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This book is dedicated to my close colleagues Robin Hayley, John Dicey, Madeleine Mason and to EASYWAY's world-wide team of dedicated therapists at our clinics who, without exception, sacrificed highly paid and successful careers to join our cause.

Allen Carr

To my late Uncle Percy
for his long and agonizing struggle
with emphysema, which was
the tragic result of his simply being
a man of his times – before anyone knew better.

Bev Aisbett

ABOUT EASYWAY

Allen Carr's hundred-cigarettes-a-day addiction was driving him to despair until, in 1983, after countless failed attempts to quit, he finally discovered what the world had been waiting for – the EASY WAY TO STOP SMOKING.

His network of clinics now spans the globe, operating in more than 100 cities in over 30 countries. Contact details for these clinics are given at the end of this book along with a discount voucher redeemable when booking a session at any UK/Worldwide Allen Carr's Easyway Clinic (you won't need it yourself – but you are welcome to pass it on to a friend who does). The clinics offer a genuine money-back guarantee based on which the success rate is over 90 per cent.

Allen Carr's Easy Way To Stop Smoking method is also available in regular book form, CD Audio Book and DVD. For details of these items, and other books which successfully apply Allen Carr's EASYWAY method to 'alcohol', 'weight control', 'fear of flying' and 'worry', visit www.allencarr.com where you can also read about Allen Carr's latest book Scandal. 'This is the book that the government, Department of Health, NHS, ASH and QUIT do not want you to read!'

SO YOU WANT TO QUIT SMOKING?



It may seem **OBVIOUS** that, if you've picked up this book, you're ready to **QUIT SMOKING!**



GOOD FOR YOU! The thing is...are you PREPARED to quit?

What if I were to say:

'Okay, if you're serious, STOP SMOKING RIGHT NOW!'?



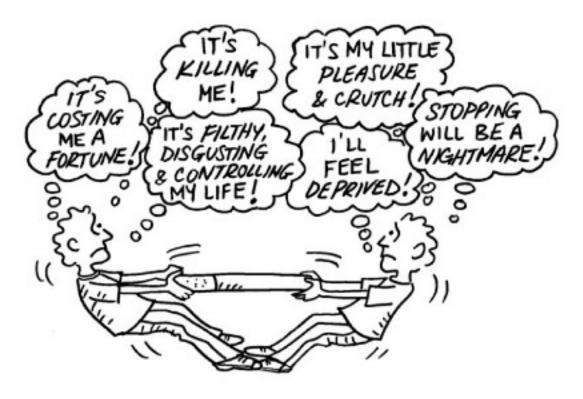
This is a TYPICAL REACTION of course.



Don't worry, you don't have to quit until you ARE ready.



What we saw was the terrible TUG OF WAR that smokers go through most of their lives.



You have probably already tried to quit MANY, MANY times using...



PATCHES



GUM



HYPNOSIS



ACUPUNCTURE





COLD TURKEY

But sooner or later, sure enough, you're BACK AT IT AGAIN and HATING YOURSELF for it.



By now, you have probably become convinced that you just don't have the WILLPOWER.



Actually, it takes a lot of WILLPOWER to be a committed SMOKER.

You need to be able to PUT UP with:

and



...ILL HEALTH...



...ISOLATION...



...DISDAIN...



...BAD PRESS...



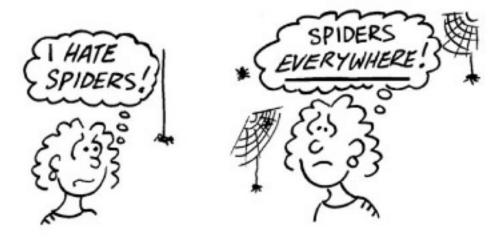
...COST...

...BLEAK FUTURE PROSPECTS.

WILLPOWER sets up a TRICKY DYNAMIC – it's called RESISTANCE.

Whenever you start **FIGHTING** something, it tends to get **BIGGER**.

Ever noticed that if you are ANNOYED by something, it seems to TURN UP EVERYWHERE?



So, of course, what do you think happens when you're FIGHTING, RESISTING or are NOT ALLOWED TO SMOKE?



It becomes
ALL YOU
THINK
ABOUT!

The more **POWERFUL** the reasons for quitting, the more **PANICKED** you are likely to become about **HAVING** to quit!



If you're repeatedly bombarded with messages of DOOM AND GLOOM, what happens?

You feel STRESSED and when stressed, you reach for your CRUTCH.

FEAR - STRESS - SMOKING

You want to QUIT but you want to SMOKE!

You end up at WAR with yourself.

Maybe you didn't feel READY to quit, but you feel PRESSURED to do so.



Someone who cares about you may have given you this book in the hope that you might **QUIT**.



If so, please respect them enough to at least **READ IT**.



After all, you want to stop anyway and what **HARM** could it do?

Whatever the motivation –

HEALTH WORRIES,

COST, APPEASING OTHERS –

you decide ENOUGH'S ENOUGH

and steel yourself to make
a valiant attempt to QUIT.

You muster all of your RESOLVE...



...go COLD TURKEY ...



...and FAIL!! Now, here's something to THINK about.

When you put out a cigarette, YOU ARE ALREADY A NON-SMOKER...



...UNLESS YOU LIGHT ANOTHER ONE!

And here's some more GOOD NEWS.

You are LESS likely to succeed using WILLPOWER!

Oh, some people have succeeded, for sure (and GOOD ON THEM), but the majority FAIL.



In fact, some people have had to exercise that same WILLPOWER to fight off the desire to smoke for YEARS!

> Are they FREE? Not really.

They still WANT to smoke and some never get FREE OF THAT DESIRE.

They continue to feel as though they're MISSING SOMETHING.



That battle is **EXHAUSTING!**

Are these people truly NON-SMOKERS or SMOKERS who just aren't SMOKING?

There's a VITAL DIFFERENCE here that warrants further exploration.

Q. WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A SMOKER AND A NON-SMOKER?

Well, yes...but that could mean that you're only a SMOKER when you are actually SMOKING and, in between cigarettes, you are a NON-SMOKER, as we mentioned before.





