



High School Engagement- Grade 12

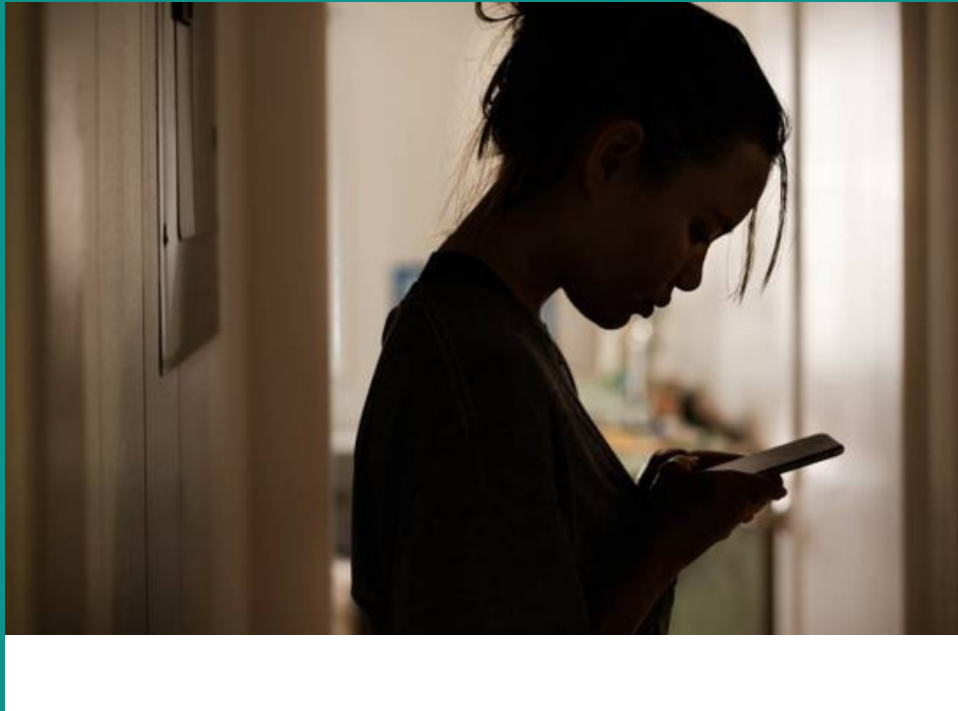
Exploitation & How to Identify It

PREVENTION THROUGH EDUCATION IS THE SOLUTION

Connect for Freedom is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit committed to providing free **online safety** and **human trafficking awareness** materials to education stakeholders.



Lesson



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Lesson Outline

1. Introduction to Exploitation
2. Fight Child Abuse “Sexual Abuse in the Family”
Video (5 min.)
 - Discussion Questions
3. Kent Police “Modern slavery and human trafficking” Video (1 min.)
4. Real Life Story
 - Christian
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 - Mary
 - Discussion Questions
5. know2protect Handout: How2Spot Online Predators
6. Activity

What is Child Exploitation?

Child exploitation refers to a range of crimes that include the exploitation of a minor for **sexual, financial, or other personal gain**.

SchoolSafety.gov



As technology evolves and more people have access to the internet, **youth are at a greater risk than ever**.

Department of Homeland Security

Predators can be **someone a minor knows personally** or someone online who gains their trust over time.

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Types of Exploitation of Children

Sexual exploitation



Forced labor



Child marriage



Use of children in armed conflict



Who Commits Child Exploitation?



When we think of child exploitation, we often think of a stranger abducting a minor from their family. But **child exploitation is more likely to happen by someone the minor knows in real life**. This person can be a parent, family member, teacher, coach, pastor, etc.

The person is often someone that is trusted and someone the youth's parents and family trust as well.

Child Sexual Exploitation Statistics



Child sexual abuse material (CSAM) is any visual depiction of sexually explicit conduct involving a minor.

National Center for Missing & Exploited Children

67% of all identified child victims with child sexual abuse material in circulation online are **prepubescent or younger** (infants and toddlers).

