

MYTH

? OR ?

REALITY

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Slang Terms for Methamphetamine

meth

ice

glass

speed

crank

crystal

christy

snot

tweak

go-fast

go

zip

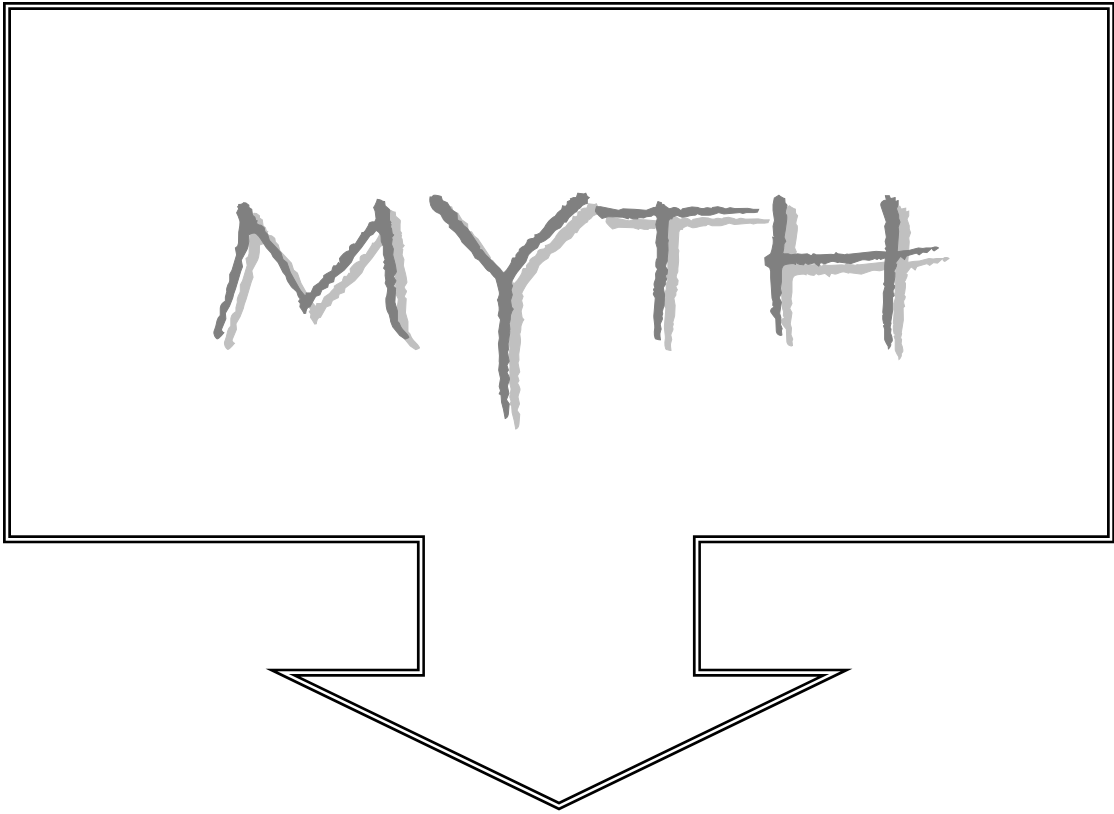
zoom

jet fuel

rocket fuel

chalk

uppers





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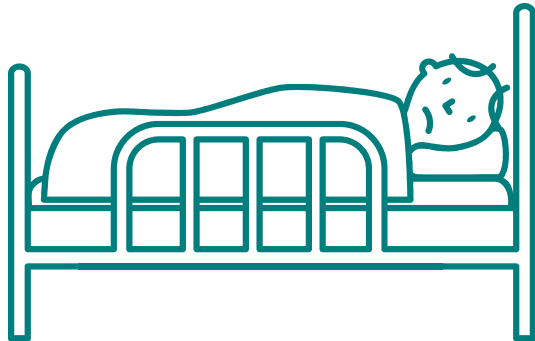
METHAMPHETAMINE



INCREASES A
PERSON'S
STRENGTH AND
ENDURANCE

While meth gives the user a *sense* or *feeling* of energy... it does not increase one's physical strength or endurance.

