HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW ABOUT SYNTHETIC DRUGS?

**Part 1:** Use the information from the article “Not Fit for Human Consumption” to answer the questions below about synthetic drugs and their effects.

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1. Synthetic drugs made in illegal _________________ can contain chemicals _______________ to act like other drugs.

2. One reason synthetic drugs are dangerous is they often have added chemicals that make them more ________________.

3. ________________ and ________________ are drugs made of dried plant leaves sprayed with synthetic ________________ that can cause dangerous health problems, including heart attacks.

4. ________________ is the main active ingredient in marijuana.

5. Like the stimulant drugs they mimic, ________________ contain chemicals called cathinones, which can cause hallucinations, paranoia, and a dangerous increase in heart rate.

6. ________________ prescription medications sold on the street have been found to contain hidden amounts of the powerful synthetic opioid ________________.

7. The producers of illegal synthetic drugs sometimes package the drugs with labels that are ________________.

8. Both legitimate and illegal synthetic opioids can pose a high risk for ________________ and ________________.

**Part 2:** Use the information in the article and your own Internet research from reliable sources to create a poster, flyer, or meme warning other teens about the dangers of synthetic drugs.

**Points to consider:** What images can you use to grab the reader’s attention? What important facts do you think people need to know? What advice would you give teens about synthetic drugs?