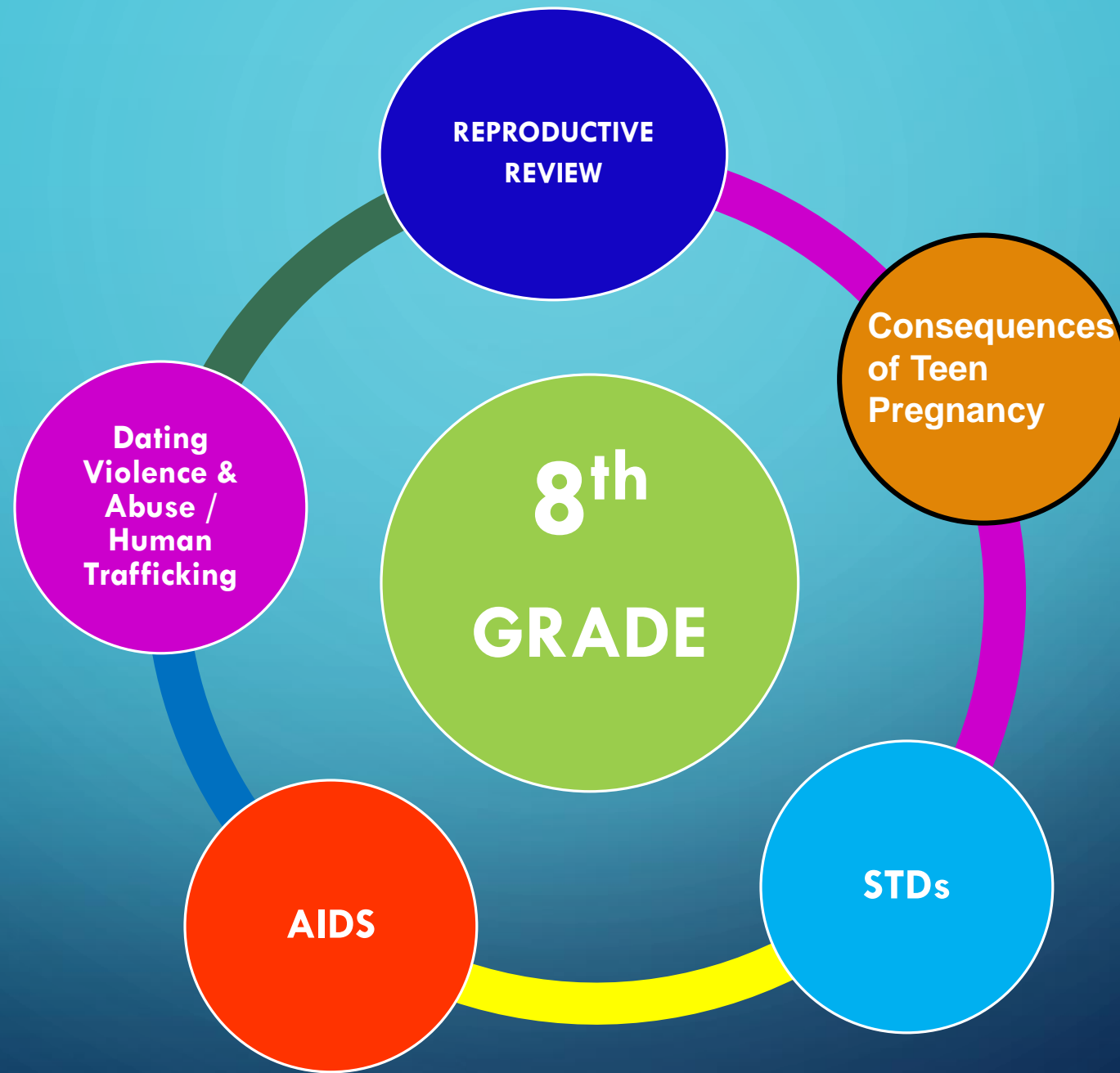




**8th Grade:
Dating Abuse
and
Human Trafficking**



CHAMPS EXPECTATIONS...

- C** Conversation: Level 0 while teaching
- H** Help: Yes, raise your hand
- A** Activity: Workbooks
- M** Movement: Please stay seated
- P** Participation: Ask questions & be respectful
- S** Success: YES! Nurse lessons

A pair of hands is shown from the top and bottom, holding a heart shape made of torn, light-colored paper. The background is a soft, warm-toned image of the hands and the paper heart. The text is overlaid on the heart.

Teen Dating Violence and Abuse

“Choose Respect”

The mission of Polk County Public Schools is to ensure rigorous, relevant learning experiences that result in high achievement for our students.

ESSENTIAL QUESTION:

*How do we recognize or know
dating violence and abuse
when we see it?*



HOW WOULD YOU DEFINE DATING ABUSE?

Dating abuse  Relationship abuse

Definition

Dating violence is a pattern of emotional, verbal, physical, or sexual abuse used by one person in a current or past intimate relationship to exert power and control over another when one or both partners is a student.

HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS

Your partner should like you for who you are.

- ✓ TRUST-There's no way you can have a healthy relationship if you don't trust each other.
- ✓ HONESTY-goes hand-in-hand with trust. It's tough to trust someone when they are not being honest.
- ✓ SUPPORT-Your partner should support you in the good times and the bad.
- ✓ RESPECT-You need to have give-and-take in your relationship...ability to compromise, respect.



