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Buzz: A Graphic Reality Check For Teens Dealing With Drugs And Alcohol (FlipSwitch)





Synopsis

The Real Deal Life is tough. You've got questions. You've got choices...and the results are yours to live with. So go ahead - do a little investigating and discover the answers for yourself. The graphically captivating books in the FlipSwitch series are the real deal. They unashamedly tackle pressing issues that you face every day. After pinpointing God's solution, they offer practical steps that will help you take your life in the right direction...without a doubt. Check 'em out: HEAT : Sex. A huge reality check complete with stats and facts on who's doing it and who's paying for it (STD information). BLUR : Who defines you ? A startling glimpse into the reality of your self-image. SPLIT : Divorce. Guidance as your own or your friends' parents go ring-less. BUZZ: Drugs and alcohol. What you need to know about beer, bongs, weed, tobacco, and other tempting substances.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

Marcus Brotherton worked in youth ministry for nearly a decade before switching to writing fulltime. He holds a master's degree in practical theology from Talbot Seminary.

Captivating the interest of teenagers and reaching them in a deep way is not an easy task. Many authors have tried and it is my opinion that Marcus Brotherton has accomplished this task with this book, Buzz. Brotherton's radical magazine-like style is challenging, creative, educational and entertaining. Buzz delivers a Christ-centered message about substance abuse in a modern thought

provoking way. The style of the book keeps you engaged and looking for more. With stylish pages and a dynamic style, this book will keep teens reading and thinking. Buzz is not too long and the content is to the point and uses a language that teens can relate to. It is clear that Marcus Brotherton has spent extensive time with teens in youth ministry and understands the intricacies of the challenges and temptations that teens face on a daily basis. Brotherton says it like it is - there is no dancing around the issues and the facts in this book. He understands how teens think and helps them to come to discover how they think as well. If you know a teen or young person who is, or might be, struggling with substance abuse like alcohol or drugs, do them a favor and give them this book.

Having worked with youth for over two decades, I'm grateful when a book hits where a teen lives in a relevant way. BUZZ strips away the hype to get real about what drugs and alcohol really do in the live of any person. It offers an alternative message that teens will not only "get", but be able to live.Suzanne Eller, author and speaker to teensReal Teen Faith

I can't recommend Marcus Brotherton's BUZZ and HEAT enough to young people. Recently in our youth ministry we passed out a number of these books to a group of high school students. They couldn't put them down. It's obvious that the truth and style in which these books are written are highly relevant to youth today. They're edgy. Highly entertaining. Short enough for anyone to read. They are NOT preachy. Most of all they are thought provoking. Marcus has done an amazing job of raising serious questions and answers to serious issues. I highly recommend getting a handful of these books and passing them out to any youth that you know. They will read them. And better yet, they'll deeply consider the truth presented there.

I think books like this are a great idea, especially for teens. But in my humble opinion, combining important issues that teens deal with like sex, drugs, and divorce with "god" is a mistake.Let the facts and the issues stand on their own merit...trying to throw "god" into the mix just makes already tough issues even more confusing for teens to sort out.

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