The facts about Ecstasy

What does ecstasy do to people?

This drug gives people energy. Some people who take ecstasy say it makes them more friendly.

Ecstasy makes people feel very hot, which can make a person seriously ill if they take this drug:

- in a hot place, such as a night club;
- when they are doing something that makes them hot, such as dancing. Some young people have died after taking this drug and becoming too hot. Ecstasy can also cause people to become very unhappy two or three days after they take it. This is because of the way this drug affects the brain.

What does ecstasy look like?

It looks like a pill and comes in different colours like white, pink and brown. It often has a picture on it.

How do people take ecstasy? It is swallowed.

Other names for ecstasy

It is also called E. This drug often gets new names.

How much does ecstasy cost? It costs £3-£8 for a pill.

Is it legal?

No. It is against the law to have ecstasy on you (for example, in your pockets) or in your house. It is also illegal to sell or give ecstasy to anyone, even friends.

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