WHAT ELSE MAKES A HEALTHY RELATIONSHIP?

- ~Good Communication skills (how you send and receive messages)
- ~Thoughtfulness...being kind
- ~Dependability (trustworthy, reliable)
- ~Willingness to work together to help the relationship grow stronger
- ~Ability to disagree

Source: Glencoe Health

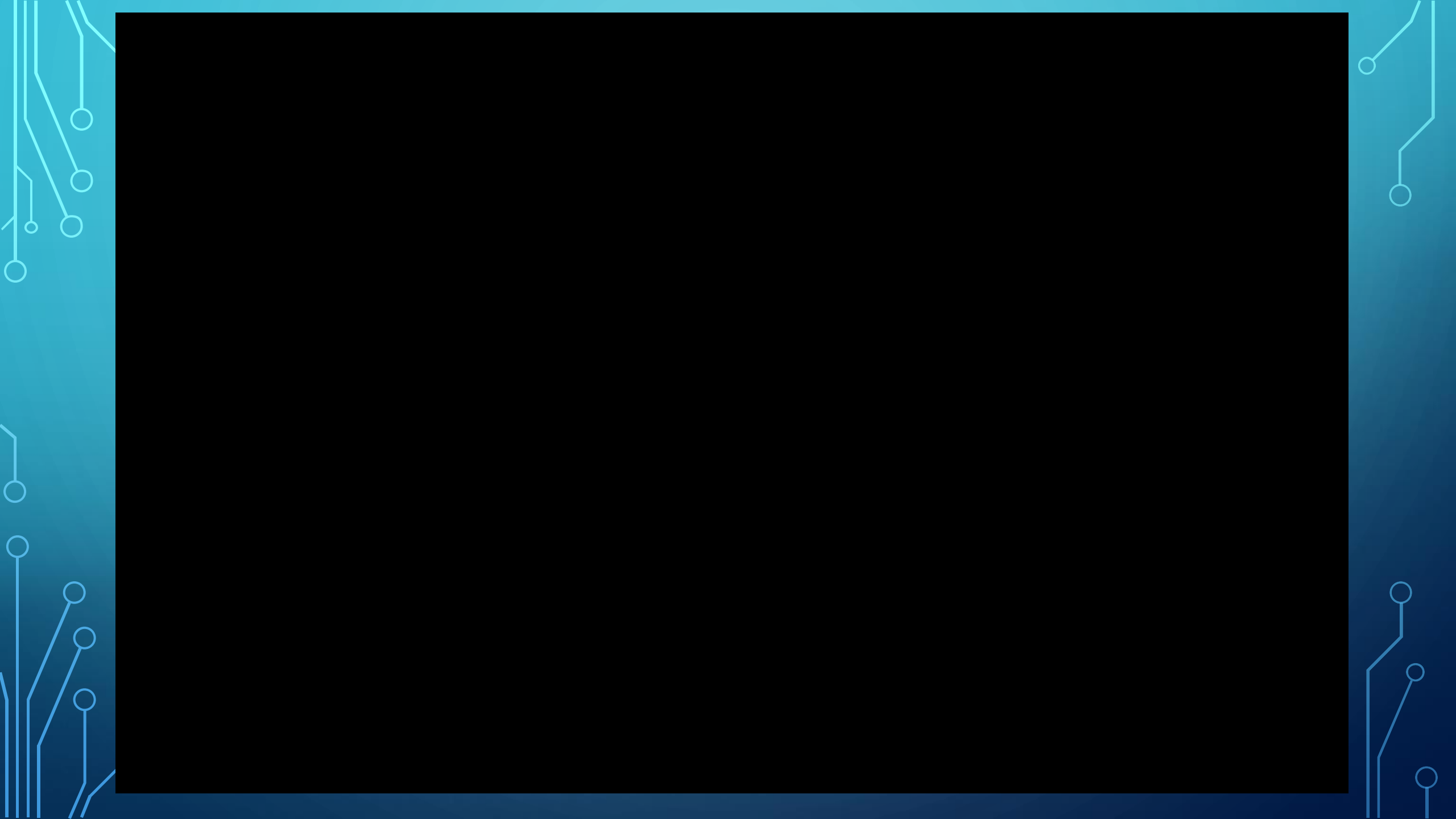


➤ What is Abuse ?

- * Is it Punching and hitting?
- * Is it domineering or controlling behaviors?
- * Is it unwanted sexual advances?
- * Is it yelling and screaming?
- * What about threats?
- * Is it malicious or hurtful rumors?
- * Is it insults?
- * What about texting? Can you abuse someone via texting?



All of this counts as abuse!



HOW DOES ABUSE PROGRESS?

Too serious – Too fast

Controlling: Wanting to know where you are, what you are doing all the time.

Jealousy/Possessive

Disrespecting a partner.

Put-downs in front of others.

