## My point of view is... Statements

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- "While at a party, if two people go somewhere private, they're going to have sex."
- "If a partner has allowed some intimate touching that means "yes", they want to have sex."
- "It's OK to say no (to sex or sexual activities) at any time."

#### **Guided Discussion**

- "Girls wearing sexy clothes are looking for trouble." Disagree
  - Have the students define "sexy clothes".
  - Discuss how different cultures have different expectations in regards to how they dress (e.g., showing a bare arm in a country where women are to be entirely covered would be very shocking. Wearing a tight, short dress might be considered provocative by some and fashionable by others)
  - Discuss other influences ex. magazines, movies, music videos and social media.
- "While at a party, if two people go somewhere private, they're going to have sex."
  Disagree
  - Why might a couple go somewhere private? (e.g. to be alone, to talk, to make out without other people seeing)
  - Talk about assumptions people make if this were to happen at a party.
  - Ask students If someone goes somewhere private with their partner, does that mean that they have given consent for sex?
    - No. Consent must be given verbally and freely. It cannot be given in advance.
  - o Remind students it is important never to assume



# **Teaching** Tool

### **Grade 8: Healthy Relationships**

- "If a partner has allowed some intimate touching that means "yes", they want to have sex." Disagree
  - Students may need you to clarify intimate touching.
  - How does a person really know what the other person wants to do sexually?
    (ask)
  - Does allowing some intimate touching mean they have given consent for sex?
    - No. Set and communicate boundaries and limits with your partner.
  - o If any type of sexual activity is going to happen, consent must be given.
- "It's OK to say no (to sex or sexual activities) at any time." Agree
  - Discuss the reasons why a person might say no at first and then give in (e.g. doesn't want to appear easy, feels pressured, changes their mind or says yes but doesn't really want sex).
  - Why might a person seem to agree at first and then say—no? (e.g. fear (of pain or pregnancy, etc.), shy, flashback to prior abuse)
  - Does saying yes to intimacy (any level of intimacy, from kissing to intercourse) one time mean that it's yes from then on?
    - No. Consent must be given each time sexual activity/intercourse occurs. Consent cannot be given in advance.
  - o No means no until otherwise stated and you need to get consent every time.