

## What is it?

- -Cocaine is an extremely powerful central nervous system stimulant, or "upper."
- -Cocaine acts directly on the brain's "pleasure centers," which causes changes in brain activity.
- -People often use cocaine to change their moods and mental state.

## **Side Effects**

- -Increased body temperature, heart rate, and blood pressure
- -Headaches
- -Abdominal pain and nausea
- -Decreased appetite
- -Irritability, restlessness, anxiety, and paranoia
- -Paranoid psychosis (loss of touch with reality and auditory hallucinations)
- -Loss of smell, nosebleeds, and a chronically runny nose

## Other Names

- -Coke
- -Snow
- -Blow
- -Snowball

## COCAINE

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