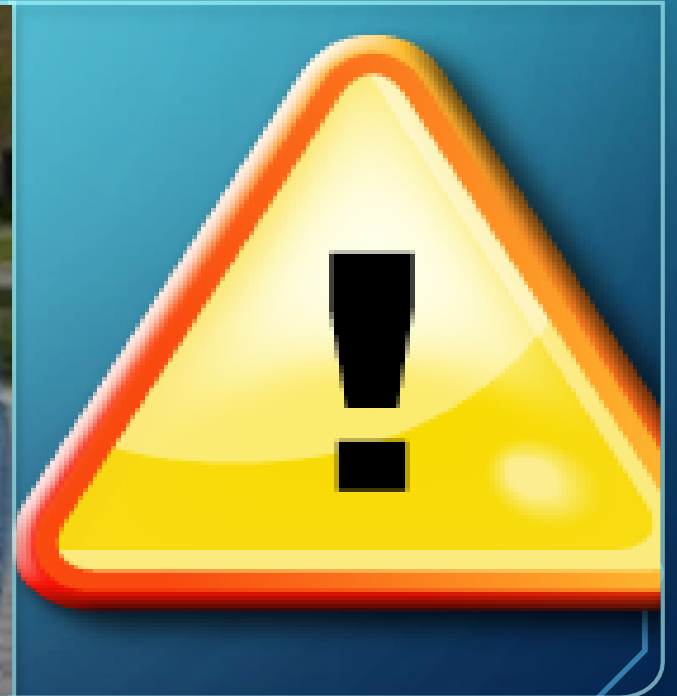
Steals or insists on having passwords for social networks, phone, etc.

Won't accept boundaries or breaking up.

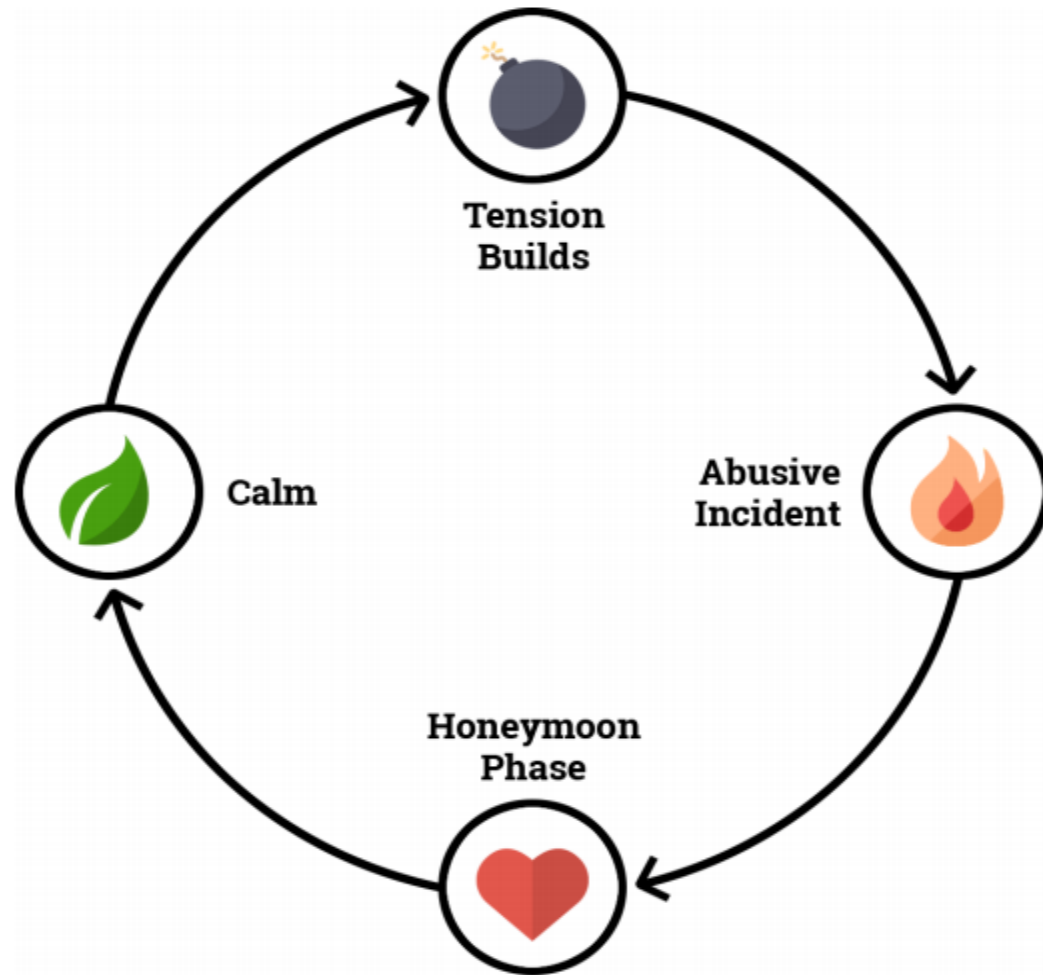
Family and friends concerned for safety.

DO YOU...

- **Feel less confident about yourself?**
- **Worry about verbal or physical attacks?**
- **Make excuses for boyfriend/girlfriend's behavior?**
- **Hide the truth from others?**
- **Fear what will happen if you try to break up?**



The Cycle of Abuse



💣 Tension Builds
Stress begins to grow from the pressures of daily life, or other points of conflict. The victim may attempt to reduce tension by complying with the abuser.

🔥 Abusive Incident
Verbal, emotional, physical, or sexual abuse occurs. This includes anger, intimidation, threats, and other forms of abuse.

❤️ Honeymoon Phase
The abuser apologizes, shows remorse, and often begs for forgiveness. They may shower the victim with love and affection, and promise that the abuse will never happen again.

🌿 Calm
The relationship enters a period of calm where the abuse stops or slows. The abuser may continue to ask for forgiveness, or make positive gestures, but these tend to reduce in sincerity over time.

