



**Topics;
Consent, CSE,
Pornography**

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intimate relationship?**

Consent

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The age of consent for sex; England and Wales

The age of consent to any form of sexual activity is 16 for both men and women. The age of consent is the same regardless of the gender or sexual orientation of a person and whether the sexual activity is between people of the same or different gender.

It is an offence for anyone to have any sexual activity with a person under the age of 16. However, Home Office guidance [\[1\]](#) is clear that there is no intention to prosecute teenagers under the age of 16 where both mutually agree and where they are of a similar age.

It is an offence for a person aged 18 or over to have any sexual activity with a person under the age of 18 if the older person holds a position of trust (for example a teacher or social worker) as such sexual activity is an abuse of the position of trust.

The Sexual Offences Act 2003 provides specific legal protection for children aged 12 and under who cannot legally give their consent to any form of sexual activity. There is a maximum sentence of life imprisonment for rape, assault by penetration, and causing or inciting a child to engage in sexual activity.

Pornography

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the Oxford English Dictionary defines pornography as:

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Is watching pornography harmful

If so, how, why and to whom



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What are the differences between what can be seen online and real life relationships?

The Oxford English Dictionary defines pornography as; 'Printed or visual material containing the explicit description or display of sexual organs or activity intended to stimulate sexual excitement'

Pornography and the law



You can legally buy porn magazines and videos at 18

All regulated porn websites try to prevent under 18's from accessing them.

Certain types of porn are illegal – even for an adult to be in possession of. These are called 'extreme pornographic images'

It is illegal for a person under 18 to send explicit images or films of themselves, or of another young person.

Studies have shown that when young people are exposed to sexually explicit material they are at a higher risk of;

- Unrealistic attitudes about sex and consent
- Negative attitudes towards roles and identities in relationships
- More casual attitude to sex
- Unrealistic expectations of body image and performance.

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Can you think of two negative effects of pornography on relationships

Porn puts pressure on people, especially girls and women to look a certain way.

Can you think of two positive effect of watching pornography on relationships?

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Task; How can the exposure to pornography effect behaviour and attitudes within relationships?



Can you think of two negative effects of pornography on relationships

Portrays non-consensual or manipulative sex

Aggression & violence in porn can lead people to believe that being aggressive and violent in a sexual relationship is acceptable

free online pornography often depicts violence, exploitation, humiliation and denigration, in most part towards women

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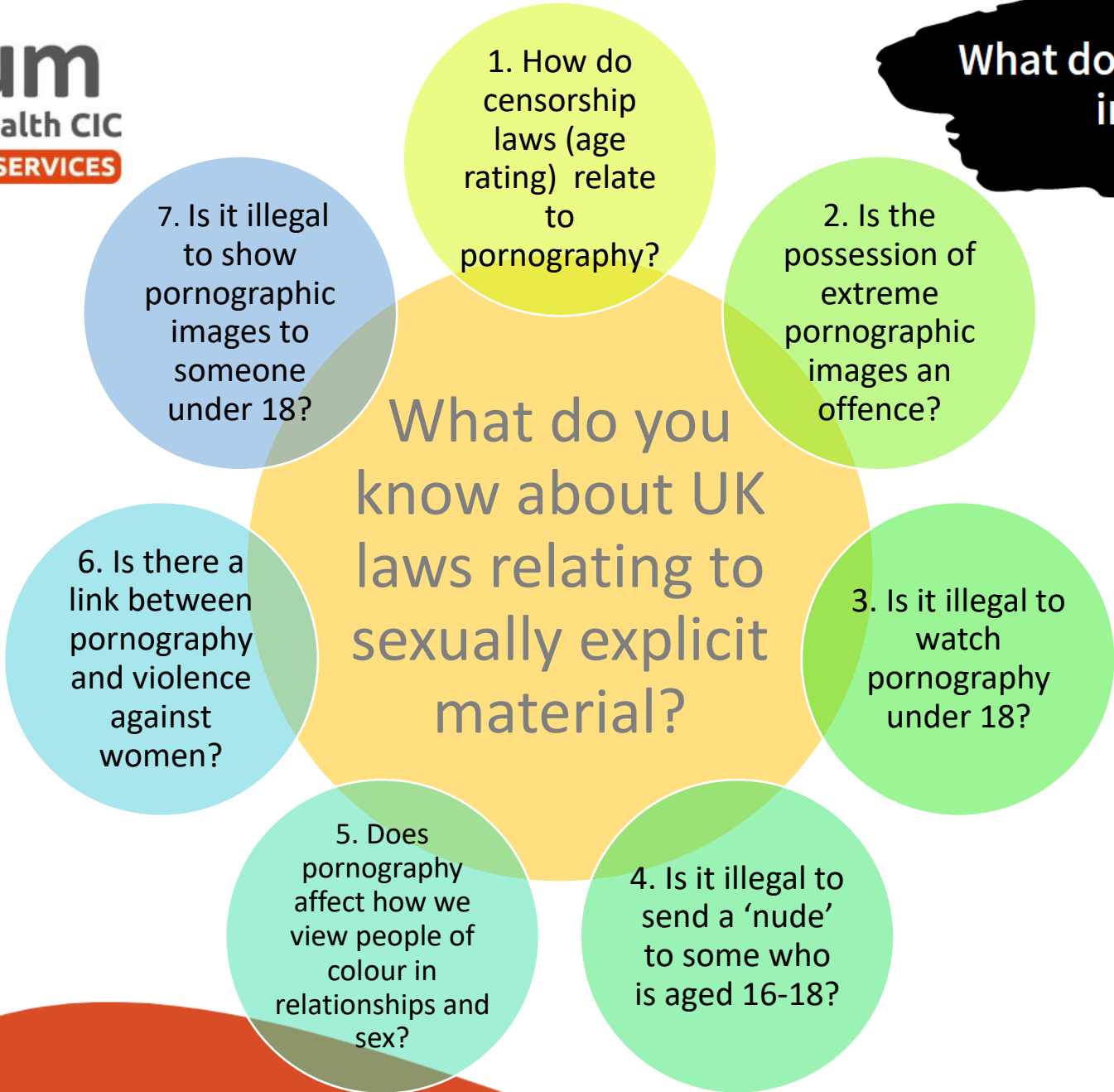
If consensual, viewing it could be seen as entertainment or educational