The feeling of energy from meth is usually followed by a "crash" where the user feels tired and sluggish



and may sleep for extended periods of time.

METH IS

SAFER AND

LESS ADDICTIVE

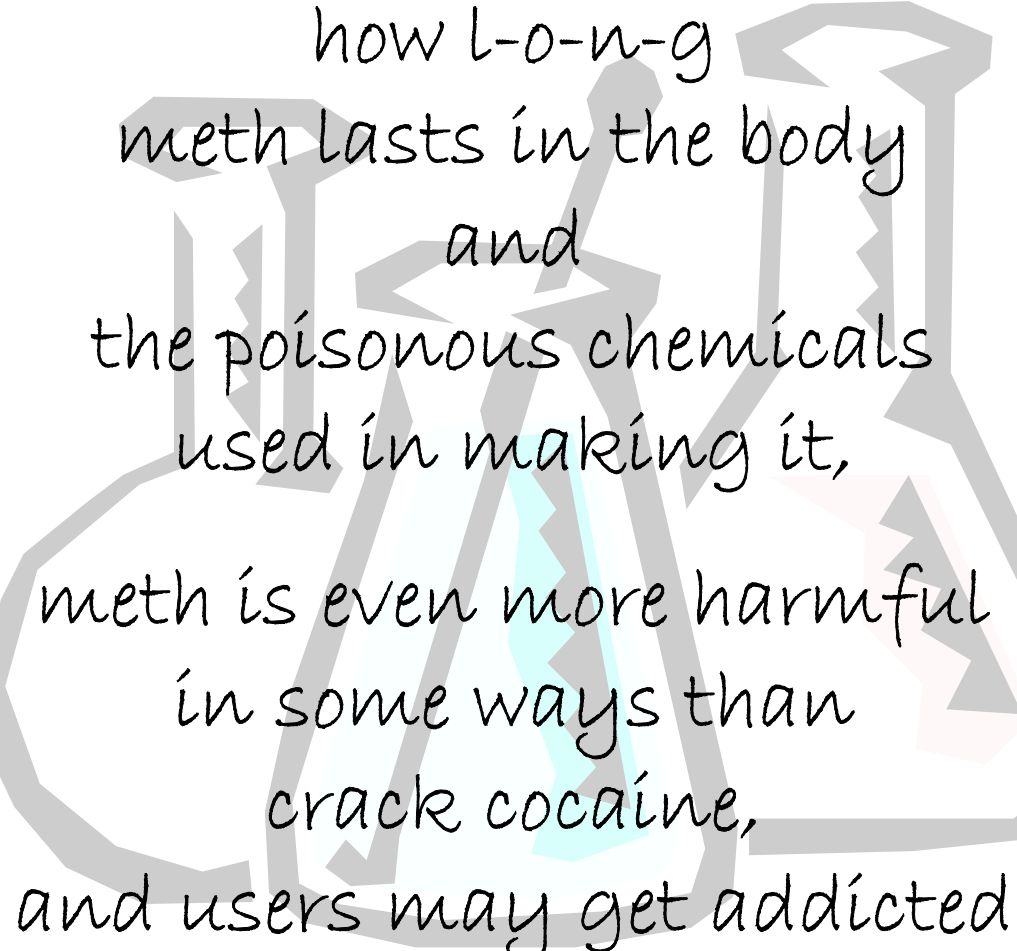
THAN 'HARD'

DRUGS LIKE

CRACK

COCAINE





Partly due to
how long
meth lasts in the body
and
the poisonous chemicals
used in making it,
meth is even more harmful
in some ways than
crack cocaine,
and users may get addicted
more quickly.

METHAMPHETAMINE
MAKES PEOPLE...



DEPRESSED,
NERVOUS
AND
PARANOID



Meth users often feel
depressed and irritable
as the drug wears off.



It is common for regular
meth users to feel anxious
and paranoid at this stage.*!

Heavy users can easily
become violent for no real
reason.



