



# Consent



# Group Agreements

Create a supportive space

Participate please!

Respect different perspectives & experiences

Listen to understand (vs. judge)

Ask questions

Remember that we're all learning

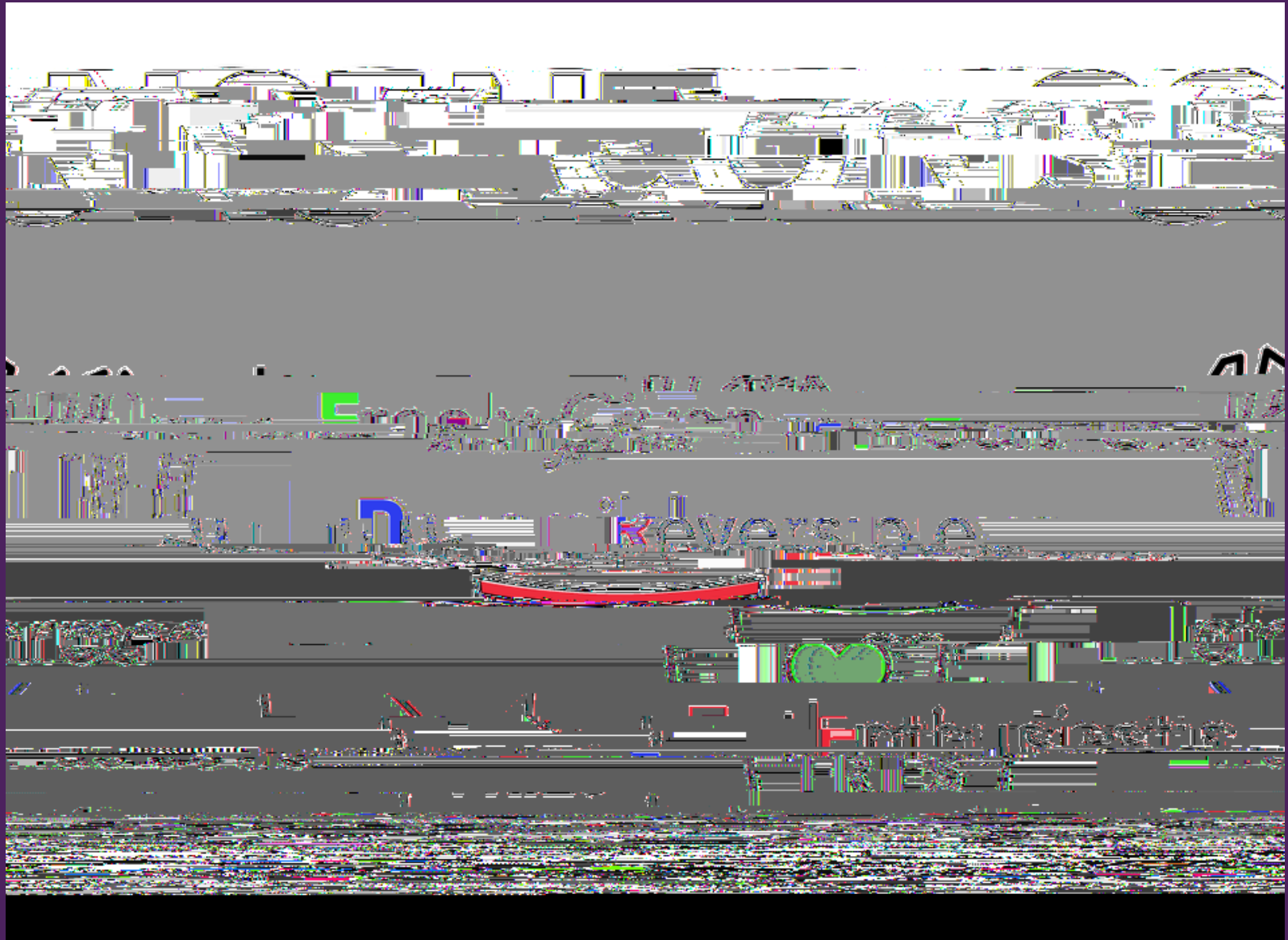
Take care of yourself and others

Would you like a cup of tea?



