## What is binge drinking?

Binge drinking refers to consuming a large amount of alcohol quickly. It's a practice that pushes up blood alcohol levels fast. For men, binge drinking is typically five or more drinks in two hours. Women reach a blood alcohol level of .08 or more with four drinks in two hours or less.

## Why is binge drinking risky?

Teenagers who binge-drink even once are at higher risk of getting alcohol poisoning, not being able to look after themselves while drunk, taking dangerous risks and having accidents.

## What can you do to help stop?

## Stop Teenage Drinking: 10 ways to keep your kid safe

- 1. Talk to your kids, not at them.
- 2. Education is key.
- 3. Help teens understand the risk
- 4. Get involved
- 5. Be a positive influence
- 6. Eliminate Temptation
- 7. Be aware of the warning signs
- 8. Establish clear rules
- 9. Teach refusal skills
- 10. Create and commit to a family pledge.



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