HAVE YOU SEEN OR HEARD ABOUT ABUSE 

Do you know:

1 in 4

- 8th and 9th graders reported having experienced dating violence

1 in 4

- girls in grades 9 through 12 reported being abused by someone they've dated

Source: CDC/Choose Respect

Did you know that 40% - 50% of the time abuse occurs in front of other teens, yet no one reports it. Why?



Power and Control Wheel

- Easy to Anger
- Intimidation
- Control
- Threats
- Blame
- Isolation

Teen Dating Violence: Power & Control Wheel

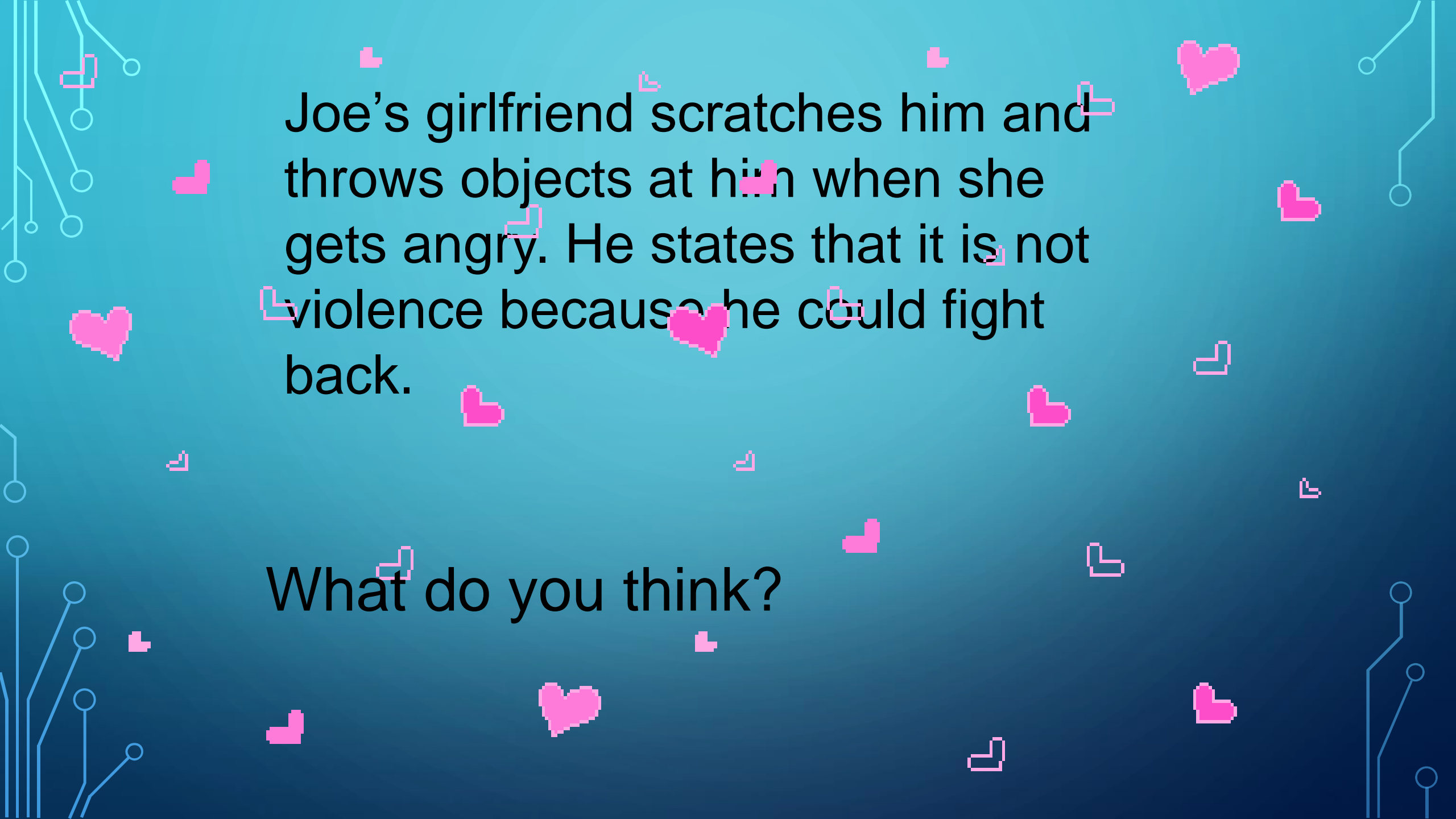


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www.TheDuluthModel.org

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DANGER
THIN ICE




Joe's girlfriend scratches him and throws objects at him when she gets angry. He states that it is not violence because he could fight back.

What do you think?

Tony and Krista have been dating for a couple of weeks. One day, Krista decides to wear her favorite sweater to school. Krista asks Tony if he likes her sweater. Tony responds that he doesn't like the sweater and tells Krista that it makes her look cheap(or sloppy) and tells her to change. He further complains that she never thinks about him, just about herself. She changes her sweater.

What do you think?

