

## HES 224 – Drugs, Behavior, & Society

### Stimulants

#### **Cocaine** – JJ Cale (1976)

If you want to hang out, you've gotta take her out, cocaine  
If you want to get down, get down on the ground, cocaine

She don't lie, she don't lie, she don't lie,  
Cocaine

If you got that lose, you want to kick them blues, cocaine  
When your day is done, and you want to ride on cocaine

She don't lie, she don't lie, she don't lie,  
Cocaine

If your day is gone, and you want to ride on, cocaine  
Don't forget this fact, you can't get it back, cocaine

She don't lie, she don't lie, she don't lie,  
Cocaine

She don't lie, she don't lie, she don't lie,  
Cocaine

Songwriters: J.J. Cale

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#### **Bath Salts** – Highly Suspect (2016)

Hey, I'm feeling okay, it's good  
Cause lately I've been feeling so strange  
Like I've been re-arranged, changed  
And these voices  
The ones that I can hear in my head  
Oh these fellas are telling me  
That I'd be better off dead  
They're painting me red

And lately  
It's been getting harder to sleep  
These muscle spasms hit me so deep  
And every single night I get cold  
Like I can't feel my hands or my toes  
And no one told me which way to go  
But I'm still here, so  
Why don't you pour me another one, Kyle?

[Bridge]

Why can't I come down?

Ho!

Hey! Ho!

Ooh, yeah

### **Discussion Questions:**

1. How do the lyrics, music, and video portray drug use? What messages are conveyed?
2. Compare and contrast the lyrics/messages between JJ Cale song with Highly Suspect's song.
3. Given the year the songs were released, what was going on in American society at the time that makes the song relevant?

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4. What side effects are evident among the flakka users?
5. Why are the number of flakka cases increasing despite these side effects?
6. How does drug use impact the community? What resources are used.
7. Once the opioid epidemic begins to decline, how can we prevent another drug epidemic?