METHAMPHETAMINE
IS ILLEGAL
IN ALL STATES EXCEPT

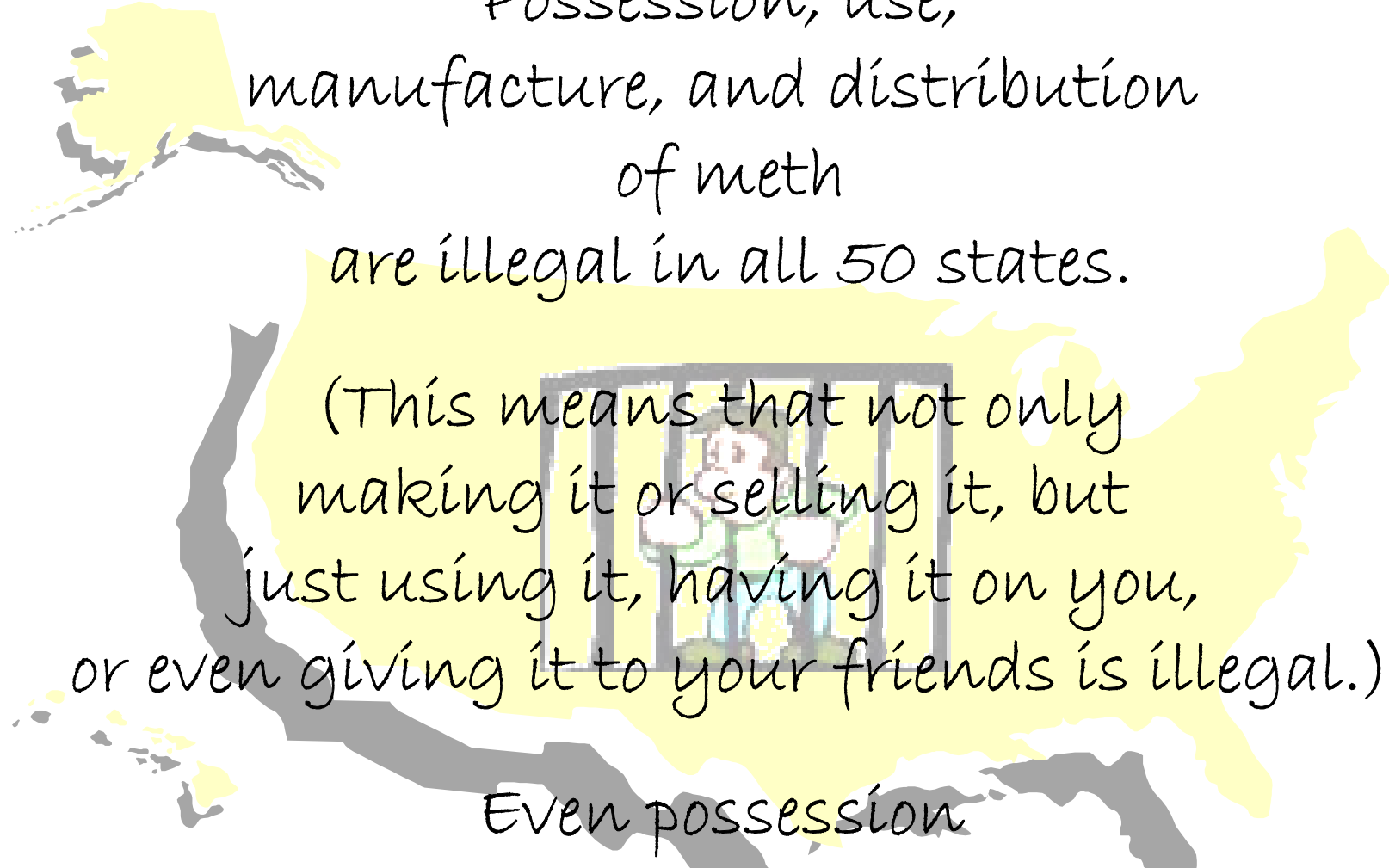
California



and



New York



Possession, use,
manufacture, and distribution
of meth
are illegal in all 50 states.