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fGoWLWS4-kU>

# Consent is like FRIES



# Consent Laws





In WA state, the age of consent is 16

At this age, a person can consent to sex with any adult, regardless of the age difference between them, as long as the older person is not in a position of power over the young person, such as a teacher or coach.

Teens younger than 16 *may* give sexual consent, as long as the partners are close in age

The law says

If the young person is under 12 years old, the older person must be within 24 months older

If the younger person is 12 or 13, the older person must be within 36 months older

If the younger person is 14 or 15, the older person must be within 48 months older



## Alcohol/Drugs & Consent: FAQs

Is sex always nonconsensual when people have been drinking or doing drugs?

Sexting



## Scenario Practice #1

There is a new student at school and you think they're kind of cute and might be interested in something with them. They get your number and text you, "Hey." You're not expecting that, so you text back, "Who is this?" The answer you get is, "It's me," followed by a naked picture of them.

*What should you do?*

## Scenario Practice #2

You're in a relationship with someone, and often send texts talking about how attracted you are to each other. One day, your partner texts, "How about sending me something I can look at and think of you?" You send a naked pic with the text, "Just for you, ok?" They text back how much they love it. The next day, three different people show you the picture on their phones. *What should you do?*

## Scenario Practice #3

You and your partner have been together for 6 months and sometimes send naked photos to each other. Neither of you has shared your pictures with anyone else and promised you never would. As the school year goes on, you realize you want to end the relationship, but you are worried because of the photos they have. *What should you do?*

# Consent & Sexting: Before you hit send

Make sure you know the recipient actually wants to receive it—meaning the person consents to sexting with you. Don't send a nude photo before you've asked the other person and have both agreed to it.

Make your expectations clear: many people assume that if they send a message to someone they are dating or flirting with it is somehow implied that the message was meant to be private, but that is often not the case. (1 in 4 sexts are forwarded to other people)

If you are sending a sext-

## Consent & Sexting: For the receiver

Never pressure anyone into sending a sext.

If you receive a consensual sext, do not share the picture or text with friends or classmates. Understand that this is something you've been sent because the other person trusts you so, take that responsibility seriously.

If you receive a nonconsensual sext that makes you feel uncomfortable, ask the person not to send anything else and consider blocking them and talking with a trusted adult—especially if the person continues to text you.

Is this consent?



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Jennifer and Susan have been dating for 2 months. When Jennifer said she wasn't ready to have a physical relationship, Susan was angry because she knew Jennifer had sex with her last girlfriend. Susan threatens to "out" Jennifer on social media unless she agrees to have sex with her.

## Is this consent?

Ernesto and Karen have been dating and having sex for about a year. Ernesto has decided that he wants to go into the military next year and is worried about an unplanned pregnancy. He has decided he wants to stop having sex, and Karen is hurt by this. Karen tries to 'seduce' Ernesto and change his mind.

## Is this consent?

Jamie and Dakota have been dating for 6 months. One night they are making out on Jamie's couch. They pause for a moment and smile. Dakota puts their hand on Jamie's cheek and they continue to kiss.

## Is this consent?

Charlie and Billy have been flirting, sexting and sending nudes. They want to meet up in person. Since they have been explicit in their online activity it is assumed they will have sex.



## Is this consent?

Adrian and Stevie have been dating for a few months. They are messing around one afternoon while Adrian's parents are at work. As things start to heat up, Adrian pauses and asks Stevie if they are ready to have sex. Stevie says yes.

# Strategies for Protecting

## Strategies for Protecting Others:

Speak up when you hear people making comments that show disrespect or disregard for consent - let it be known that's not cool

If you see someone who needs help, (at a party, etc) do something about it! Make sure they are safe

If it's the opposite situation - a friend is trying to get with someone who is drunk or high - pull them aside and tell them what they are doing is wrong or illegal

Remember, the absence of a "no" does not equal "yes"!