The image features a dark blue gradient background with white circuit-like lines in the corners. The text is centered and reads:

**ABUSE IS NEVER
THE VICTIM'S
FAULT!!**

THE ABUSERS:

**Only the abuser
can choose to
stop the violence.**

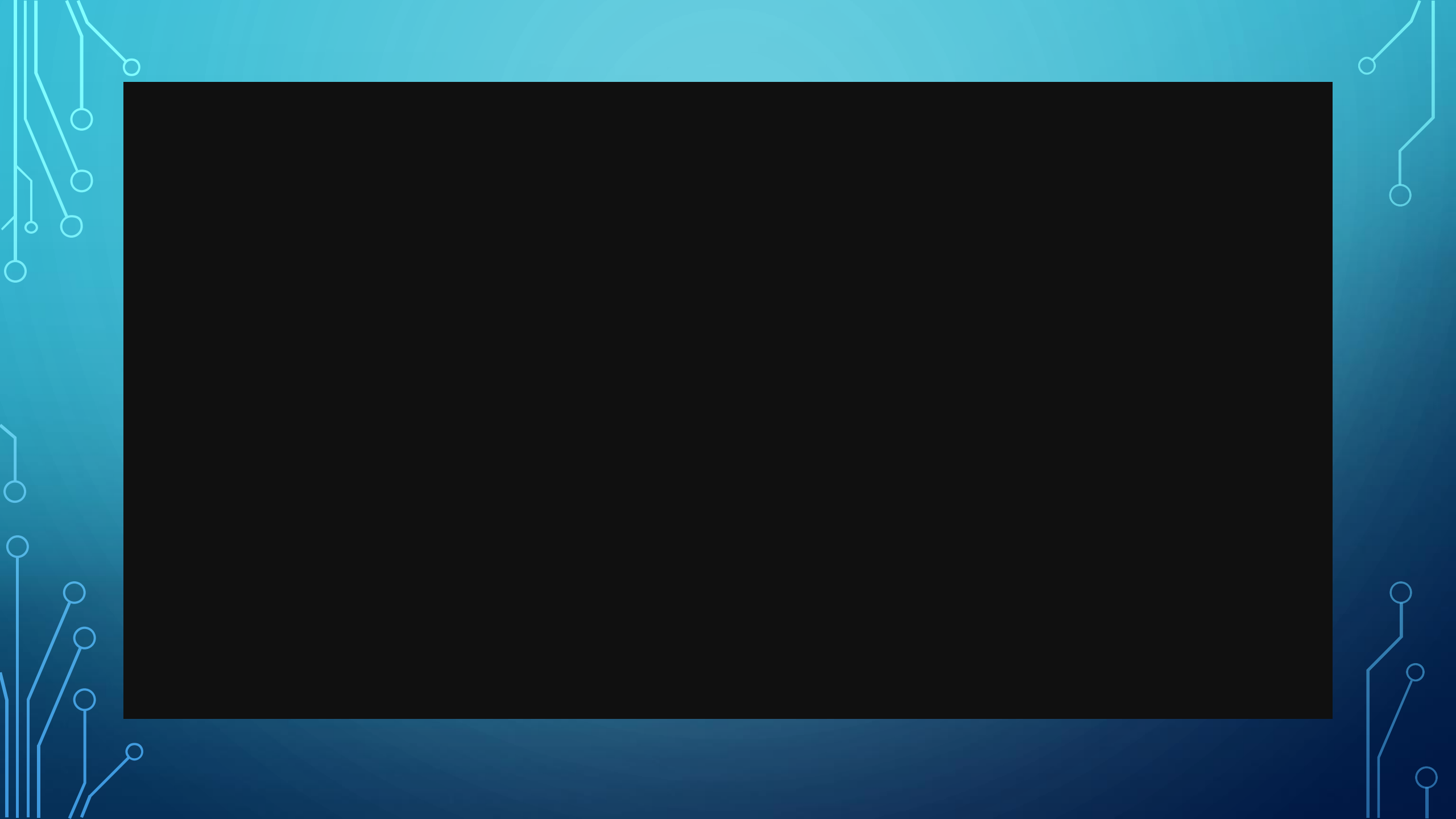


BEHAVIORS?

- ~ **Abusers in teen dating relationships**, use behaviors of power and control because they **CHOOSE** to.
- ~ They believe that they are entitled to use these methods to keep their dating partner under control .
- ~ Abusers tend to make excuses for their use of violence or will usually put the responsibility for their abuse on someone else. For example, “you made me do it” is a statement abusers often use.

Why do Abusers Abuse?

- **THEY CAN.**
- **IT WORKS.**
- **THEY HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY AND SELF INTEREST.**



HOW TO STOP DATING VIOLENCE -

- Take it seriously!
- **Tell your parent or guardian or another trusted adult** (counselor, administrator).
- Make a plan for safety / breaking up
- Leave the situation
- Document abuse / get medical care
- Use the legal system
- Call a hotline
 - National Teen Dating Abuse Helpline 1-866-331-9474

