



Sexual Health Education Instructional Materials Review

Understanding and Preventing Sexual Violence

Year Published: 2013

Publisher: Human Relations Media

Website: <https://www.hrmvideo.com/catalog/understanding-preventing-sexual-violence>

Full or Supplemental: supplemental

Grade Level: 7 – college

Student Population: General

Duration/Number of Lessons: 56 minutes

Format and Features: DVD plus teacher resource book, student handouts

Evidence-based/informed: No

National Standards Alignment: No

Consistent with Healthy Youth Act? No

Consistent with AIDS Omnibus Act? N/A

Bias Free Materials: No

Primary Topical Areas (Check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Abortion | <input type="checkbox"/> Identity/Orientation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Abstinence | <input type="checkbox"/> Online Safety |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Access to Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Pregnancy & Reproduction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anatomy and Physiology | <input type="checkbox"/> Puberty/Adolescent Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communication/Decision-making | <input type="checkbox"/> Refusal Skills |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Condom Use | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sexual Harassment/Violence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Consent | <input type="checkbox"/> STD Prevention |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contraception | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Healthy relationships | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> HIV Prevention | |

Reviewer Comments:

Reviewer 105: Grades 6-8, 9-12

This video addresses some extremely valuable topics (healthy/unhealthy relationships, consent, etc.) that are necessary for high school students to understand. Many of the accompanying activities are very useful. However, the quality of the acting in this video is extremely poor. I don't think students would be engaged in this video and probably wouldn't take it seriously. I wouldn't use this video because I have some concerns that the more immature students would make a joke out of some very serious and important topics.

Reviewer 113: Grades 9-12

Multiple videos/modules present information in a scenario format, including examples of jealous and insecurity causing the other partner to feel unsafe in the relationship, unhealthy choices, relationship issues, emotional blackmail, stereotype pressure, sexting, sexual assault. Individually, the scenarios may "feel" inconclusive and unresolved to the viewer, which provides rich ground for discussion; together, there is more satisfaction for the viewer that lessons are being learned and issues resolved by the characters in the scenarios.

Reviewer 114: Grades 6-8, 9-12

Situations are relatable to teens. Lesson is broken down into segments which allows for instruction to build on what is seen utilizing the materials that are a part of the package. Clarification on updated laws behind sexting need to be addressed after the third video. Great conversation could definitely be had with high schoolers. A conversation within your school community should be had to determine the appropriateness of this series with middle school students.

Reviewer 116: Grades 9-12

There are some points of merit within the storyline of this supplement to 'Understanding & Preventing Sexual Violence', such as the portrayal of harassment that might occur at a school for someone of any gender. However, much of the script comes across as formulaic or contrived. The drama excludes many identities and appears monocultural. Consequences (to a serious crime) are portrayed as mild. I'm uncertain that some students will take the narrative seriously. There are insufficient grade level outcomes to meet Washington Sexual Health Education Academic Learning Standards.

Reviewer 103: Grades 6-8, 9-12

This DVD uses 5 different vignettes to demonstrate the varying components of sexual violence. They do a great job of outlining how to support a friend, who to seek out for help (counselors) and elements of consent. The vignettes are left open ended to allow for good class discussions. The Media Safety component presents the complexity of how media affects teens today and the consequences related to some of these choices. High school pressures and the impact of peer relationships are presented in a relatable way. However, these vignettes are all presented from a heteronormative perspective and lack in showing the diversity of how sexual violence might be seen or experienced.

Reviewer 117: Grades 6-8, 9-12

Extensive video series on sexual violence and an in-depth teacher resource book. Some of the video material can be traumatic for people who have been sexually assaulted, and a disclaimer should be

mentioned before starting the series and having immediate resources for counseling should be made available. Although the video is of generally good quality now, it will quickly become outdated.

Reviewer 106: Grades 6-8, 9-12

This video is dated in appearance, the narrative is stiff, and generally un-relatable. The serial nature of the scenarios becomes confusing due to lack of clarity whether each scenario is independent from the next.

Accuracy Analysis Reviewer 121

As a health care professional, I would not recommend these videos and accompanying teachers resource book. This is a very traumatizing way of addressing these very critical issues. Additionally, this information is out of date.

Accuracy Analysis Reviewer 125

The video is difficult to watch and comes across as a how to torture our classmates. Thus, it is essential that it be facilitated with the teacher's guide. There are a few exercises that are "sit/stand" and I would caution that these exercises serve to "out" people's emotions/past experiences which may serve to increase stress in students. The anonymous surveying students then passing around the unidentified responses and sharing is a better/less anxiety provoking way to allow students to see how words/actions can be viewed. Also, the data cited are old - most from early 2000's. Would encourage these be updated.