But do you FEEL like a NON-SMOKER between cigarettes?

So what's the real difference?

GIVE UP?

(Good idea, by the way!)

A. THE NON-SMOKER HAS NO DESIRE TO SMOKE

Given this definition, a person who has 'QUIT' but still yearns for a cigarette is still HOOKED!

Not PHYSICALLY but MENTALLY.

The same goes for **SUBSTITUTES** such as **PATCHES**, **PILLS** and **POTIONS**.

You're still **ATTACHED** to the **ADDICTION** – you're just **SWAPPING** one for another.

Instead of feeling FREE, you are driven almost INSANE by that constant, nagging thought:

'I WANT A CIGARETTE!'

Eventually, it all gets
TOO HARD and you
give in and
LIGHT UP
that first cigarette...





...and then the NEXT...



...and then the REST!

Being FREE means no longer CRAVING, DESIRING, NEEDING or WANTING A CIGARETTE.

In order to get to that point, you'll need to understand what's REALLY GOING ON.

Every **SMOKER** starts off as a **CASUAL SMOKER**. We figure that we can **CONTROL** our smoking.

In fact, we don't even WORRY about it.

Any problems are way off, in some abstract, distant future. We think we'll be able to deal with any issues later.



By the time that 'distant future' becomes the present, it's **TOO LATE**.

You're **HOOKED**.

So, who's **REALLY** in **CONTROL**? You've **GUESSED IT**!



So, if the problems with your smoking are still something you will deal with in the **FUTURE**, how will you know when it *IS* time to quit?

When you get:

EMPHYSEMA?

LUNG CANCER?

Or you have to have an AMPUTATION?

How long are you prepared to live in constant FEAR that the next cigarette could be a trigger for CANCER?

But you KNOW this stuff ALREADY, don't you?

Well, if so, why haven't you STOPPED?

Quite simply, because you can't bear the thought of being without your **PLEASURE** or **CRUTCH**.

And you CAN'T, because you are ADDICTED.

This isn't designed to scare you – SHOCK TACTICS also create RESISTANCE.

They just make you bury your head further in the sand.



But what we do need to do is

CHANGE YOUR MIND

about your

'BEST BUDDY'!



THE TRAP

Becoming addicted to cigarettes is a bit like falling under a SPELL.





You think that you are in CONTROL...





...until you try to QUIT.



The ADDICTION also traps you into thinking that smoking GIVES you something, and that you **NEED** cigarettes to provide that something.

This trap of addiction is both POWERFUL and SUBTLE.

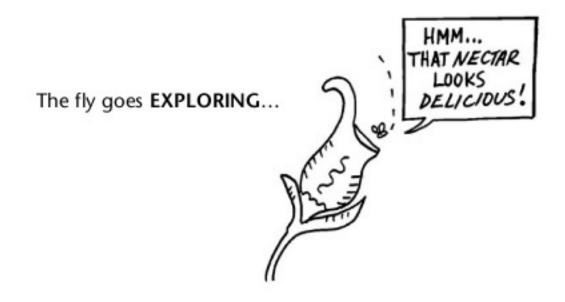
Let's take a look at how it works by using the example of the FLY and the PITCHER PLANT.

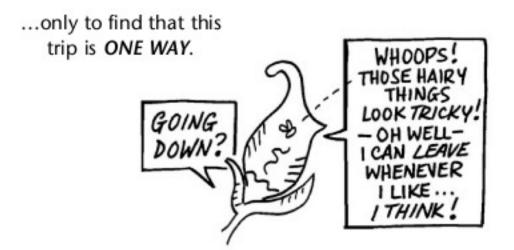
Here is a fly happily buzzing along.

It doesn't **NEED**anything to
feel complete –
nature has provided
abundantly to sustain the
fly's existence.

But on this particular day, the fly happens to spot an UNUSUAL, EXOTIC, ENTICING BLOOM and it gets curious...









However, the fly isn't particularly BOTHERED by this... in fact, he's having a GRAND OLD TIME!

But after some time the fly finds himself getting a bit **FED UP** with this.

What started off as ENJOYABLE is now making him feel SICK...



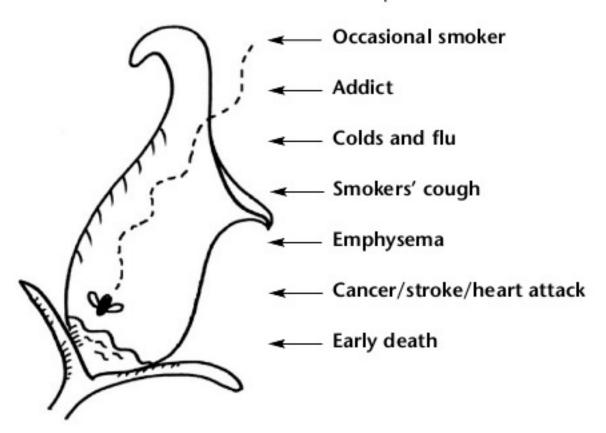
...and it is then it dawns on him that something **BAD** is starting to happen here...





...he realizes that the delicious nectar he was eating before is now **EATING HIM!**

All SMOKERS are like that fly at various stages of descent inside the plant:



The most sinister aspect of this trap is that it creates several **ILLUSIONS**:

- THAT SMOKING IS ENJOYABLE
- THAT PEOPLE CHOOSE TO SMOKE
 - THAT CIGARETTES TASTE GOOD
- THAT SMOKING RELIEVES BOREDOM
- THAT SMOKING AIDS CONCENTRATION
 - THAT SMOKING ALLEVIATES STRESS
- THAT CASUAL SMOKERS ARE LESS HOOKED THAN HEAVY SMOKERS

AND...THAT QUITTING IS DIFFICULT!

Once you are trapped, you have handed over your **POWER** to cigarettes.

Smokers do not CHOOSE to smoke.

They feel COMPELLED to smoke.

They need a FIX to ease the discomfort of not having a FIX.

