

## Altered States—Sleep: The Necessity of Sleep

(sleep is one of the body's daily (circadian) biological rhythms; sleep—wake cycle controlled by the brain including the hypothalamus and the neurotransmitter serotonin)



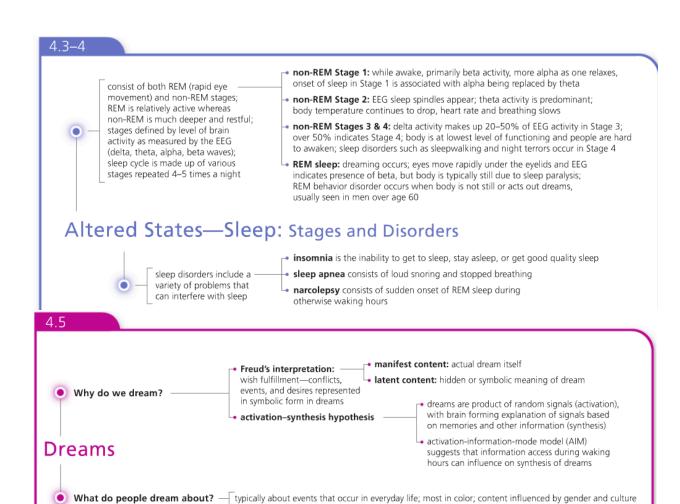
 sleep deprivation can lead to serious changes in body and mental functioning
 amount of sleep needed ranges from 4–10 hours; most people need 7–8 hours every 24 hours

adaptive theory of sleep suggests sleep is a product of evolution;
 sleep has evolved to avoid the active time of predators

**restorative theory of sleep** suggests sleep is vital to the physical health of the body; body growth and repair occur during the deepest stages of sleep

#### Table 4.1 Common Sleep Disorders

NAME OF DISORDER	PRIMARY SYMPTOMS		
Somnambulism	Sitting, walking, or performing complex behavior while asleep		
Night terrors	Extreme fear, agitation, screaming while asleep		
Restless leg syndrome	Uncomfortable sensations in legs causing movement and loss of sleep		
Nocturnal leg cramps	Painful cramps in calf or foot muscles		
Hypersomnia	Excessive daytime sleepiness		
Circadian rhythm disorders	Disturbances of the sleep-wake cycle such as jet lag and shift work		
Enuresis	Urinating while asleep in bed		



# Table 4.2 Sample Items from the Stanford Hypnotic Susceptibility Scale: Form A (SHSS:A)

Postural sway
 Finger lock
 Hallucination (fly)
 Eye closure
 Arm rigidity (left arm)
 Eye catalepsy
 Hand lowering (left)
 Hands moving together
 Posthypnotic (changes chairs)
 Immobilization (right arm)
 Verbal inhibition (name)
 Amnesia

Source: Hilgard, E. (1965). Hypnotic Susceptibility. New York: Harcourt, Brace & World.

Table 4.3 Facts about Hypnosis					
HYPNOSIS CAN:	HYPNOSIS CANNOT:				
Create amnesia for whatever happens during the hypnotic session, at least for a brief time (Bowers & Woody, 1996).	Give people superhuman strength. (People may use their full strength under hypnosis, but it is no more than they had before hypnosis.)				
Relieve pain by allowing a person to remove conscious attention from the pain (Holroyd, 1996).	Reliably enhance memory. (There's an increased risk of false memory retrieval because of the suggestible state hypnosis creates.)				
Alter sensory perceptions. (Smell, hearing, vision, time sense, and the ability to see visual illusions can all be affected by hypnosis.)	Regress people back to childhood. (Although people may act like children, they do and say things children would not.)				
Help people relax in situations that normally would cause them stress, such as flying on an airplane (Muhlberger et al., 2001).	Regress people to some "past life." There is no scientific evidence for past life regres- sion (Lilienfeld et al., 2004).				

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## Altered States: Hypnosis

(state of consciousness during which person is more susceptible to suggestion)

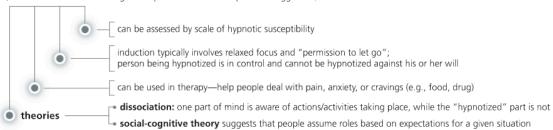
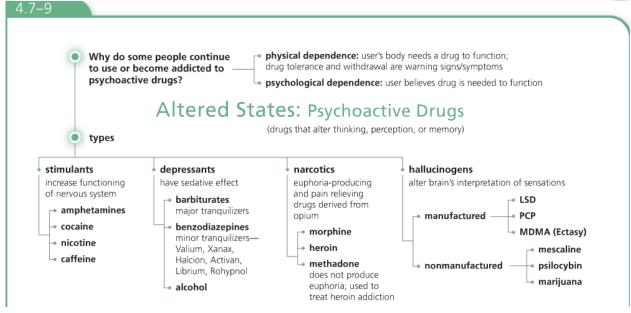


Table 4.6 How Drugs Affect Consciousness					
DRUG CLASSIFICATION	COMMON NAME	MAIN EFFECT	ADVERSE EFFECTS		
Depressants					
Alcohol	Beer, wine, spirits	Relaxation	Alcoholism, health problems, depression, increased risk of accidents, death		
Barbiturates (tranquilizers)	Nembutal, Seconal		Addiction, brain damage, death		
Stimulants					
Amphetamines	Methamphetamine, speed, Ritalin, Dexedrine	Stimulation, excitement	Risk of addiction, stroke, fatal heart problems, psychosis		
Cocaine	Cocaine, crack		Risk of addiction, stroke, fatal heart problems, psychosis		
Nicotine	Tobacco		Addiction, cancer		
Caffeine	Coffee, tea		Caffeinism, high blood pressure		
Narcotics					
Opiates	Morphine, heroin	Euphoria	Addiction, death		
Psychedelics and Hallucinoge	ens				
	Marijuana, hashish, LSD, Ecstasy	Distorted consciousness, altered perception	Possible permanent memory problems, bad "trips," suicide, overdose, and death		



### Summary Table of the Senses

Sense	Stimulus	Sense Organ	Sensory Receptor Cells
Hearing (audition)	Sound waves	Ear	Hair cells in cochlea
Vision	Light waves	Eye	Rods and cones in retina
Color vision	Different wavelengths of light	Eye	Cones in retina
Smell (olfaction)	Airborne odor molecules	Nose	Hairlike receptor cells at top of nasal cavity
Taste (gustation)	Chemicals dissolved in saliva	Mouth	Taste buds
Touch	Pressure	Skin	Pacinian corpuscle
Temperature	Warmth, cold	Skin	Warm and cold "spots" on skin
Pain	Tissue injury or damage; varied	Skin, organs, and other body sites	No single specific receptor; pattern of messages from many kinds of receptors
Movement (kinesthetic sense)	Movement of the body	None; muscle and joint tissue	Proprioceptors in muscle and joint tissue
Balance (vestibular sense)	Changes in position, gravity	Semicircular canals and vestibular sacs	Hairlike receptor cells in semicircular canals and vestibular sacs