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The Sneaky Threat: Dangers of Secondhand Smoke

Short Answer Key

1. One harmful chemical found in secondhand smoke is nicotine.
2. Pregnant women are vulnerable because exposure to secondhand smoke during pregnancy can lead to low birth weight, premature birth, and developmental issues in the baby.
3. Secondhand smoke can increase a person's risk of heart disease by damaging blood vessels and lung cancer by exposing them to cancer-causing chemicals.
4. Nonsmokers can protect themselves and others from secondhand smoke by avoiding places where people smoke and encouraging smokers to quit. They can also create smoke-free environments in their homes and cars.
5. It's important to create smoke-free environments in homes and cars to reduce exposure to secondhand smoke, especially for children and pregnant women, and to promote better overall health.