Smokers are DRUG ADDICTS.

So you don't think you're an **ADDICT**?



Have you ever smoked BUTTS?

Have you ever **STOLEN** someone else's cigarettes?

If you couldn't get your **BRAND** would you go **WITHOUT**?



Have you ever **LIED** about how many cigarettes you actually smoke?







Have you

BROKEN PROMISES

to others (and yourself)

Have you **PRETENDED**you were out of cigarettes if
someone asked you
for one?









If you ran out, to what **LENGTHS** would you go to get **MORE**?

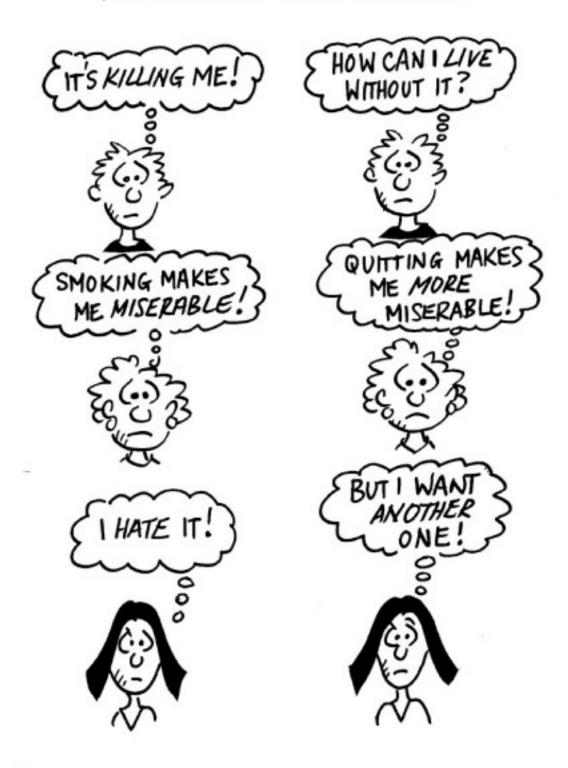
So, you STEAL, LIE, CHEAT, HOARD and COMPROMISE YOURSELF for cigarettes?

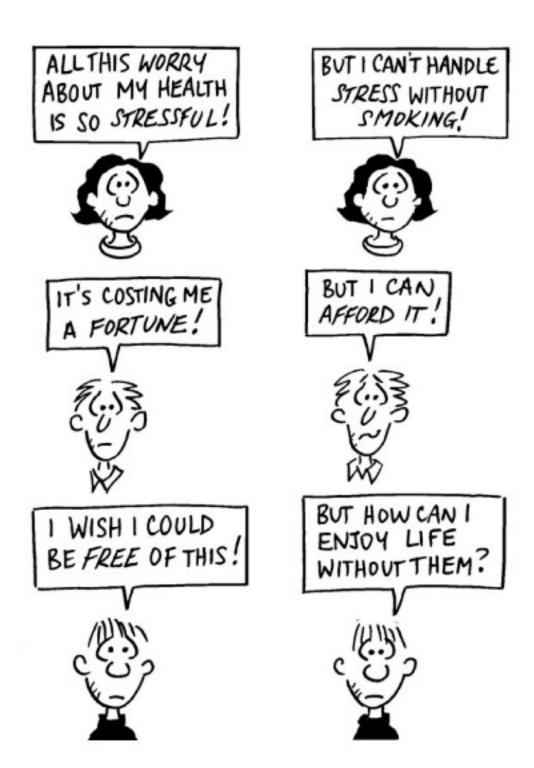
Oh yes, you're an ADDICT.

ANATOMY OF A NICOTINE ADDICT



The worst part of being trapped inside the smoking prison is the sense of being constantly pulled in **TOTALLY OPPOSITE** directions.





You end up reasoning that there must be something very POWERFUL about cigarettes that would keep you smoking despite all the WARNINGS, HEALTH SCARES, FEARS, DOUBTS and your own desire NOT TO.

You think that smoking **DOES SOMETHING** for you and you think you **NEED** to smoke!



In holding on to such ideas, you have NO CONTROL over your smoking.

Instead, you are being controlled by the SMOKING MONSTER.



THE TWO-HEADED MONSTER

The **SMOKING MONSTER** is **CUNNING**.



It pretends to be your FRIEND.



It appears to HELP you.



But it makes you think you CAN'T COPE without it. Some friend!



Actually, the **SMOKING MONSTER** is comprised of **TWO SEPARATE ENTITIES**:

BIG MONSTER and LITTLE MONSTER.



BIG MONSTER

is in charge of the BRAINWASHING...

...convincing you that you **NEED** to smoke.



...those EMPTY, INSECURE feelings that have you reaching for a cigarette.



The SMOKING MONSTERS are your JAILERS,
OWNERS and
TORTURERS.

The SMOKING MONSTERS
have
TOTAL POWER
over your life.



Now, you could be forgiven for thinking that in painting this bleak picture, we are pushing the very SCARE TACTICS we said wouldn't work.



But let's take a look at a couple of things here...

> Firstly, these are the FACTS, of which most smokers are PAINFULLY AWARE (if not, welcome back from MARS!).



Secondly, despite the SCARE TACTICS, there remains a prevailing attitude (even among smokers) that the smoking problem is just a SILLY HABIT that doesn't warrant as much concern as other 'hard' drugs.

NICOTINE ADDICTION is rarely referred to as an ILLNESS in the way that ALCOHOLISM is.

The view seems to be that smokers CHOOSE to smoke because they LIKE it and are simply being STUBBORN by refusing to give it up.





So, the smoker tends to be seen as simply WEAK, WILFUL or just plain STUPID, all of which is untrue given the broad cross-section of society which smokes! In fact, smokers are just as intelligent and strong-willed as anyone else.

People who want to get off drugs like HEROIN or ALCOHOL have far more

PUBLIC RESOURCES

available to them
than the person who wants to kick their
addiction to NICOTINE,
which, ironically, is
recognized as being far more
ADDICTIVE than HEROIN!



