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***Banda brothers***

The Banda solvent in essence was a common substitute for drugs. Teachers knew this. Senior management knew this. The Government knew this, but realised that it was an excellent way to keep the profession docile and unwilling to get uppity. Daily access to the Banda was enough to make even the most radical Trotskyist roll over and accept yet another increase in taxation. Many now attribute growing teacher union militancy in the 1980s to the demise of the Banda and reliance on hazard-free worksheet production. Pupils also benefited vicariously because of the lingering after-glow of the Banda weed on the worksheets.