



Focus Group Questions

Young People, Sex, Relationships and Culture



Running order	Who speaks
<p>Introduction</p> <p>Hi, my name is..... We are here to ask your views on ‘Sex, Relationships and Culture’ as part of a peer research project.</p> <p>The focus group shouldn’t last longer than one hour.</p> <p>First of all, we need to run through our information leaflet to make sure you give your informed consent to take part.</p>	<p>Peer researcher</p>
<p>Informed consent leaflet</p> <p>Read through all parts and make sure everyone signs it</p> <p>Notes will be taken and I might ask questions to help prompt answers</p> <p>The recorder will now be switched on</p>	<p>Adult researcher</p>
<p>1. INTERPRETATIONS & UNDERSTANDINGS (20 minutes)</p> <p>Key question: Can you describe these images? (show media pictures)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The most common word used in our survey is ‘slutty’. Do you agree? What does the word ‘slutty’ mean?• What is porn? • Are there any themes that are common in porn?• Does porn show men and women in the same kinds of ways?• Does porn affect real life? (examples?)• What do you think is meant by ‘porn culture’?• Is it normal for people your age to be interested in porn? Why/why not?• Is it normal for people your age to <i>not</i> be interested in porn? Why/why not?	<p>Peer researcher</p>
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<p>2. EFFECTS ON BEHAVIOUR (20 minutes)</p> <p>Key question: Can porn and/or 'porn culture' affect the way people your age behave around each other?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does it affect sexual behaviour? (e.g. when/how to have sex) • Does porn/porn culture influence expectations and attitudes about sex and relationships? How? • Do men and women experience this differently? • Does porn/porn culture influence how men and women view each other? 	<p>Peer researcher</p>
<p>3. ENGAGEMENT AND EDUCATION (20 minutes)</p> <p>Key question: How do people your age learn about sex?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who from? Where? • Are the sources accurate and useful? • What would make sex education (in schools or youth groups) more useful? • Should access to porn and other sexual imagery be restricted in any way? • Can adults support children and young people in this? How? • Who would young people like to provide this support (youth workers, parents, teachers, health professionals, a combination?) 	<p>Peer researcher</p>

<p>Finishing up</p>	<p>Who speaks</p>
<p>Thanks very much for taking part. The recorder will now be switched off. We'll make sure we send a copy of the final report to this group. We've brought some snacks as a token of our thanks.</p>	<p>Peer researcher</p>
<p>If any of the issues raised in this focus group have raised questions or feelings of upset please speak to youth work staff and they can give us feedback if necessary. Thanks.</p>	<p>Adult researcher</p>