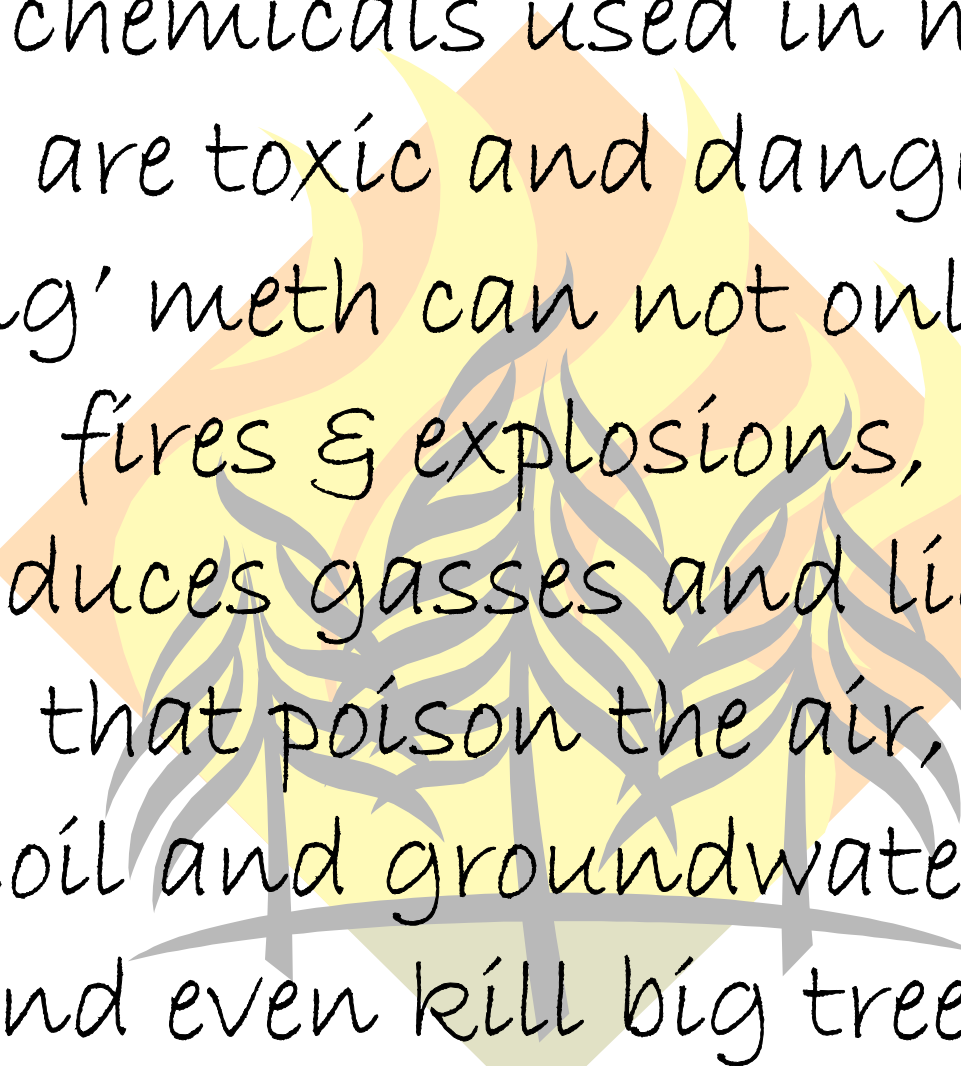
(This means that not only
making it or selling it, but
just using it, having it on you,
or even giving it to your friends is illegal.)

Even possession
of a small amount
is a felony.

