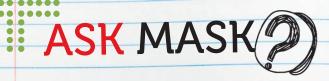
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Q: My friends are starting to smoke weed and they are pressuring me to join in. I want to say no, but I still want them to be my friends. I don't know what to do.

- Nate, 8th grade; Aurora, Colorado

A: Nate, a great response would be "I can't because my family drug tests". This deflects it to what your parents are doing, not what you are doing.

Q: Is vaping really bad?

- Maddie, 7th grade; Tucson, Arizona

A: People think vaping isn't as bad as smoking, but studies have shown e-cigarette vapor can contain cancer-causing formaldehyde at levels up to 15 times higher than regular cigarettes.

Q: I really don't know what to do. My friends are starting to sneak alcohol from their parents. I still want them to be my friends, but I don't want to do that stuff. What should I do?

- Nia, 8th grade; Austin, Texas

A: I know sometimes these things are really hard, but to be a good friend you should tell a trusted adult what's going on. It's better to be safe than sorry.

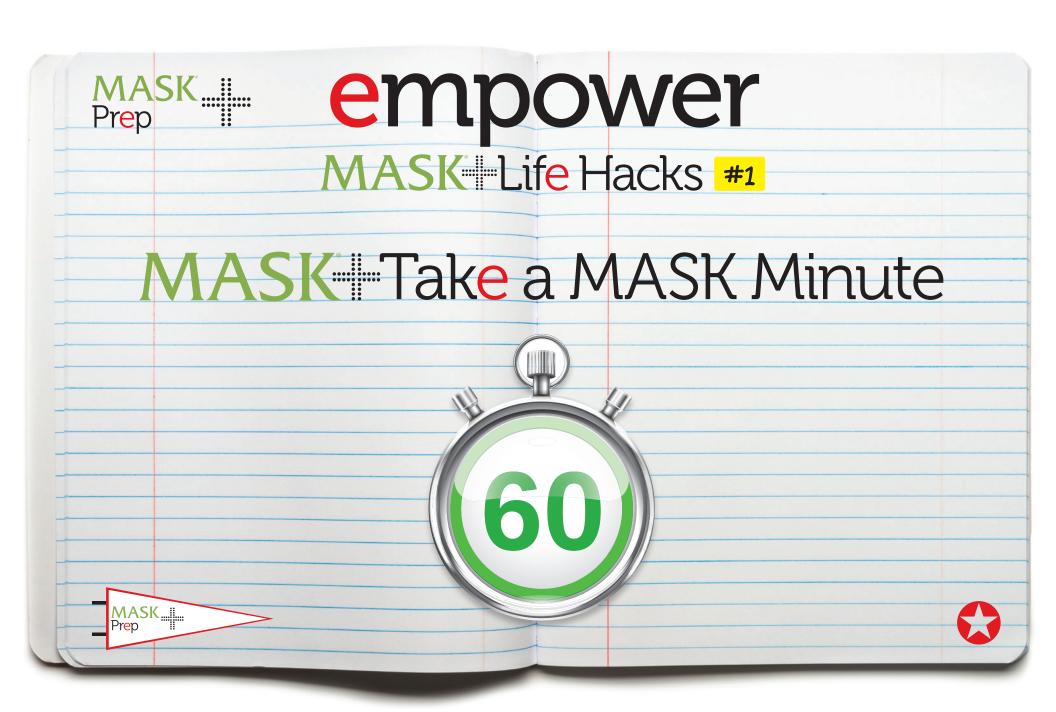
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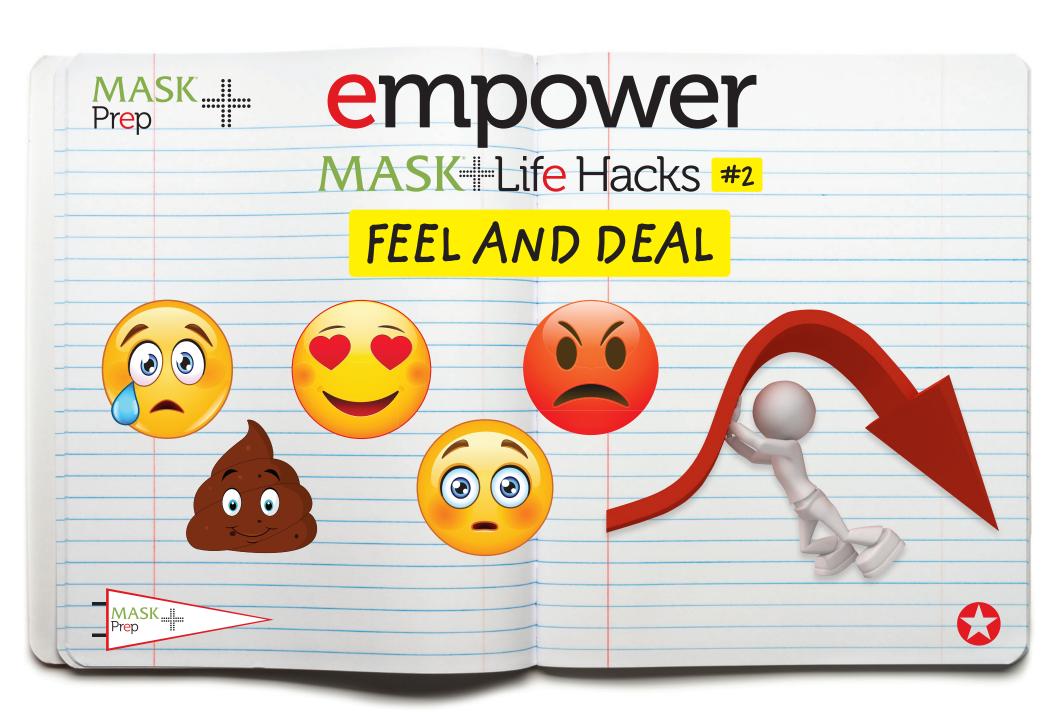
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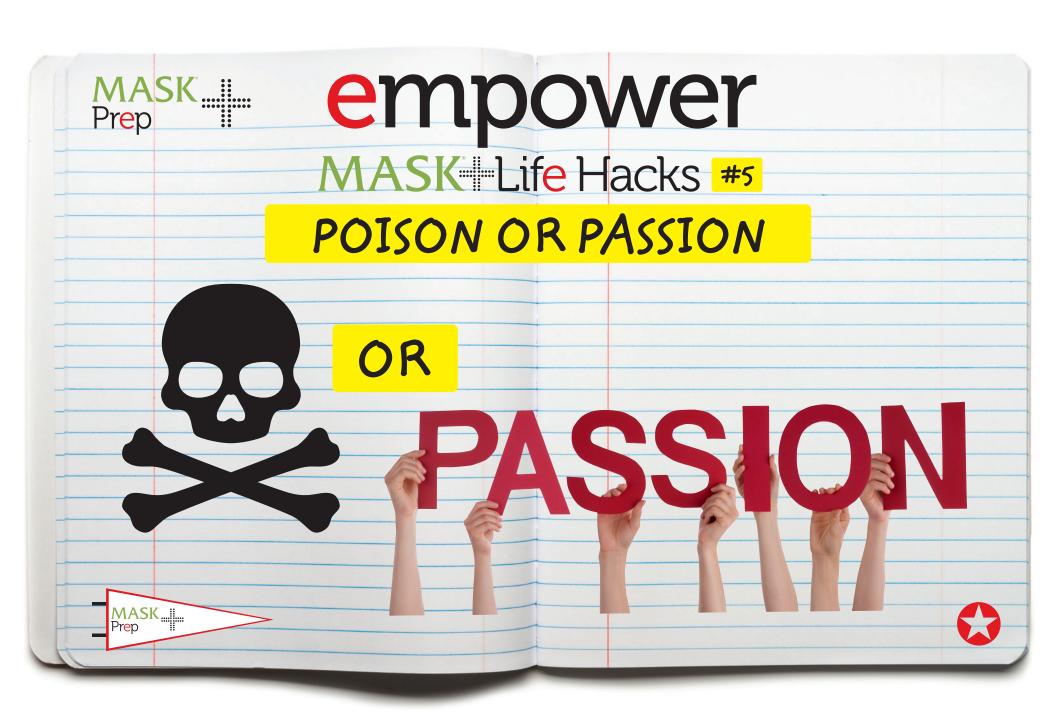














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