As a result, the poor old smoker who wants to guit has to battle on pretty much ALONE, usually with little SUPPORT, SYMPATHY or UNDERSTANDING of the inner turmoil involved.





Few non-smokers really understand the genuine SUFFERING experienced by a smoker who wants to quit, but can't.

This daily battle with the self can be **OVERWHELMING**.

Smokers trying to guit using WILLPOWER can be reduced to tears of shame and despair when, despite numerous RESOLUTIONS and heartfelt PROMISES, they find themselves unable to break free of the MONSTER'S grasp time and time again.



Return for the moment to the nicotine addict on p37 and this time, look with *compassion* at this person who could so easily be **YOU**.

See this person as a FRIEND might.

Here is a CARING, WARM, LOVING, GIVING, person in an INCREDIBLE body which represents the pinnacle of creation, but which is trapped in the daily torture of ADDICTION.





Perhaps there might be a greater chance of success if we got rid of the SHAME and GUILT and started to see ourselves with KINDER, more FORGIVING eyes.

In fact, it is testimony to the marvels of the **HUMAN BODY** that it is able to cope with nicotine at **ALL**, given that this is one of the deadliest and most addictive substances known, over and above **HEROIN** and **ALCOHOL**.



If the nicotine from JUST ONE CIGARETTE was injected directly into your vein, it would KILL you.

THE GOOD NEWS

is that it takes only a MATTER OF DAYS for nicotine to leave your system when you stop smoking and your body IMMEDIATELY sets to work to begin repairing the damage.

Once you have freed yourself of the PSYCHOLOGICAL TRAPS (the BIG MONSTER'S BRAINWASHING), the PHYSICAL PANGS are easy to deal with.

Even **HEAVY SMOKERS** are able to abstain for long periods without it bothering them while...

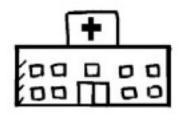






AT WORK

or DURING A HOSPITAL STAY.



The PHYSICAL WITHDRAWAL is not even strong enough to wake you from sleep.





Sure, but here's something to think about...

SMOKERS DON'T ENJOY SMOKING!





I DON'T

Oh, you mean the FAVOURITE cigarettes...



...the FIRST one of the DAY



...after a MEAL or with a DRINK...



...after EXERCISE...

...and during BREAKS.



What these cigarettes have in common is that some time has usually elapsed since you had your last fix and the relief seems all the more precious.

You associate that level of relief with the situation you're in, which reinforces the **BRAINWASHING**.

In the end, you can't enjoy these situations without smoking.

THE SOLE 'PLEASURE' OF SMOKING IS RELIEVING THE CRAVING FOR NICOTINE.

Let's take a look at this: THIS IS A WELLBEING METER...



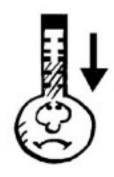
...this is the level of your **WELLBEING** on a good day before you started smoking.

Then, you light your first cigarette and the LITTLE MONSTER is born.





THE LITTLE MONSTER has a HUGE APPETITE and very soon he demands to be FED again...



...and your WELLBEING drops as you feel that EMPTY, INSECURE feeling of the body's reaction to NICOTINE WITHDRAWAL...



...so you FEED the monster again.







...until the monster gets hungry again!

And so it goes...

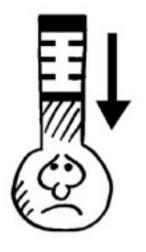
ON and ON and ON...



Over time, the body builds up a tolerance to the drug, so that when you smoke it only PARTIALLY relieves the feeling, so you feel MORE STRESSED, MORE OFTEN and need to SMOKE MORE.

No matter how much you feed the LITTLE MONSTER, you can *never* reach the level of **WELLBEING** that you felt before you smoked.

Even at your best, you will always feel MORE STRESSED AND LESS RELAXED than a non-smoker.



In fact, progressively declining HEALTH, feelings of SHAME, DISGUST and SLAVERY and the CONSTANT FEAR of disease or death looming in the background, ensure that your feeling of wellbeing keeps getting LOWER and LOWER.

STILL not convinced that smoking is not ENJOYABLE?



OK. Light one up right now and INHALE DEEPLY six times.



Now, describe the **PLEASURE** you're experiencing.



Have ANOTHER ONE.



Why not, if it's as PLEASURABLE as you say?

It's not about PLEASURE.

It's about TOPPING UP your NICOTINE LEVEL to try to make up for the WITHDRAWAL caused by the last cigarette.

You can't HELP it!

You need

HELP!

It's OK - HELP IS AT HAND!



You need to start

CARING ABOUT YOURSELF

enough to

HELP YOURSELF

by working your way,

STEP BY STEP,

through the rest of this book.

NO BUTTS

IMPORTANT NOTE:

YOU CAN KEEP SMOKING UNTIL YOU 'GET IT'!

IN FACT, WE INSIST THAT YOU DO.

AS LONG AS YOU STILL SEE A CIGARETTE AS DESIRABLE, YOU'LL BE A SMOKER.

DON'T WORRY – FOLLOW EVERYTHING IN THE BOOK AND

YOU'LL GET IT!

Our work begins by taking a GOOD, HARD look at the monster and seeing what it REALLY is...

AN ILLUSION!

It's a bit like the childhood 'Monster-Under-the-Bed'.

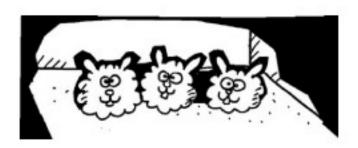
Remember how **BIG** and **SCARY** that monster seemed to be as you lay there in the dark?



That is, until the time when you finally screwed up the courage to LEAN OVER to take a PEEK...



...and all you found there was a whole lot of **DUST BUNNIES!**



The monster existed only in your IMAGINATION. In a similar way, the **BIG SMOKING MONSTER** feeds on your **FEAR**.

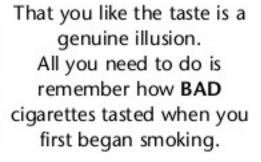
It BRAINWASHES you into thinking that you'll be WORSE OFF without it.

