

A drug is any substance, except food and water, which, when taken into the body, changes the way the body works. (World Health Organisation)

Drugs which affect someone's central nervous system (CNS) and alter their thinking or way they behave, are called *psychoactive drugs*. These drugs can be put into four groups.

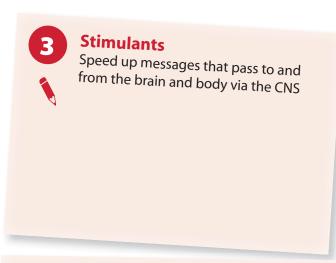
Write down the drugs you know and where you think they may fit

Depressants

Slow down messages that pass to and from the brain and body via the CNS

Hallucinogens
The user may see, hear or smell things in a strange way

Any drug has the potential to cause harm



These may have several effects on the body

Multi-action