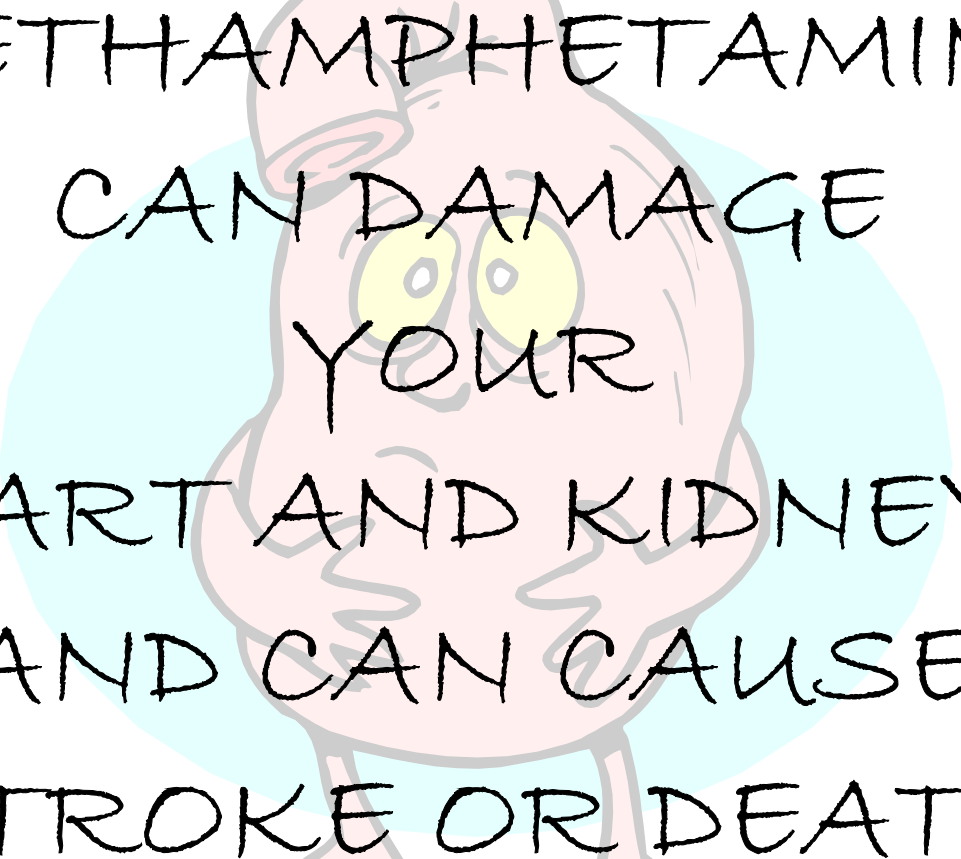
COOKING METH HARMS THE ENVIRONMENT --



AIR,
WATER,
TREES,
ANIMALS



Many chemicals used in making meth are toxic and dangerous. 'Cooking' meth can not only cause fires & explosions, it produces gasses and liquids that poison the air, soil and groundwater, and even kill big trees.



METHAMPHETAMINE
CAN DAMAGE
YOUR
HEART AND KIDNEYS,
AND CAN CAUSE
STROKE OR DEATH

Meth can drastically increase your heart rate, blood pressure, and body temperature.

Large doses can lead to overheating, convulsions, stroke and heart attack, which can cause death.

Long-term use leads to kidney and heart damage.

