sexuality and Sexual Orientation: A Bibliography, 2002, available online from the Instructional Resources Unit (Library), Manitoba Education and Youth: <http://libinfo.merlin.mb.ca/publications>. 
Prescribed Learning Outcomes

Students will...

- **S.5.5.A.4** Apply strategies (i.e., using the decision-making model, practising saying “no,” walking away, getting help from a safe adult) for preventing or avoiding substance use and abuse (e.g., tobacco, alcohol, street drugs, performance-enhancing drugs, sniffing...) in different case scenarios.

  **Curricular Connections**
  **ELA:**
  GLO 3—Manage ideas and information.
  GLO 4—Enhance the clarity and artistry of communication.
  GLO 5—Celebrate and build community.
  **PE/HE:**
  GLO 3—Safety
  GLO 4—Personal and Social Management (K.4.5.A.2b, K.4.5.A.3)
  **SC:**
  Cluster 1—Maintaining a Healthy Body

- **S.5.5.A.5** Apply a decision-making process in case scenarios related to issues associated with puberty (e.g., timing of physical changes, teasing related to different developmental rates, being discreet, respecting privacy of others, being sexually active, showing affection...).

  **Curricular Connections**
  **ELA:**
  GLO 3—Manage ideas and information.
  GLO 4—Enhance the clarity and artistry of communication.
  GLO 5—Celebrate and build community.
  **PE/HE:**
  GLO 4—Personal and Social Management (K.4.5.B.4, S.4.5.A.2)
  **SC:**
  Cluster 1—Maintaining a Healthy Body

Suggestions for Instruction

- **Real-Life Practice**
  Have students work in groups to develop a role-play, a dramatic skit, or a written script that demonstrates the use of strategies (e.g., using a decision-making/problem-solving model, saying “no,” being assertive, getting help from an adult) for preventing or avoiding substance use and abuse. Encourage students to seek current statistical information related to their case scenarios.

  **Suggested Role-Play Situations:**
  - You are feeling very sick at school and a friend encourages you to use his or her medication.
  - A friend tells you that you could improve your performance on the team by 60% if you took a steroid that he or she assures you is safe.
  - You are offered a beer at a friend’s house when the parents are not home.
  - Your best friend offers you a cigarette.
  - Your friend tells you to sniff gas to experience the “high of your life.”

- **Real-Life Practice**
  Have students work in groups of four to develop a role-play, a dramatic skit, or a written script that demonstrates the use of the decision-making process in case scenarios associated with puberty.

  **Sample Situations:**
  - Your friend is feeling worried because he or she has not yet shown any signs of starting puberty.
  - You want to let someone know that you find him or her very attractive.
  - Three people in your class are constantly teasing you about how small you are.
  - You are changing for physical education class and your classmates are making fun of someone in your class who is more developed physically.
**Resistance Strategies:**
- Change the subject.
- Give alternatives.
- Give reasons.
- Use humour.
- Say “no” consistently.
- Leave.

For information on fetal alcohol syndrome, see
- *Making the Right Choice: A Grade 5-8 Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Prevention Curriculum* (Thordarson and Braun 13–100)

For other resources, consult *Substance Abuse Prevention: A Bibliography, May 2002*, available from the Instructional Resources Unit (Library), Manitoba Education and Youth: <http://libinfo.merlin.mb.ca/publications>.

Many different problem-solving and decision-making models exist. The following DECIDE model (suggested on page 112 of the Framework) includes and supports health knowledge and the values and beliefs of family, religion, and community:
- **Define** the topic or issues.
- **Explore** alternatives or options.
- **Check** alternatives against sound, relevant health knowledge and values—family, church, school, and community.
- **Identify** possible solutions.
- **Decide** and take action.
- **Evaluate** and revise.

**SUGGESTIONS FOR ASSESSMENT**

♦ **Observation: Real-Life Practice**
Teacher Assessment: Checklist

Observe students for effective use of decision-making/problem-solving strategies in their role-play, skit, or script.

**Suggested Criteria:**

1. The student is able to demonstrate the use of decision-making/problem-solving strategies in case scenarios that focus on avoiding substance use and abuse.
   - Yes
   - No

2. The student uses some research data, if applicable, in the presentation.
   - Yes
   - No
   - N/A

**TEACHER NOTES (continued)**

**Community Link:**
Have students explore local health issues and examine statistical data, support and services applicable to their community or region, and prevention strategies.

♦ **Observation: Real-Life Practice**
Teacher Assessment: Rating Scale

Observe students for the proper application of the decision-making process in case scenarios related to issues associated with puberty.

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Healthy Lifestyle Practices Outcomes: Grade 5

### Knowledge

- **K.5.5.A.3** Examine dental hygiene practices and dental services (e.g., cleaning, fillings, root canals, fluoride treatment, braces, extractions...) for the prevention of plaque buildup, bad breath, tooth decay, and/or dental disease.
- **K.5.5.D.1** Distinguish between medicinal and non-medicinal substances and their appropriate use (e.g., prescription drugs from a doctor to treat an illness rather than drugs obtained illegally; vitamins to meet daily requirements, ventilators/puffers for asthma, EpiPens for allergies; over-the-counter drugs used for health reasons rather than for performance enhancement...).
- **K.5.5.D.2** Describe effects and consequences of substance use (e.g., alcohol and tobacco, street drugs...) on body systems (e.g., alcohol affects the brain, liver, and nervous system; alcohol affects fetal development in a pregnant woman; tobacco and smoke affect the respiratory and circulatory systems; street drugs change a person’s behaviour and cause harmful physical effects and may cause death...).
- **K.5.5.D.3** Identify peer, cultural, media, and social influences related to substance use and abuse (e.g., dares from friends; pressure to belong to a group; attractive portrayals through advertisements/television/videos; family/cultural/religious values; peer pressure from groups and gangs; alcoholics or smokers in the family...).

### Skills

- **S.5.5.A.4** Apply strategies (i.e., using the decision-making model, practising saying “no,” walking away, getting help from a safe adult) for preventing or avoiding substance use and abuse (e.g., tobacco, alcohol, street drugs, performance-enhancing drugs, sniffing...) in different case scenarios.
- **S.5.5.A.5** Apply a decision-making process in case scenarios related to issues associated with puberty (e.g., timing of physical changes, teasing related to different developmental rates, being discreet, respecting privacy of others, being sexually active, showing affection...).

### Attitude Indicators

1. Appreciate and value the benefits of healthy lifestyle practices for a healthy body.
2. Appreciate the importance of making health-enhancing decisions in daily living.
3. Appreciate the responsibilities and commitment associated with developing healthy relationships.