Have conversations with your partner or friends about seeking consent



If the person is...



Drunk



High



Asleep



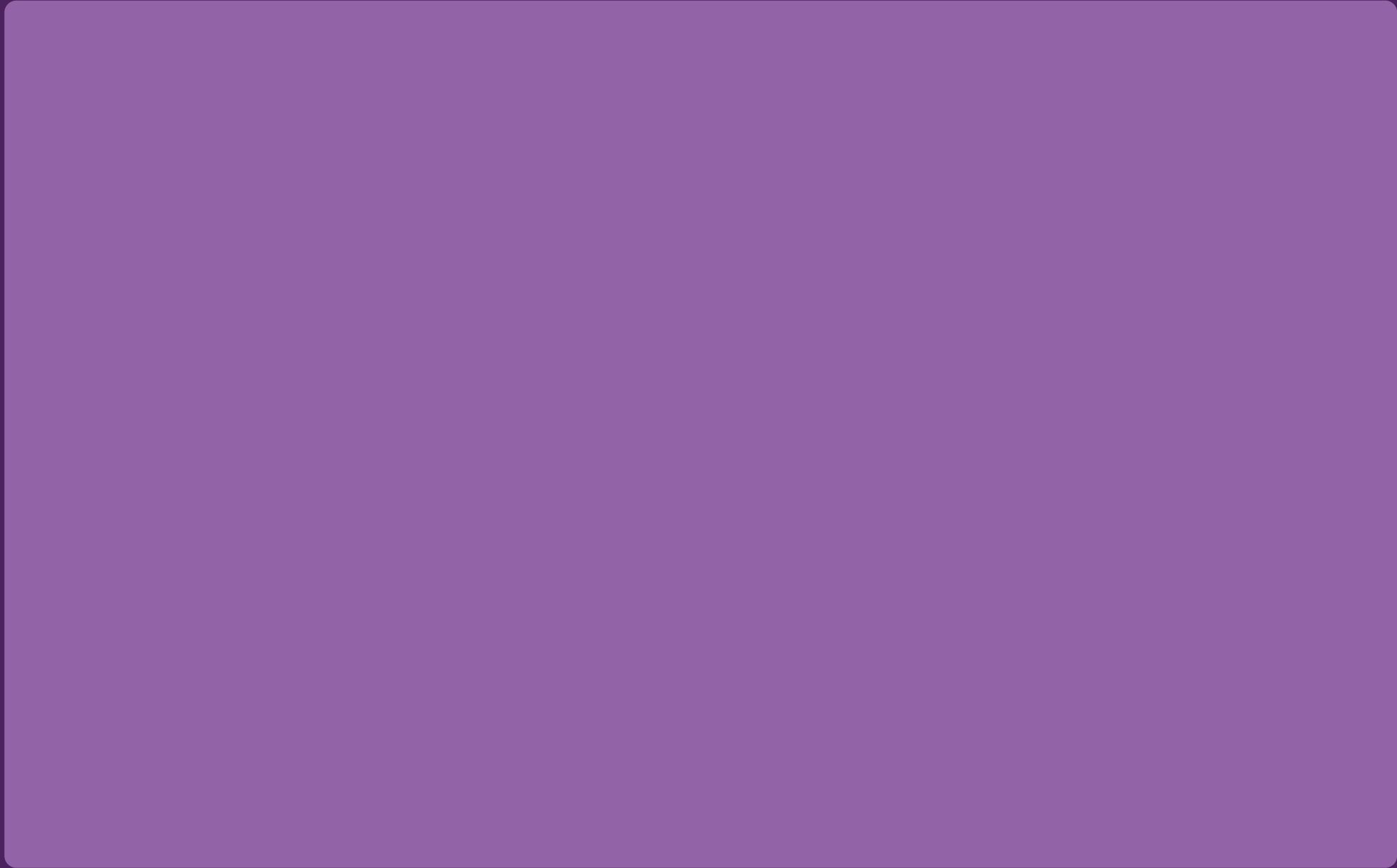
Refusing



Silent

... there is NO CONSENT





# Interested?



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