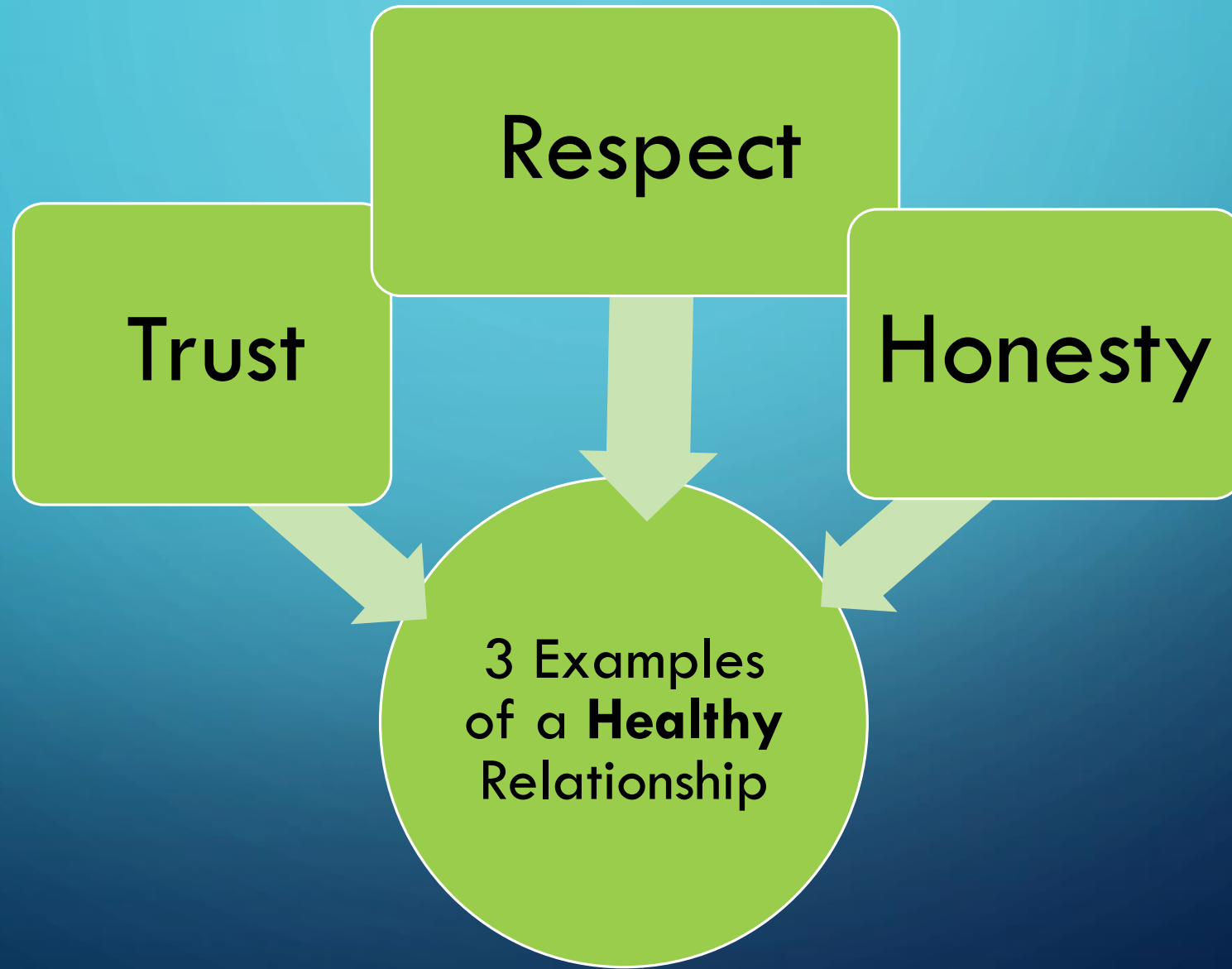


HOW TO PREVENT DATING VIOLENCE

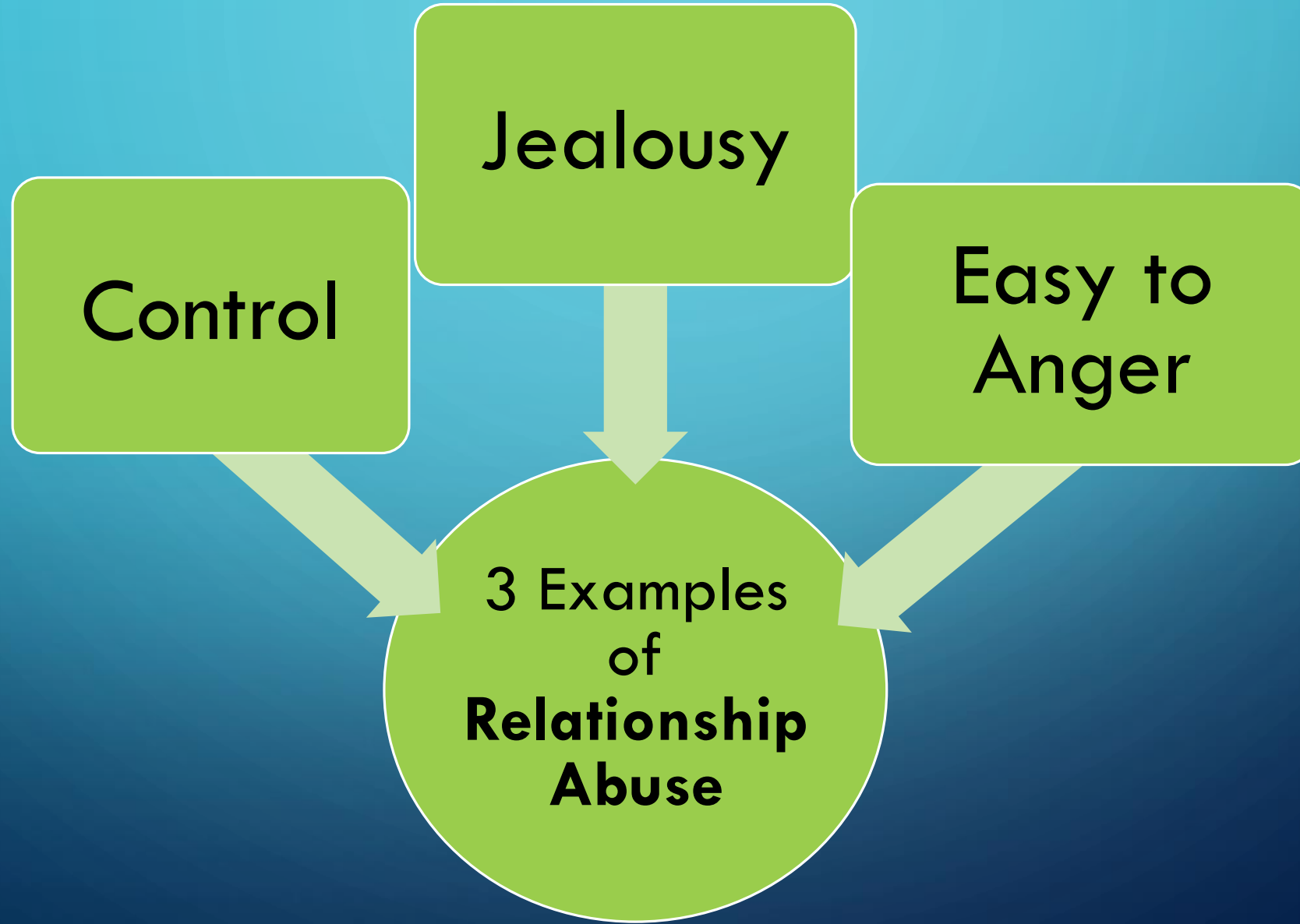
- Know what is expected in a good relationship.
- Respect each other's goals, space, and limits.
- Set boundaries: emotional, physical, sexual, and electronic/digital.
- Leave any dating situation when you don't feel "right" or safe!
- Don't accept abuse or disrespectful behavior from a friend or a partner.