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Task; How can the exposure to pornography effect behaviour and attitudes within relationships?

Draw a similar image in your books and include your views and the views spoken about during the class debate.

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Write numbers 1-7 in your books and respond to the questions relating to UK laws on pornography

What do you know about UK laws relating to sexually explicit material?

1. How do censorship laws (age rating) relate to pornography?

1

Censorship categories rate all pornography as 18+

2. Is the possession of extreme pornographic images an offence?

2

Content that portrays abuse or rape, as well as any content that involves anyone under the age of 18, is illegal.

3

There is actually no law making the viewing of pornography illegal, even for children - all we have are the censorship categories which rate all porn as 18+

4

Sexting: receiving or sending naked images of a person under 18 is illegal, even if they were taken or sent with their permission.

5

Yes, it fetishes POC with violent stereotypes and makes them be viewed as sexual objects rather than human beings or encourages them to be approached as exotic experiences rather than meaningful connections. People of colour may also feel pressured to fulfil this stereotype if this is what they think relationships and sex should look like.

6

Yes, women can be seen as an object, therefore deprived of freedom, respect and personal dignity.

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It is against the law to show pornography to somebody under 18 or make someone watch it.

7. Is it illegal to show pornographic images to someone under 18?

6. Is there a link between pornography and violence against women?

5. Does pornography affect how we view people of colour in relationships and sex?

4. Is it illegal to send a 'nude' to someone who is aged 16-18?

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The Oxford English Dictionary defines pornography as; 'Printed or visual material containing the explicit description or display of sexual organs or activity intended to stimulate sexual excitement'

1. If you were in charge for a day, what law would you create (or change) in relation to pornography?
2. Who would enforce this law and how?
3. What would be the consequence of breaking the law?

CSE/Grooming

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What is Child Sexual Exploitation?



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- Child sexual exploitation is a form of child abuse
- Someone under the age of 18 is persuaded or manipulated (tricked) into sexual activity.

Sometimes abusers use violence and intimidation to frighten or force a child or young person, making them feel as if they have no choice.

[Childline](#) offers free, confidential advice and support whatever your worry, whenever you need help. Call 0800 1111. If you think there is immediate danger Don't delay – call the police on [999](#). If you would like to report any concerns. If you're worried about CSE you can contact [the NSPCC helpline](#).

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What is Grooming?

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What is grooming?

- Being given things, like gifts, drugs, money, status and affection, in exchange for performing sexual activities.
- Children and young people are often tricked into believing they're in a loving and consensual relationship
 - Anybody can be a perpetrator of CSE, no matter their age, gender or race.
 - The relationship could be framed as friendship, someone to look up to or romantic.
 - Children and young people who are exploited may also be used to 'find' or coerce others to join groups.



Sexual coercion is **unwanted sexual activity** that happens when you are pressured, tricked, threatened, or forced in a nonphysical way. Coercion can make you think you owe sex to someone.

