

THE HOMELESS

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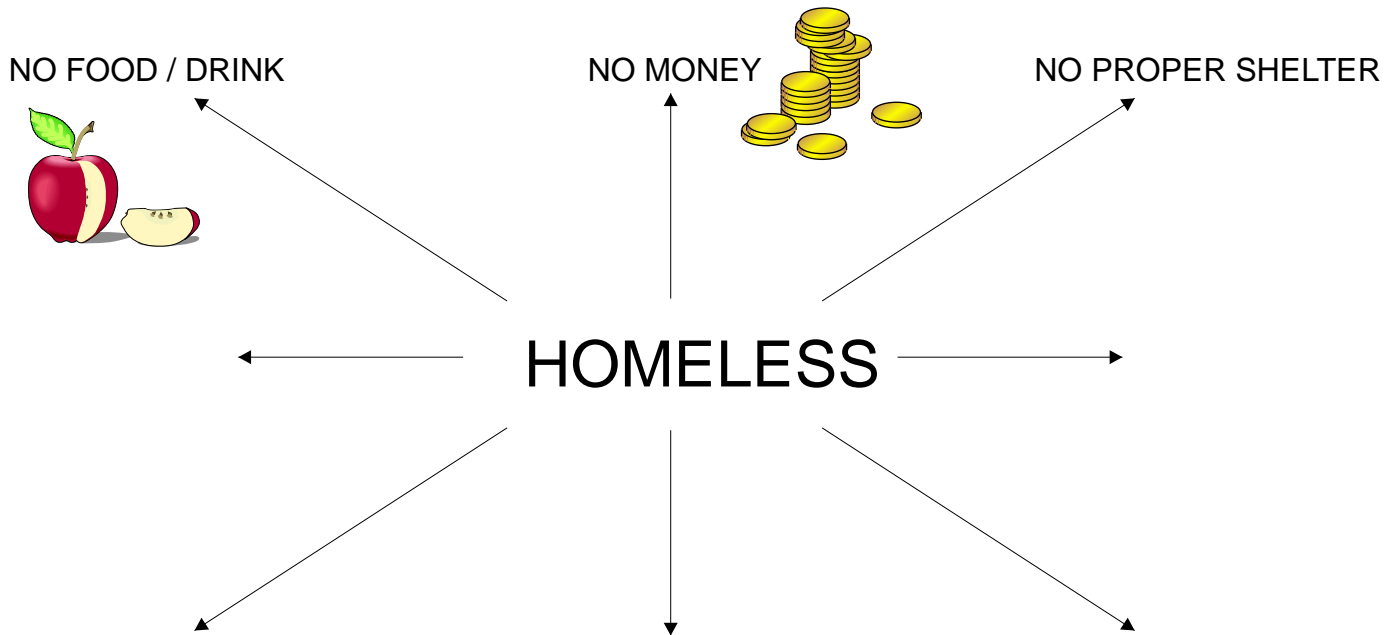
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Most people have a home in which they enjoy all the comforts we expect in life. These include food, warmth, television, internet/phone and the company of others. Becoming homeless can happen to almost anyone. In the space below write down how you think this can happen. The key phrases below, may help you answer this question.

MADE UNEMPLOYED NOT PAYING RENT ROGUE LANDLORDS RUNNING AWAY FROM HOME
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FAMILY ARGUMENTS / VIOLENCE / ABUSE ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

When you think of a homeless person, what images and pictures come to mind? Complete the rich picture below, adding images/pictures you consider to truly represent homelessness. Add key words/phrases as well.



Often members of the general public consider homeless people as a burden on society or as being lazy and not willing to work. These are stereotype images. Where do the general public get their information about homeless people from? The key phrases below may help you answer this question.

NEWSPAPERS / MAGAZINES TV e.g. SOAPS OR DOCUMENTARIES WHAT WE SEE ON THE STREETS
WHAT WE ARE TOLD BY OTHERS INTERNET CHARITIES SUCH AS 'SHELTER' MUSIC / SONGS

Did you know that many homeless people, have at one time or another, had important jobs such as being in the armed forces. Other homeless people have mental illnesses that mean they cannot cope with normal life. Some homeless people have owned businesses, homes and had families and then lost everything. This can be due to divorce, bereavement and bankruptcy. Can you think of any other reasons a person may become homeless?
