

What About Respect?

Anyone you're with (whether talking, hanging out, or hooking up) should:

- ✓ Make you feel safe and comfortable.
- ✓ Not pressure you or try to get you drunk or high because they want to have sex with you.
- ✓ Respect your boundaries and ask if it's ok to touch or kiss you (or whatever else).

How would you want your best friend, sister, or brother to be treated by someone they were going out with? Ask yourself if the person you are seeing treats you with respect, and if you treat them with respect.

How to Help a Friend

Do you have a friend who you think is in an unhealthy relationship?

Try these steps to help them:

- ✓ Tell your friend what you have seen in their relationship concerns you.
- ✓ Talk in a private place, and don't tell other friends what was said.
- ✓ Show them www.loveisrespect.org and give them a copy of this card.
- ✓ If you or someone you know is feeling so sad that they plan to hurt themselves and/or wish they could die—get help.

Suicide Hotline: 1-800-273-8255

If you or someone you know ever just wants to talk, you can call these numbers. All of these hotlines are free, confidential, and you can talk to someone without giving your name.

National Teen Dating Abuse Helpline
1-866-331-9474 or online chat
www.loveisrespect.org

Suicide Prevention Hotline
1-800-273-8255

Teen Runaway Hotline
1-800-621-4000

**Rape, Abuse, Incest,
National Network (RAINN)**
1-800-656-HOPE (1-800-656-4673)



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Hanging out or Hooking up?

How is it Going?

Does the person you are seeing (like a boyfriend or a girlfriend):

- ✓ Treat you well?
- ✓ Respect you (including what you feel comfortable doing sexually)?
- ✓ Give you space to hang out with your friends?
- ✓ Let you wear what you want to wear?

If you answered YES—it sounds like they care about you.

And on a Bad Day?

How often does the person you are seeing:

- ✓ Shame you or make you feel stupid?
- ✓ Pressure you to go to the next step when you're not ready?
- ✓ Control where you go, or make you afraid?
- ✓ Grab your arm, yell at you, or push you when they are angry or frustrated?

Nobody deserves to be treated this way. If these things ever happen in your relationship, talk to someone about it. For more info, go to www.loveisrespect.org.

Everybody Texts

Getting a lot of texts can feel good—"Wow, this person really likes me."

What happens when the texts start making you uncomfortable, nervous, or they keep coming nonstop?

Figuring out what to say can be hard, especially if you like the person.

Be honest. "You know I really like you, but I really don't like it when you, text me about where I am all the time or pressure me for naked pics." For more tips on what to say go to: www.thatsnotcool.com.

What About Sex?

Can you talk to the person you are seeing about:

- ✓ How far you want to go sexually?
- ✓ What you don't want to do?
- ✓ Preventing STDs by using condoms?
- ✓ Birth control?

If you answered NO to any of these questions, maybe this person is pushing you to do things you don't want to do. Or you might not feel comfortable bringing this up. Try using this card as a conversation starter. "I got this card in a clinic and wanted to talk about it with you."