- Talk with a partner about what is expected from the relationship!!

Visit loveisrespect.org to learn more about preventing and ending abusive relationships.

Examples of a Healthy Relationship.



Examples of Relationship Abuse.



ESSENTIAL QUESTION:

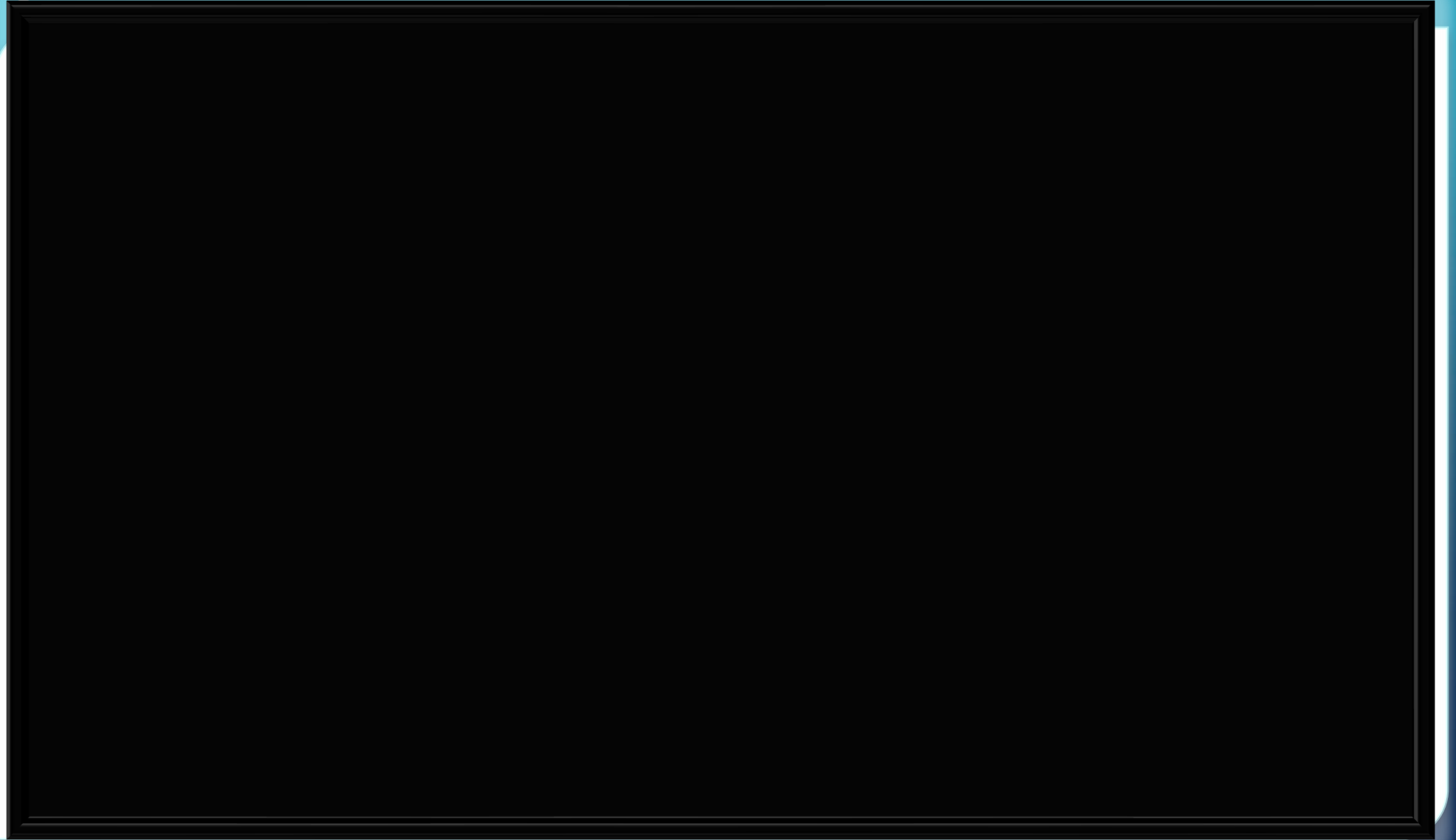
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HUMAN TRAFFICKING