Thorn

2 in 3 victims are abused by someone known to them in their offline communities.

Thorn

Males are more likely to be seen in imagery with **higher levels of violence** than female victims.

INTERPOL & ECPAT

Fight Child Abuse “Sexual Abuse in the Family” Video



Duration: 4:46 minutes

Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WOyg6IrfuzA>

Fight Child Abuse “Sexual Abuse in the Family” Teacher Led Discussion Questions

Human trafficking can affect anyone, regardless of age, race, gender, sexual orientation, financial status, etc.

What are some factors that can make someone more vulnerable to being human trafficked?

What are some things we can do to stop human trafficking?

Kent Police “Modern slavery and human trafficking” Video



Duration: 1:06 minutes

Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vkSU5r9rdUY>

Real Life Story- Christian

Christian, 15, comes into school with his hand wrapped up in bandages. Christian explains to his teacher that he was injured using a machine at work. Christian becomes very uncomfortable answering questions about his job.

He tells his teacher that his entire family works for this business and he doesn't want to get anyone in trouble. He explains that their boss took care of the injury because he told Christian's parents that if Christian went to the emergency room, they would be deported.

Christian tells his teacher that his family owes the boss for helping them get to the United States. He is afraid to answer any other questions and says they just need to keep working for their boss until their debt is paid off or else the boss says he won't give them back their documentation and will call ICE on them.

Real Life Story- Christian Teacher Led Discussion Questions

Christian was very worried about his parent's immigration status in the United States. He feared deportation for not only himself, but his entire family.

What other manipulation tactics do you think criminals do to exploit their victims?

Do you think that Christian was smart to turn to his teacher?

What do you think his teacher can do?

Real Life Story- Mary

Mary, 8, wakes up and gets ready to go to school like any other child. She gets herself ready and gets on the bus a couple houses down on her street. Mary is a quiet and shy girl, but enjoys going to school and being around her peers. She is dreading when the clock strikes 3:00 PM and she has to go back home.

Once Mary gets home, her mother is waiting for her. She doesn't ask Mary about her day, she just pushes her towards the bathroom door and tells her she has ten minutes to shower and get ready. Mary knows if she doesn't listen her mother will hit her, so she obeys. She does not want to upset her mother.

Once Mary gets out of the bathroom, she is quickly ushered into her bedroom. The camera is already set up, and as Mary sits on the bed, her mother hits record. The laptop is open and Mary can see herself, and people commenting in an open forum. Mary feels her mother touch her back and sit on the bed with her.