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- 1. Child exploitation is illegal
- 2. It only affects girls
- 3. It mostly affects 16 year olds who are old enough to consent
- 4. Perpetrators often use social media and the internet to find victims
- 5. Often relationships built with the perpetrator appear 'consensual'
- 6. The child or young person can get arrested or get in trouble for their actions while being sexually exploited
- 7. Sexting is harmless if only sent to people known
- 8. CSE happens mostly in large towns and cities
- 9. CSE is under reported

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While watching the film consider:

1. Were there any warning signs that could have been picked up on by her friends?
2. Can exploitation happen to boys as well as girls? Explain your answer.
3. Do you remember from the previous slide any support services for concerns you might have about friends experiencing CSE?

VIDEO: The Girl

How did the abuser make her feel so special?

Presents...

He was older

He listened to her

Exciting

Had alcohol

Made her feel grown-up

Said she looked lovely – flattered her

VIDEO: The Man

What does it mean to feel 'safe' in an intimate relationship?

Why did he make her feel so special?

Gain her trust

Gain her friendship

Exploit and use her

To isolate and distance her from friends and family

To control her...

To Groom Her

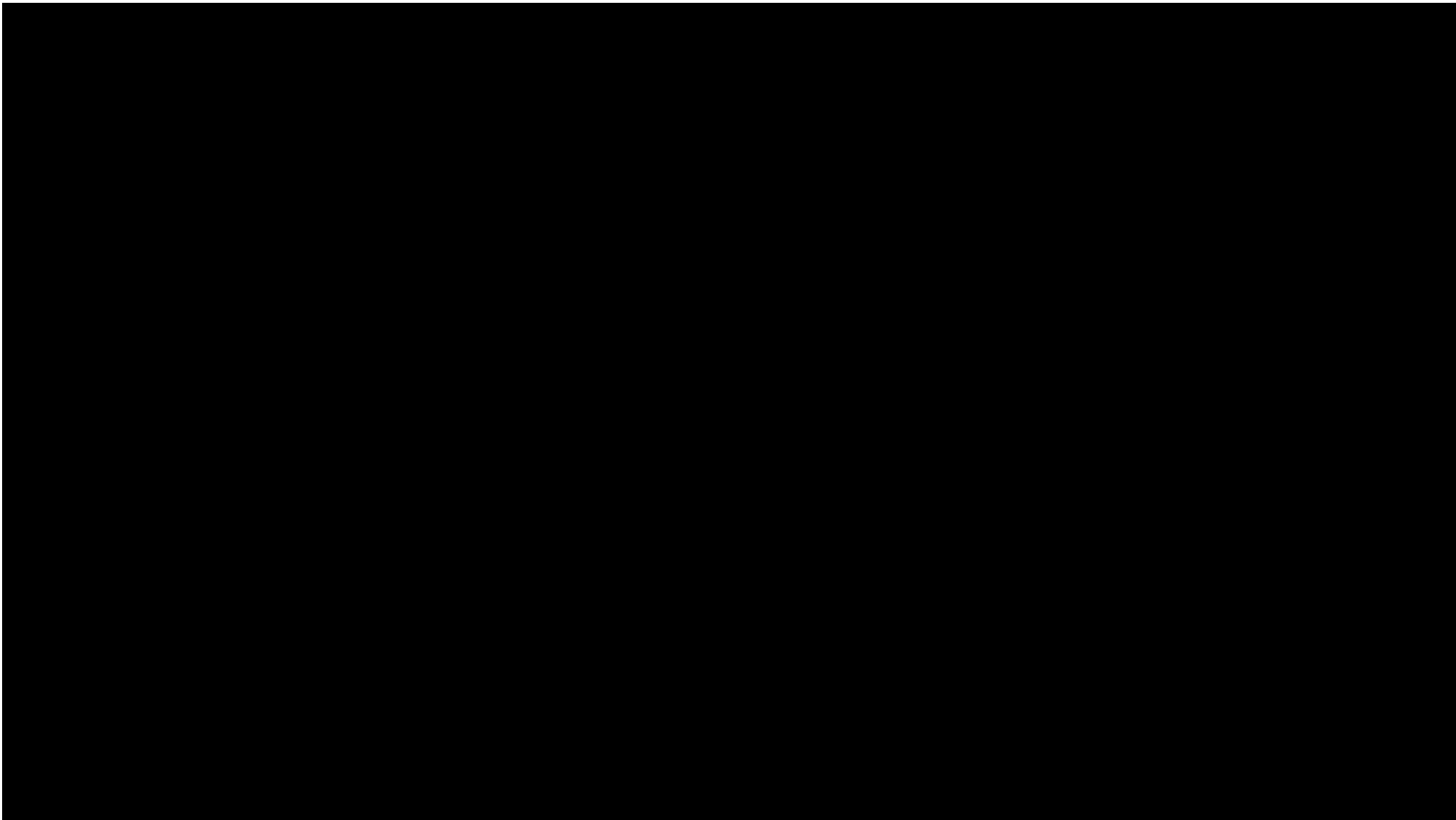
VIDEO: The Girl

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Could anything have been done to prevent this situation from happening?