LET'S LOOK AT A VIDEO TO LEARN MORE...



HUMAN TRAFFICKING

- What is human trafficking:
 - Modern Slavery
 - Exploiting a person through force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of forced labor and/or commercial sex work (prostitution or pornography).
- Second most common criminal activity behind the drug trade
- Florida is the 3rd largest hub for Human Trafficking in the U.S.
- Orlando is 3rd in the nation for hotline calls reporting human trafficking



YOUTH AT RISK

- There is no single profile for trafficking victims.
- Victims can be any age, gender, or race.
- The majority of reports received on school-age children/teens are for sex trafficking.
- Traffickers especially target immigrants, homeless youth, runaways, and youth in foster care.
- Traffickers use social media to befriend teens/kids and gain their trust (also called “grooming”).
- Traffickers lure victims by offering housing, travel, loving relationships, or modeling/acting, or other well-paying jobs.



SIGNS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

SEX TRAFFICKED VICTIMS:

- **Show signs of abuse: cuts, burn marks, bruises**
- **Miss school a lot**
- **Change clothing style and dress more provocatively**
- **Own and display expensive items...clothes, purses, jewelry, nails, etc. that don't match their income**
- **Sport a new tattoo**
- **Often tattoos are used to identify the victim as the "property" of the trafficker. Tattoos of a name, money symbol, or barcode can indicate trafficking.**
- **Have an older boyfriend or new friends with different lifestyles**
- **Brag about wild parties and invite other friends to these parties**

LABOR TRAFFICKED VICTIMS:

- **They may not be out in public, except for work.**
- **Someone keeps tabs on them, speaks for them, and/or holds their money.**
- **They may show signs of physical or psychological abuse.**
- **English might not be their primary language. They may not understand English or American culture.**
- **They may seem fearful and not meet your gaze.**
- **They work long hours with no bathroom or food breaks.**
- **They fear police, being arrested, or being deported.**
- **When asked a question directly, they may look at their "handler" before responding.**

HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION

- Awareness of the issue
- Online Safety
 - Be wary of people you don't know personally.
Stranger Danger!
 - Don't agree to meet anyone in person that you've met online!
- If you see something, say something.

NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING HOTLINE

24/7 • Toll free
Confidential
200+ languages

CALL
1-888-373-7888

TEXT
"BeFree" (233733)

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humantraffickinghotline.org

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Florida Abuse Hotline 1-800-96-ABUSE

<https://www.dhs.gov/blue-campaign>



A LUCRATIVE OFFER AT THE MALL

Nineteen-year-old Maya was working at a sunglass's kiosk at a mall in Phoenix, Arizona. One day she was approached by an attractive couple who struck up a conversation. The couple told her she was very pretty and should be a model. They said they were modeling agents and could help her make a portfolio. Maya agreed to go out to dinner with them, and then agreed to go to Los Angeles with them to do a photo shoot. Once they reached Los Angeles, the couple dropped her off at a strange apartment where she was forced into prostitution. She had no money, didn't know where she was, and was very scared. After six days, Maya was able to run away from her captors. She approached a truck driver who was making a delivery in the neighborhood, and he took her to the police station. She was then reunited with her family.

ABCnews.com

What was Maya's mistake??

REVIEW QUESTION

Which of the following is a risky behavior with regard to human trafficking?

- A. Reporting suspicious activity
- B. Giving out personal information to strangers on Snapchat
- C. Learning more about the issue
- D. Protecting your online privacy



Ticket Out the Door

**In your workbook, list two things
that you learned today about
Human Trafficking.**

Help Is Available

Florida Department of Health in Polk County: 863-519-8233

Walk in testing and treatment is available, however we recommend you call for an appointment. To get an appointment call 863-519-7910.

Auburndale Health Clinic, Bartow Specialty Care Clinic, Haines City Health Clinic, Lakeland Health Clinic, Lake Wales Health Clinic .

National Hotline Numbers for STDs and HIV

STDs / HIV/AIDS: 1-800-232-4636

If you need help and information about Teen Dating Violence and Abuse:

Hotlines for Teen Dating Violence and Abuse

24-hour Crisis Line for Domestic Violence (863) 413-2700. National Teen Dating Abuse Helpline. 1-866-331-9474 or www.thehotline.org

Florida Domestic Violence Hotline (1-800-500-1119) National Youth Crisis Line (1-800-233-4357)

Other numbers: Safe Haven for Newborns: 1-877-767-2229