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2009 PROJECT SUMMARY**

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<b>Project Title</b> <b>Peer Pressure: It's Everywhere</b>	
<b>Objectives/Goals</b> To determine which groups of people are easily influenced by peer pressure through the use of a box, a laser, some survey questions; relating to their characteristics that can support the results, and a group of volunteers that are categorized by age groups. My hypothesis is that teens are easily influenced by peer pressure than other age groups due to the transition of puberty.	
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<b>Results</b> The analysis shows that preteens are easily influenced by peer pressure than other groups.	
<b>Conclusions/Discussion</b> In conclusion, my hypothesis was incorrect. Nothing is ever done to alter, or prevent peer pressure from occurring because it is so common. However, peer pressure is the reason why such dangerous actions occur every day. Most believe that peer pressure is an everyday routine that one must occur. This experiment might be the first step in helping those walk away from peer pressure and away from those dangerous actions.	
<b>Summary Statement</b> To determine which groups of people- preteens, teens, or adults- are easily influenced by peer pressure.	
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