METH ONLY AFFECTS

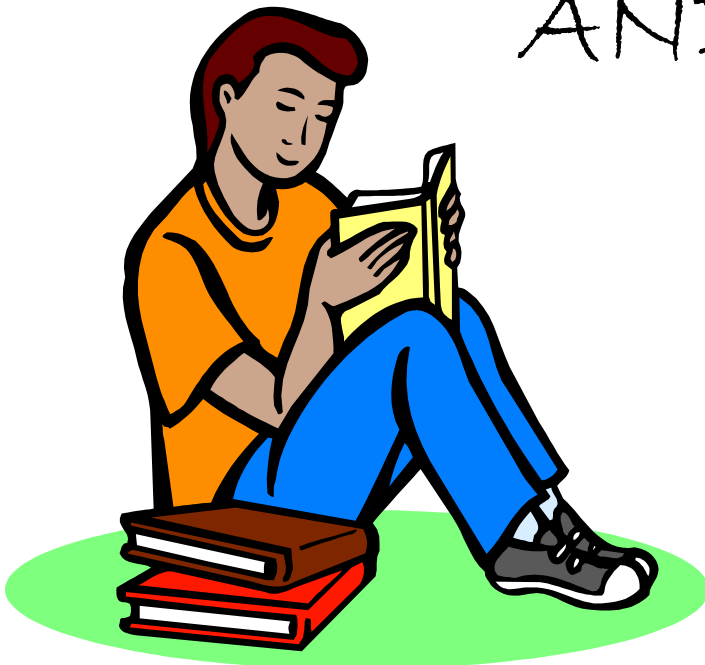
YOUR MIND

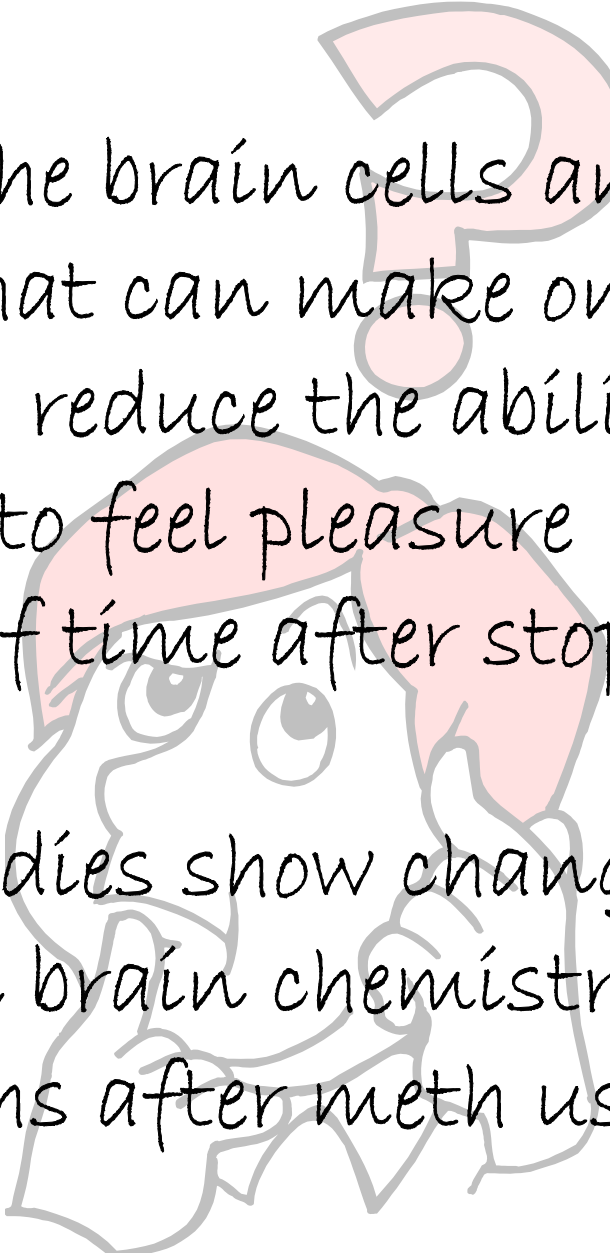
AND YOUR BRAIN

WHILE

YOU

ARE ON IT



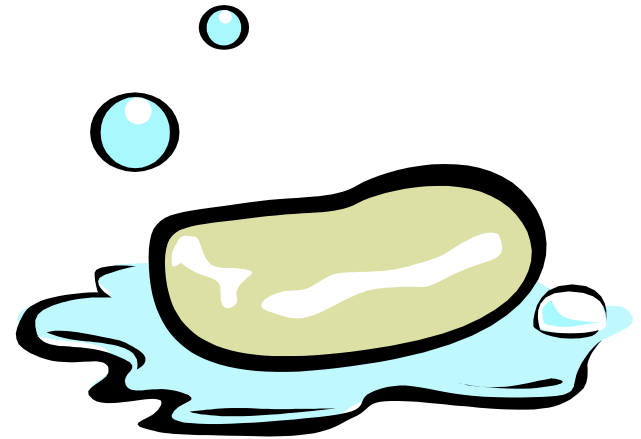


Meth affects the brain cells and chemistry
in a way that can make one irritable
and reduce the ability
to feel pleasure
for a period of time after stopping meth.

Studies show changes
in brain chemistry
several months after meth use is stopped.

