

Playing it S.A.F.E.



- **Sexual Exploitation:** When someone is given gifts, drugs, money, or affection in exchange for sexual activities.

Examples of Sexual Exploitation include:

- Unwanted sexual touching
- Refusing to use safe sex practices
- Forcing a person to perform sexual intercourse with anyone
- Demanding a sexual act or making a sexual act a condition for any type of assistance



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Signs of Sexual Exploitation

- Being in a “romantic” relationship with someone older
- Having a new group of friends
- Big changes in behavior such as: involved in a criminal activity; having money, expensive clothes/gifts they cannot explain; alcohol or drug use
- Physical signs of abuse, sexually transmitted diseases, or pregnancy
- Being frightened of certain people, places, or situations.

What Can You Do?

- Realize what happened is NOT YOUR FAULT!
- Go to a place you feel safe.
- Tell a grownup you trust and keep telling different grownups until someone helps you – **use your HELP card or call 1.800.392.3738.**
- Talk to a counselor or therapist!

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