It's time to start shattering some of those ILLUSIONS.





WELL, I LIKETHE TASTE
OF LOBSTER BUT I
DON'T NEED TO CARRY
A CONSTANT SUPPLY
TO AVOID PANICKING!





They only 'taste' good because you are satisfying the craving for nicotine and you associate the taste with relief from the **CRAVING**.



The cigarette after the meal SEEMS to taste better because you're satisfying THREE aggravations – HUNGER, THIRST and your need for a NICOTINE FIX.



Think of how **FRUSTRATED** you get when non-smokers are slow at finishing their meal and you're itching to **LIGHT UP!** Why would **ONE CIGARETTE** out of the **SAME PACKET** taste better than the others?





Smoking doesn't improve the taste of food.

On the contrary, it KILLS OFF YOUR TASTE BUDS.



BUT I'M AFRAID THAT IF I QUIT I'LL PUT ON WEIGHT!

Weight gain will only be a problem if you **SUBSTITUTE** one **CRAVING** for another.

The point is to realize that you're not **MISSING** anything!

In fact, you'll regain lots of ENERGY and be MORE ACTIVE. Once your poor old body has been purged of all that GUNGE, you'll feel more ENERGETIC.





These are two of the most commonly held ILLUSIONS about smoking.

Let's shatter them!

To puncture the illusion that cigarettes help you to **RELAX**, imagine that you and a non-smoker are both off to the dentist this morning – an experience that causes most people to feel **TENSE**.

You are already under par because you've woken up with the STRESS of having to top up your NICOTINE LEVEL which has dropped overnight.





The non-smoker only has to deal with the stress of the **DENTAL APPOINTMENT**. Now, let's FAST FORWARD to the end of the appointment.

You can both heave a big sigh of **RELIEF...** or **CAN YOU?**



The **REAL** stress for the smoker is in constantly having to satisfy that incessant **HUNGER**, that **ITCH**, when the nicotine level drops. This is why it **SEEMS** that smoking also aids **CONCENTRATION**.



Of course it's difficult to concentrate when you're DISTRACTED by the body suffering from nicotine withdrawal and the mind asking for a cigarette.

Non-smokers don't have this problem and nor will you once YOU ARE FREE!

You experience

MORE STRESS AND A LACK OF CONCENTRATION BECAUSE YOU SMOKE!



If smoking was the cure-all for stress, your life should be a BED OF ROSES.

Non-smokers may experience the same degree of LIFE STRESSES as you, but they don't have the EXTRA BURDEN of smoking as well.





You weren't addicted to your first cigarette.

You had to WORK at it.



Did you experiment with MARIJUANA years ago?

Did that make you a full-blown JUNKIE?

Some people play with fire, others don't. It's the **DRUG** that addicts you, not your **PERSONALITY**.



Fating is a NATURAL act. Smoking is not.

You are not born with an in-built TRIGGER

to smoke, in the same way that
hunger alerts you to EAT.

That trigger is CREATED by SMOKING.

EATING SATISFIES HUNGER...
SMOKING CREATES HUNGER...

and the hunger that smoking creates is

NEVER, EVER SATISFIED!



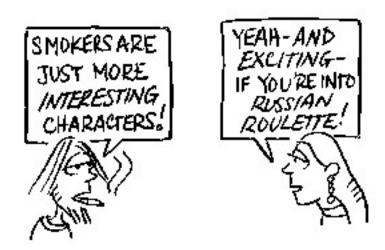
If it's really about needing to keep your HANDS busy, why LIGHT UP? Why not just handle an UNLIT cigarette?



Would it send you into a PANIC if you could never eat BLACK FOREST CAKE again?



Why should it bother you not to take **POISON** every day?

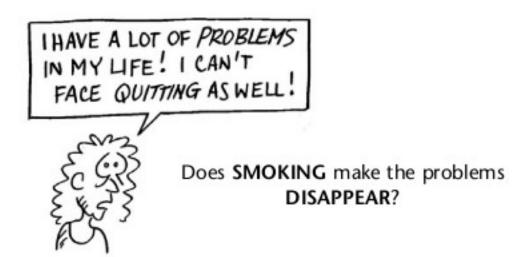


Oh yes, smokers are infinitely more INTERESTING than BORING, DO-GOODER HEALTH NUTS.

That COUGH alone certainly gets you NOTICED!



If you're really **SELF-DESTRUCTIVE**, why continue an activity you think makes you feel **BETTER**?



BUT SMOKING IS ONE OF LIFE'S PLEASURES-LIKE GOOD WINE & CHOCOLATE! WHAT'S ALL THE FUSS?



Would you encourage your KIDS to smoke?



If you had your life over, would you CHOOSE to be a smoker?



If it's not a PROBLEM and it's so PLEASURABLE, why wouldn't you RECOMMEND it?



The **RITUAL** is just what you need to go through to get the nicotine into your body.



If it's ORAL GRATIFICATION, why LIGHT IT or INHALE?

You managed for many years after you were **WEANED**without needing to stick
a cigarette in your mouth.

Would you walk around sucking a **DUMMY**?



Oh, COME ON! What about FRIENDSHIP, FAMILY, SUNSHINE, FOOD, FREEDOM, HEALTH, HOLIDAYS, NATURE...ETC ETC?



So you picked a TOP-SHELF CARCINOGEN! You must be a CONNOISSEUR!



You could also win the LOTTERY, be discovered for TELEVISION or be elected PRIME MINISTER!

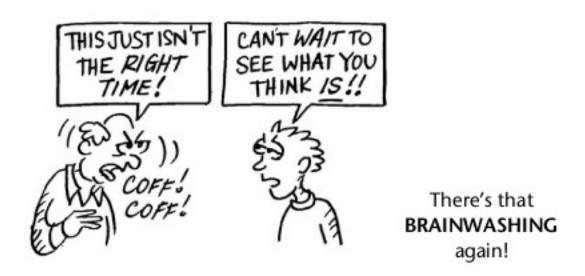


Smoking is SLOW SUICIDE.

