

So, you've got a
Hot Date?



Don't let *pressure*
come between you
& your good time.

If you really loved me...

It'll bring us closer...

I'll just have to find
someone who will...



the facts...

Did you know, one in four campus women is a victim of sexual assault or attempted sexual assault? (1993 national study). The majority of sexual assault victims, male or female know their attacker. Everyone has the right to stop sexual activity at any point no matter what preceded it. Date & acquaintance sexual assault is a very serious issue and there is still a lack of education about this issue. This doorhanger is a good start to being informed.

men & women should know...

There is nothing wrong with feeling sexual desire, but all too often men and women do not ask about their partner's feelings, verbally communicate their wishes, or establish consent in sexual situations. Do not project your interest in sex onto your partner. Do not assume your partner feels the same as you. Do not misinterpret friendliness as an invitation for sexual activity. Mixed messages may sometimes lead to uncomfortable or even dangerous situations.

Men, What Can You Do?

- If you are unsure about your partner's feelings, or if you are receiving mixed signals; stop, ask, clarify; particularly if your partner is hesitant and you are eager.
- Don't mistake submission for consent. Your partner may be afraid, drunk or drugged.
- Communicate your feelings and desires to your partner clearly.
- Listen carefully to your partner's responses.
- Don't let yourself or other people take advantage of individuals who are drunk, drugged, or disabled.
- Take 'no' for an answer; remember that sex without consent is sexual assault. Don't give in to peer pressure.
- Challenge sexist attitudes and behaviors such as jokes, comments and gestures.

Women What Can You Do?

- Mean what you say and say what you mean. If you mean 'no' say the word 'no' rather than 'well, I don't know.'
- If necessary, say 'no' over and over again.
- Don't apologize or give excuses. You have the right to feel and say 'no' without guilt or without an explanation.
- Be clear and consistent with verbal and non-verbal messages.
- Pay attention to the clues or negative 'gut' feelings about a situation.
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2. Counselling Services - 828-5023
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1. Kamloops Sexual Assault Counselling Centre - 376-1948
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