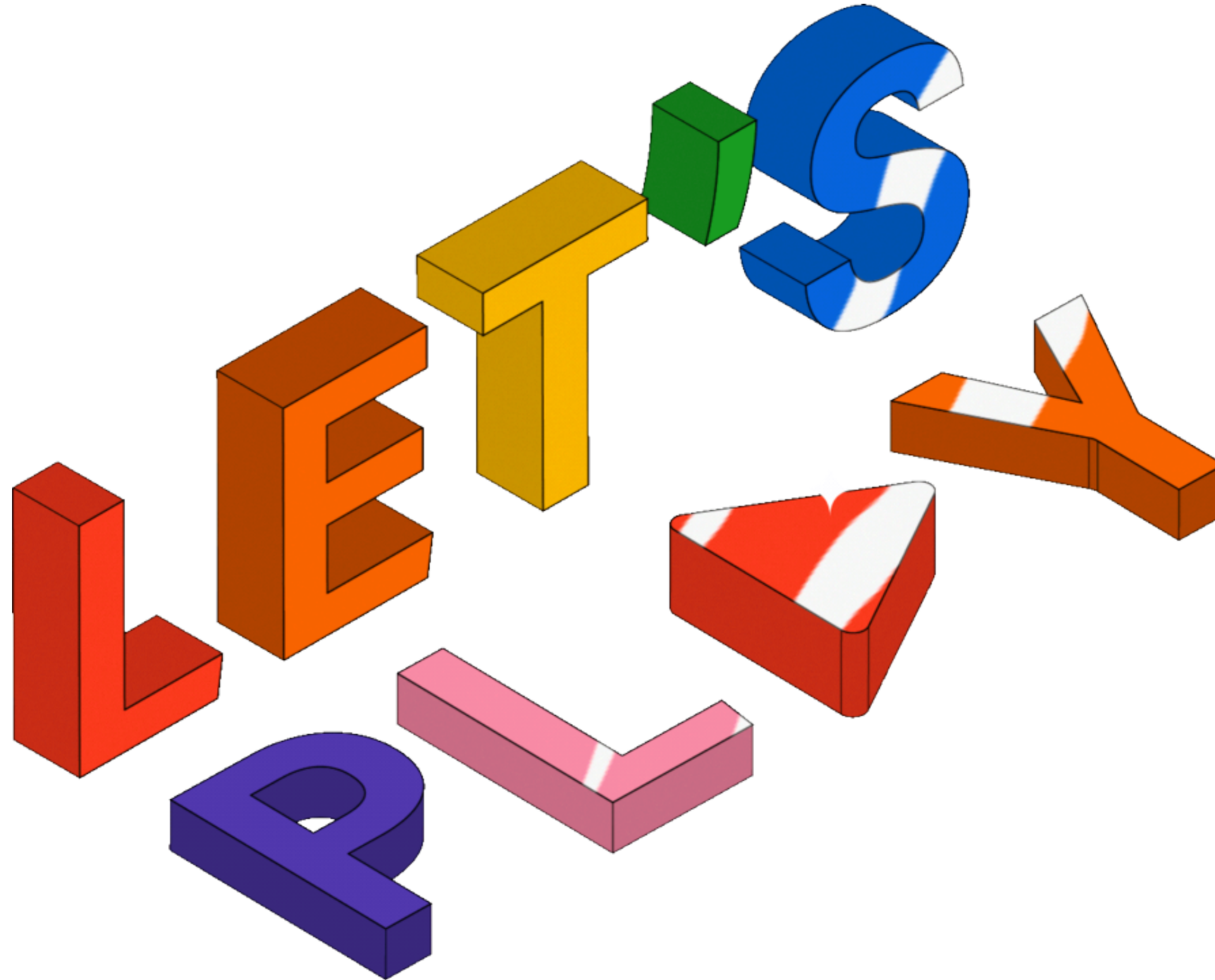
Real Life Story- Mary Teacher Led Discussion Questions

Mary's mother was sexually abusing her and exploiting her for money. This is sadly a common form of child exploitation, and there are many children who are exploited by trusted adults, even family members for financial profit.

How do you think Mary felt in this situation?

Do you think this would be a difficult situation to get out of? Why?

Activity



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We recommend playing
Connect for Freedom
Exploitation Kahoot!.

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Lesson Handout from know2protect



Teens: Some adults can exploit (take advantage of or use) you or your peers in many ways. Sometimes, people who seem safe become unsafe, and they do things or ask you to do things that make you uncomfortable. Police and other adults often call people who do these things predators because they prey on others — but to you, they may just feel like friends or people you know online. They may be friendly, approachable and loving — and they may be someone you already know and trust. Know2Protect is here to help you spot online predators and keep you safe.

Safe people won't:

- ☐ Ask for personal information, such as your phone number or where you live.
- ☐ Share inappropriate images or try to engage you in a sexual conversation.
- ☐ Try to get you to send inappropriate pictures or videos.
- ☐ Threaten or blackmail you to get you to send more inappropriate pictures or videos, money or online gift cards.
- ☐ Ask to meet you in person.

If you feel uncomfortable or suspect a threat, report it to the authorities via the Know2Protect Tipline at **833-591-KNOW** (5669) or call **911**.

Links to Lesson Materials

Oasis Mental Health Applications “Building Healthy Relationships” Video

Alliance to End Human Trafficking “Human Trafficking Basics” Video

know2protect "How2Spot Online Predators" Handout

Connect for Freedom Exploitation Kahoot!

Recap of Lesson

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