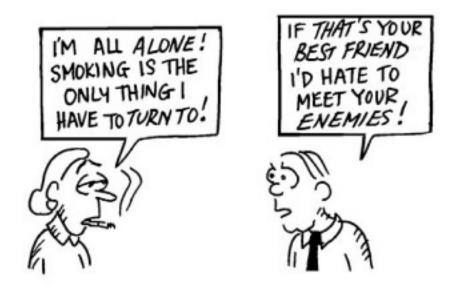
Besides, do you want the lead-up to your death to be a PROLONGED, HIDEOUS TORTURE?



Well, if you're **DUMB** enough to suck on something **DEADLY**...



It convinces you that the time is **NEVER** right!



Have you thought that perhaps it's actually your **SMOKING** that keeps you isolated?

And what kind of FRIEND would POISON, CHOKE and IMPRISON you?



Is the phone about to **BLOW UP? BITE YOU?**It's the **SMOKING** that's creating the stress.

Can you see how LAME these excuses are?

How much of your thinking has been distorted by the **SMOKING MONSTER'S**

BRAINWASHING?



It CLOSES YOUR MIND.

It makes you DEAF, DUMB and BLIND.

It's part of the TRICK, the SPELL, the SMOKESCREEN.

The biggest STUMBLING BLOCKS are the ideas that:

(A) YOU ARE ACTUALLY SACRIFICING something.

WRONG!

(B) YOU'LL BE ABLE TO SMOKE OCCASIONALLY AND BE IN CONTROL.

WRONG!

IT'S TIME TO

WAKE UP!

Just for a moment see yourself as a NON-SMOKER sees you...



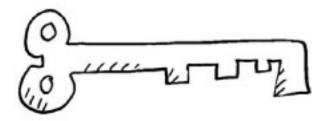
Could you ever really convince a non-smoker that you are **BETTER OFF** smoking than they are **NOT SMOKING**?



You are being **DUPED** by the greatest **CON ARTISTS** of all...



Your JAILERS.



EASYWAY holds the key that will set you free and it opens only **ONE THING...**

YOUR MIND!

Take off the

ROSE-TINTED GLASSES!

How do you make sure you

NEVER

CRAVE a cigarette?

Remember the REALITY of smoking:

IT'S NOT PLEASANT.

IT'S NOT FUN.

IT DOESN'T RELAX YOU - IT MAKES YOU UPTIGHT.

IT CAUSES THE STRESS YOU THINK IT'S RELIEVING.

IT DOESN'T RELIEVE BOREDOM, JUST THE OPPOSITE.

IT DOESN'T HELP YOU RELAX, IT DISTRACTS YOU.

YOU'LL HANDLE STRESS BETTER AS A NON-SMOKER.

YOU'LL ENJOY SOCIAL OCCASIONS MORE AS A NON-SMOKER.

THERE'S NOTHING TO GIVE UP!

THE JOYS OF SMOKING:

FURRY TONGUE



FOUL BREATH



SALLOW SICKLY COMPLEXION



ENDLESS COUGHING



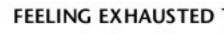
YELLOW TEETH



SHAME & GUILT









BAD HEALTH



WHAT IS THERE TO MISS?

We've covered most of the EXCUSES, but there's one more thing that warrants a SPECIAL EXAMINATION...

FEAR.

THE VOID

The **SMOKING MONSTERS** thrive on **FEAR**. Of course, this fear surfaces most when we consider **QUITTING**.



What you need to remember is this fear was CREATED BY THE ADDICTION!

If you are still having **DOUBTS**, it may be because of this **FEAR**.

Let's begin to **BLOW IT TO SMITHEREENS!**



A FEAR OF FAILING may be fuelled by focusing on the idea that you are making a SACRIFICE or that quitting is something you must ENDURE.



OPEN YOUR MIND!

There is **NOTHING** to **GIVE UP!**

Life is infinitely **BETTER** without smoking!

See quitting as a REWARD, not an ORDEAL!

But even if you fail, are you any WORSE OFF than if you just kept smoking? At least give it a GO!

DO NOT DEPRIVE YOURSELF OF THE CHANCE TO BE FREE!

Again, you'll only STRUGGLE if you think you're LOSING something of VALUE!

STOPPING IS NOT PUNISHMENT! SMOKING IS THE PUNISHMENT!



You are about to receive the GREATEST REWARD – YOUR FREEDOM.





ENJOY? Are you kidding? You'll finally be able to TASTE it!

SAVOUR it!
Now you can AFFORD it, order the very BEST!



Well, now you're INFORMED, you have CHOICE. That's FREEDOM.



And HALLELUJAH for that! NOW you have a chance to really ENJOY life.

Of course, you can always

CHOOSE to hand the keys back to your JAILER.

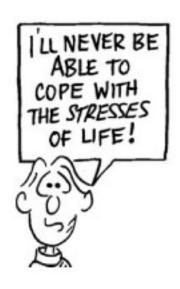


At least you're being HONEST about your ADDICTION.

Look, you **NEED AIR, WATER** and **FOOD** for your **SURVIVAL**.

Smoking isn't a **NEED**. It isn't a **CRUTCH**.

It's a TRAP.



Animals in the wild face **STRESS** every time they are in the vicinity of predators.

They don't need DRUGS to cope.



Children don't need **DRUGS**.

They're HIGH on life!



So why do you think we turn to DRUGS to feel OK?

Because we feel

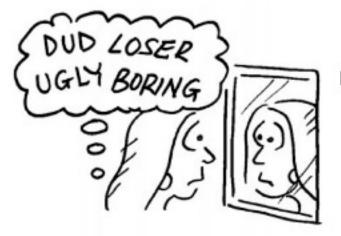
INCOMPLETE.

You didn't get hooked because you are STUPID –
and neither are today's young smokers,
who are extremely well
informed about
the HAZARDS
of smoking!

SMOKING IS TOXIC

The reasons for starting smoking are still very much about wanting to FIT IN, to BE COOL or to PROVE ONESELF to OTHERS in some way.

