

Project #4—How Can You Tell If Someone Is an Alcoholic?

Introduction

Amy isn't sure whether or not Takashi is an alcoholic, and neither is the doctor. How do you know when someone is an alcoholic or addicted?

Task

Your task is to make a poster with information to help people to decide when it might be important to seek help for problems with alcohol.

Skills

Critical thinking, research, note taking, working in a group, making presentations

Process

1. Review the case study.
2. Discuss the following in a group: Does anyone in the group know someone who is an alcoholic? Does anyone have training or work experience with people who are alcoholics? Share knowledge with the group.
3. Have group members share ideas on how they might begin to determine if someone has a problem with alcoholism. How do you know when you have had too much to drink and are drunk? Talk about the problem of alcoholism in your state and in your country. Is it a big problem?
4. Go to the Project Care website (<http://projectcare.worlded.org/alcoholism/information.html#project4>). You will find helpful information that you can use in your project.
5. Make discussion questions to ask the class. Make questions that ask students to share their own knowledge, experiences, and opinions.
6. Make a poster. Each student makes a section of the poster.
7. Give your work to the teacher to check so that you can revise it if necessary.
8. Present the poster to the class.