Family/friends/teachers should have noticed.
Realised that she was in danger when he was giving her presents/alcohol

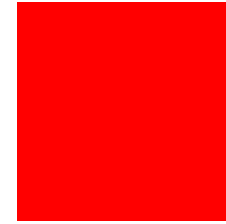
It is everyone's responsibility to spot the signs of exploitation.



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How risky are these situations?

Very risky – Red



Medium risk – Amber

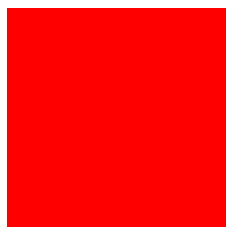


Low risk - Green



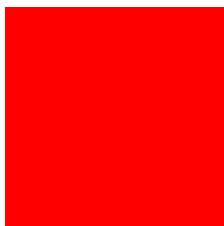
How risky?

Not feeling like
you have anyone
looking out for you



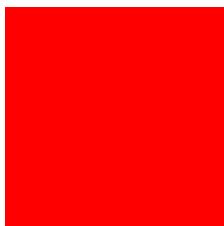
How risky?

Agreeing to meet
someone alone having
met them online



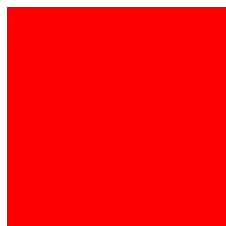
How risky?

Needing money,
food or a place to
stay.



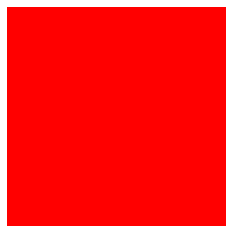
How risky?

Giving someone you
don't know your
contact information



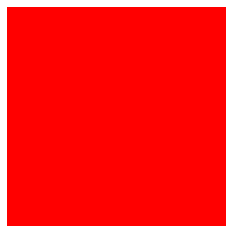
How risky?

Using social media
with controlled
privacy settings



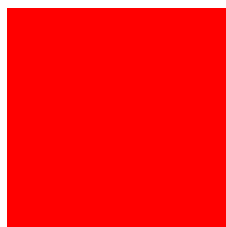
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Getting into a car
with someone you
don't know

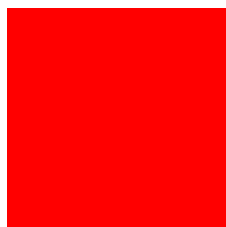


How risky?

Going to a house
you've never been
to before

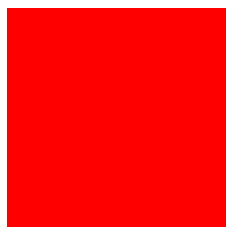


Getting a taxi
with friends



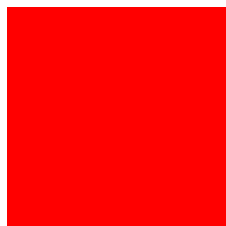
How risky?

Getting a taxi
alone



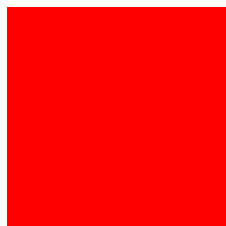
How risky?

Going out alone
during the day



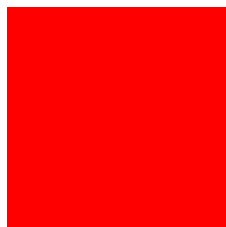
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Accepting gifts
from someone you
have just met



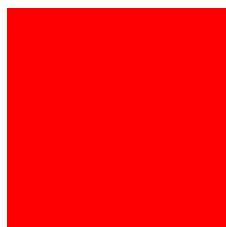
How risky?

Sending or posting
indecent images
on the Internet



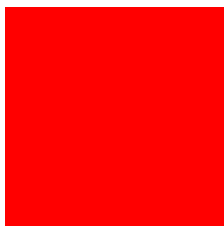
How risky?

Accepting a drink
from someone you
don't know



How risky?

Being drunk/high
on drugs





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- Emergency contraception
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- PEPSE (Post exposure prophylaxis following HIV exposure)
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Are you under 19?

Our Relationship & Sex Education Team are available to support home learning and keeping you safe, and can discuss the following:

- Healthy and unhealthy relationships
- Understanding influences and building resilience and self-esteem
- General information around contraception, STIs & accessing sexual health services
- Positive and safe use of social media

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