

Safeguarding Young People

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What is the legal definition of the
age of a **child**?

*Any person under the age of 18
years*

What age can you legally have
sex?

16 years old

What is the age of Criminal
Responsibility?

10 Years of Age

Do you know the meaning of **CONSENT?**

- **Consent means that both people in a sexual encounter must agree to it. Either person can change their mind at any time!!!!**
 - **Consenting to kiss your boyfriend/girlfriend does not mean that you consent to having sex with them.**
 - **Consenting on one occasion does not mean you consent to other occasions.**
 - **If someone is drunk, on drugs, asleep or unconscious then that person cannot give consent. Having sex with this person would be an offence.**
 - **Age can also determine whether a person can legally consent.**
 - **Having sex with someone under the age of 16 is legally considered a crime, even if the person under the age of consent says that she or he wanted the sex to take place.**
- "No" means "No"**

CONSENT

- Anyone fancy a cup of tea.....
- It may help you all understand consent....

Who owns a smart phone?

Social Media Site's

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

(Age specified as of 2014)

Twitter
Facebook
Instagram
Pinterest
Google+
Tumblr
Reddit
Snapchat
Secret



LinkedIn



WhatsApp



Vine
Tinder



Path



YouTube
Keek
Foursquare
WeChat
Kik
Flickr



Do's and Don'ts of Social Media

- Do keep all account settings to private
- Don't give out personal details
- Don't accept friend requests from people you don't know
- Remember once you post an image you have lost control of it
- Don't send images that you wouldn't want your parents to see!
- Remember that not everyone online is who they say they are
- Don't meet anyone you have met online

Indecent images

- What is an indecent image?
- Sending, receiving or storing an indecent image of a child is illegal at any age.

Grooming & Exploitation

- Grooming is when someone builds an emotional connection with a child to gain their trust for the purpose of sexual abuse or exploitation.
- Grooming and sexual exploitation can occur through use of technology without you recognising it.

Sexual Exploitation

- Sexual exploitation is a type of sexual abuse.
- Young people in these situations receive something such as gifts, money or affection as a result of sexual activities
- Sexual exploitation is a hidden crime. Young people often trust their abuser and don't understand that they're being abused. They may depend on their abuser or be too scared to tell anyone what's happening.
- Sexual exploitation doesn't always involve physical contact and can happen online

Case Studies



- **Kayleigh Haywood aged 15**
- **She made friends with Luke Harlow on Facebook. Over the course of 2 weeks they exchanged 2643 messages. Harlow told her she was beautiful, how much he cared for her and that she was special.**
- **Harlow was grooming Kayleigh, along with 2 other girls he had also been speaking to. It was Kayleigh that agreed to his requests to spend the night at his house.**
- **Kayleigh was murdered by Luke Harlow after meeting with him at his home.**

It doesn't just happen to girls...



- **Breck Bednar, 14, was murdered by Lewis Daynes 18**
- **Daynes groomed Breck on an online gaming forum, playing games like Call of Duty. They talked for months online.**
- **He sent him a secret phone and isolated him from his friends and family**
- **Breck told his parents he was sleeping at a friend's house near their home, but secretly travelled to see Daynes.**
- **Daynes killed Breck.**

Types Of Exploitation

Groups
& gangs

Older
boyfrien
d or
girlfriend

Sexual
bullying

Familial

Opportunistic

Cyber/
online
bullying

Trafficked

Possible Signs of Sexual Exploitation

If you're worried that a child is being abused, watch out for any unusual behaviour;

Withdrawn - suddenly behaves differently –
anxious – clingy – depressed – aggressive -
problems sleeping - eating disorders - wets the
bed - soils clothes - takes risks - misses school -
changes in eating habits - obsessive behaviour
– nightmares – drugs – alcohol - self-harm
thoughts about suicide.

What to do if you suspect a friend,
family member or young person maybe
a victim of
Child Sexual Exploitation

- Report this to someone you can trust- your teachers, parents or police.

Other useful numbers

- NSPCC – 0808 800 5000
- Child line – 0800 1111
- Relate – 0300 100 1234
- Say Something Help line – 116 000

Thank you

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