Of course, the underlying BELIEF behind this is:



SMOKING

I AM INCOMPLETE

AS I AM. In other words, I need some CRUTCH, PROP, MASK or ARMOUR to COMPLETE me or HIDE my INSECURITY.

COOL

This arises because
we mistakenly believe
that OTHERS
have something we lack –
STYLE, POWER, BEAUTY,
COOLNESS etc.

So, we IMITATE those we envy or OUTDO them in terms of RISK-TAKING or DARING, thinking that we will be more APPRECIATED or RESPECTED.



Think about those people you thought you needed to **IMPRESS**.





How many are STILL smoking?

If you're still needing that PROP to cope with feelings of INADEQUACY, STRESS or HELPLESSNESS, you are still labouring under the ILLUSION that you, yourself, are NOT ENOUGH.





Does SMOKING make you feel BETTER about YOURSELF?

Are you PROUD that you smoke?

Has smoking made you feel more ADEQUATE?



Surely you realize that whatever the reasons were that caused you to start smoking, they no longer apply.



If you're really HONEST, you'll admit that you wish you'd never started. Nor can you explain why you continue to smoke. And here's the GREATEST IRONY: you keep topping up the drug in order to TEMPORARILY feel the way a NON-SMOKER feels ALL the time!

The only reason you **LIGHT UP** is to get rid of the feeling of **NICOTINE WITHDRAWAL** which **NON-SMOKERS**do not suffer from in the first place!





The cigarette does not **RELIEVE** the empty feeling – it **CAUSES** it!



In fact, when you light a cigarette, you are trying to feel the way you did when YOU were a NON-SMOKER.

THOSE TERRIBLE CRAVINGS

By now, you're probably itching to get on with it, but there's one **LAST THING** we need to take a look at: those so-called

'TERRIBLE CRAVINGS'.

This has been the little monster's tool to keep you hooked – that NAGGING, EMPTY, INSECURE feeling that has had you reaching for a cigarette.



If you really have GOT IT,
you will be very clear that these
cravings are mostly MENTAL.

If your THINKING is right, you're ready to follow the
instructions that will enable you to become a
HAPPY NON-SMOKER.

The biggest part of the job is **ALREADY DONE**.

Once you have the right MIND-SET, the PHYSICAL cravings are a MINOR part of the whole thing.

Even though they are MINOR, you will still benefit from having a few STRATEGIES for effectively dealing with the LITTLE MONSTER while he goes through his FINAL DEATH THROES in the first few days.



He may not be happy about this, of course.

But YOU SHOULD BE!

Why would you **MOPE** about the death of a SADISTIC TYRANT?

Shouldn't this be cause for

CELEBRATION?

NOTHING BAD IS HAPPENING!

The **PHYSICAL SENSATIONS** are only slight and will pass in a few days.

Regard any **COMPLAINT** from the monster as a sign that, at last, your **JAILER** is **DYING**, the door is open and you are now **FREE**!



REJOICE!



I CAN'T STOP THINKING ABOUT SMOKING!

OK then, go on and **THINK** about it! (Remember – what you resist **PERSISTS**.)

But DO think about it the RIGHT WAY.
Instead of thinking:
'I want a cigarette, but CAN'T HAVE ONE',
think: 'Isn't it great!
I DON'T NEED TO SMOKE any more!'

If you have woken up to the **BRAINWASHING**, you have already **KILLED OFF** the **BIG MONSTER**.

Now, you need only take on his little **PARTNER**.

HANDLING THE LITTLE MONSTER

It's easy! There's no physical pain, just an occasional 'EMPTY PANG'.

When this comes, don't think of it as
'I want a cigarette',
instead recognize it as the LITTLE MONSTER
demanding its fix, and enjoy
STARVING IT TO DEATH.

In just a few days, you'll never have to experience it again!



Those emotions were there

ANYWAY.

If this happens, don't worry. Any big change can be unsettling.

Ask yourself:

What am I really ANGRY about?
What do I really feel NERVOUS about?
What is the GAP in my life that I've used smoking to fill?

Then **ATTEND** to those needs.
They've just been **HIGHLIGHTED** so that you can **HEAL** them.

Ask yourself, what started your SMOKING?



And did SMOKING REALLY help you feel more GROWN UP, PEACEFUL, LESS ANGRY, COOLER or BRAVE?

DID IT MAKE YOU LESS STRESSED? DO YOU STILL ADMIRE ROLE MODELS BECAUSE THEY SMOKE?

DID SMOKING MAKE YOU FEEL BETTER OR WORSE ABOUT YOURSELF?

THERE'S A SAYING:

I am not what happened to me.
I am what I chose to become.



OK. So you made a **DUMB CHOICE** back then for some pretty **DUMB** reasons... (most people make several in a lifetime)

...but you now have the opportunity to make the **BEST DECISION** you will ever make – one which you will be **PROUD** of for the rest of your life...



YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE TO DO ANYTHING.

– SIMPLY DON'T LIGHT THE NEXT CIGARETTE!



You'll remember before you actually light up and when you do remember, DON'T MOPE but REJOICE in the fact that you're now FREE!



You don't have to IMAGINE it.

HERE'S WHAT IT WILL BE LIKE:

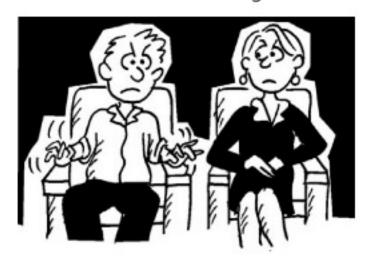
You'll have ENERGY TO BURN.



You'll SLEEP BETTER.



No more **FIDGETING** through a movie or a meal, **HANGING ON** for a cigarette.



You'll SMELL FRESH!





You'll have HEAPS MORE MONEY.

And you'll **FEEL SORRY** for those who **SMOKE**.

Can you picture future historians trying to make **SENSE** of this ridiculous thing called **SMOKING**?







