

A community helper has
a reputation for being
“touchy”.

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Do you say something?



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When you notice something that doesn't seem right, it probably isn't. So listen to your gut and trust your instincts.



SEXUAL ASSAULT
BY A PERSON
OF AUTHORITY

WHY DRAW THE LINE

When we look away, we allow sexual violence to continue. 85% of sexually abused children and teens are abused by someone they know. The law protects children under 18 from sexual exploitation: any sexual contact between a child younger than 18 and a person of authority is legally considered sexual assault.

WHEN TO DRAW THE LINE

When someone abuses a position of trust, power or authority, consent is not possible. When there is no consent, there is sexual violence.

HOW TO DRAW THE LINE

There's always more than one option for a bystander. Take a stand safely and do something that you feel comfortable with. You could:

- **Check in with the person.** "Is everything ok?"
- **Tell someone about it:** a peer, parent, or another trusted community member might have the same suspicions.
- **Go to the authorities:** community leaders and/or the police, especially if the person is under the age of 16 (it's the law).

IT HAPPENED TO ME

Remember, it's never your fault. You're not alone. Tell someone you trust.

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