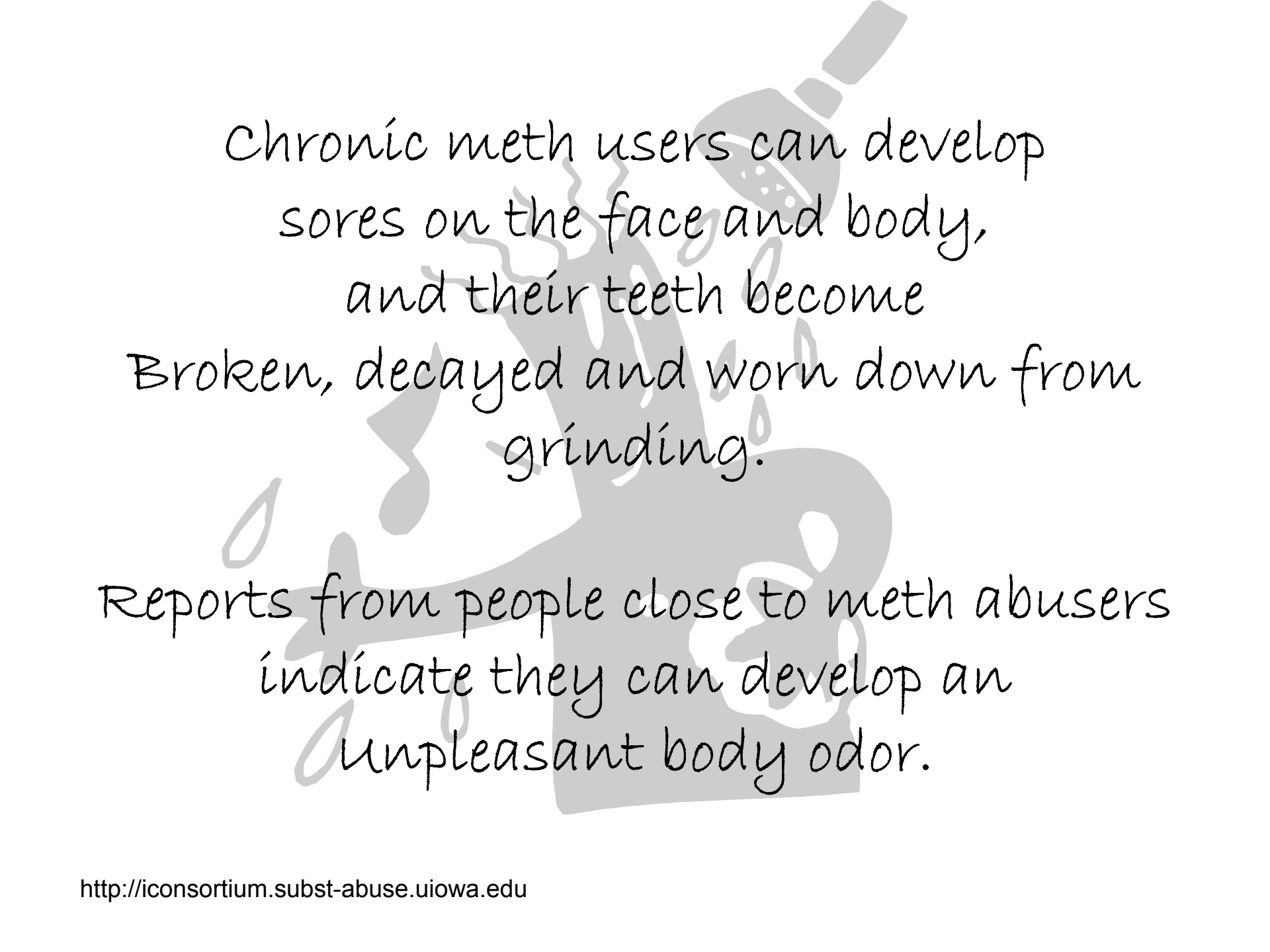
AS LONG AS A REGULAR
METH USER
SHOWERS AND
BRUSHES HIS/HER TEETH,

HE/SHE WON'T
SMELL BAD OR
LOOK BAD



FROM USING METH





Chronic meth users can develop sores on the face and body, and their teeth become Broken, decayed and worn down from grinding.

Reports from people close to meth abusers indicate they can develop an unpleasant body odor.