SOONER OR LATER, you'll find yourself going through a challenging experience WITHOUT needing to smoke!



The reward is the feeling of **RELIEF** that you're **FREE**.



What does smoking do for you?

ABSOLUTELY NOTHING!

What does smoking take from you?

ABSOLUTELY EVERYTHING!

A truly wonderful thing is about to happen –

YOUR FREEDOM

AND

YOUR LIFE!

FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

STOP! BEFORE YOU READ ON.

If you've GOT IT, but feel a little apprehensive, that's OK. The 'proof of the pudding is in the eating' as the saying goes.

BUT IF YOU STILL THINK:

- Smoking gives you any RELIEF
- You'll keep some cigarettes around 'just in case'
 - That you're making some kind of 'SACRIFICE'
 - Just ONE now and then won't hurt
 - That you can CONTROL your smoking
 - There's something POSITIVE in smoking
- You'll be less HAPPY, PEACEFUL or FREE without smoking...

YOU'RE NOT READY. GO BACK AND READ THE BOOK AGAIN. MAKE NOTES. OPEN YOUR MIND!



Soon, you will be smoking the VERY LAST CIGARETTE that you will EVER smoke in your life.

This will be done with a little RITUAL.



To signify your LIBERTY but, more importantly, to ensure that you have the CERTAINTY to say:



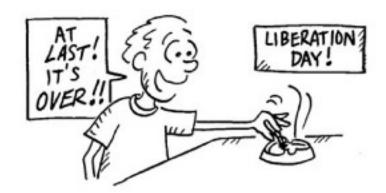
If you have not smoked for a few days – just confirm that you have already smoked your **FINAL CIGARETTE**. If you have been smoking while reading this book, even if you have already **LOST ANY DESIRE** to smoke, prove it to yourself through this ceremony.



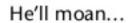
IT'S THE BIG GOODBYE.

SO HERE ARE YOUR FINAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE LAST CIGARETTE AND BEYOND:

Extinguish the final cigarette with a feeling of ELATION.



Be aware that the LITTLE MONSTER will be trying to TRICK YOU.





he'll flirt...



he'll pretend to be your BEST BUDDY.





It's like in those THRILLER MOVIES...

There's the heroine, safe inside her house, while there's a MONSTER outside, banging on the door.





You're sitting there watching her start to **WAVER** and, next thing, the stupid fool is heading for the door...



You can't believe she would even CONSIDER opening it. Doesn't she know he can KILL her?

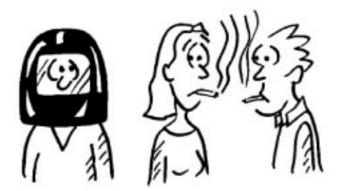




Well, YOU know better, don't you?

YOU MUST NEVER, EVER OPEN THAT DOOR!

3. DON'T AVOID SMOKERS OR SMOKING SITUATIONS.



Go out and enjoy social occasions right from the start, even if you're surrounded by smokers. Realize you are not being DEPRIVED – THEY ARE.

4. DON'T ENVY SMOKERS.



Why would you envy someone who is TRAPPED?

You know what? Deep down, they envy YOU because every one of them will be wishing they could be like you – FREE FROM THE WHOLE FILTHY NIGHTMARE!

5. REMEMBER, THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS 'JUST ONE' CIGARETTE



'Just one' cigarette is the first link in a whole CHAIN OF MISERY. If you light up 'just one', you just create a craving for another.

THAT CRAVING WILL NEVER BE SATISFIED!

AGAINST A WALL just to remind yourself how good it feels to STOP, or wearing TIGHT SHOES just to feel the relief of TAKING THEM OFF!



DON'T PUT OFF BECOMING A NON-SMOKER.

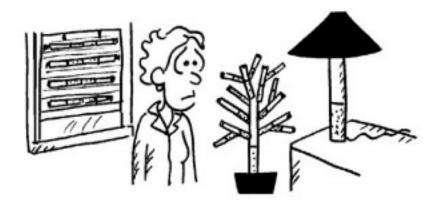


You become a non-smoker as soon as you cut off the MONSTER'S SUPPLY.

YOU ARE A NON-SMOKER FROM THE MOMENT YOU STUB OUT THE FINAL CIGARETTE!



7. DON'T WORRY IF YOUR THOUGHTS CENTRE ON SMOKING FOR A WHILE.



Why WOULDN'T they? A lot of your time as a SMOKER was spent THINKING about SMOKING. As a NON-SMOKER, you'll still THINK about it – after all, it's been a BIG PART of your life until now.

The thing is, you'll be thinking **DIFFERENTLY** about it, now.

THINK ABOUT IT, BUT NEVER EVER

QUESTION YOUR DECISION.

Just hold THIS thought in your mind.



THE RITUAL



At last, it's time for the

CEREMONY OF THE LAST CIGARETTE.

LIGHT the last cigarette.



Feel it BURNING your DELICATE LUNGS.



Feel how PRECIOUS and VITAL they are.



BREATHE IN THE SMOKE.

Experience the **TASTE** of the cigarette in your mouth.



Notice how truly FOUL that cigarette tastes.



Now, shift your attention to your **BEAUTIFUL**, **FAITHFUL HEART**.



Feel how it RACES.



Think of how MANY, MANY times your poor heart has had to STRAIN like that as the drug has roared through your SYSTEM. Now, **STUB OUT** the cigarette with a **FEELING OF ELATION**.



Gather up the ASHTRAY and the BUTT and the LIGHTER and the MATCHES and ANYTHING and EVERYTHING to do with SMOKING and...



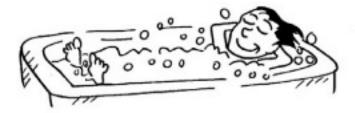
THROW THE WHOLE MESS IN THE BIN!



You might feel like dancing around yelling: 'I'M FREE, I'M FREE!'







Take a LONG, LUXURIOUS BATH.



WASH YOUR HAIR.

CLEAN YOUR TEETH.



SAVOUR how CLEAN and fresh you feel.

YOU'RE A HERO!





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