



WORKSHEET

IS IT GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE?

Activity 5

	Is it GBV? Y/N
1. John demanded that his girlfriend disclose her password to her Instagram account so he can monitor who can comment on her posts. He insists that this is a way for her to show her commitment to him. He is also happy to give his password to her too, so it is fair.	
2. Alamina is a young Roma girl who lives with her parents. She is working at a local store to save up so she can go to college. Her dad though insists that she hands him her pay check every month because he is the one in charge of the finances of the family.	
3. Marc asked his girlfriend to take out her picture with her bikini from Instagram. He said that the picture is embarrassing and she should be grateful he's with her because no other guy will ever look at her.	
4. Dorelia is 21 and goes to university. She lives with her mother and her siblings. Last night she was physically abused by her mother because she came home late, after her curfew hour.	
5. When Antonio decided to switch majors from environmental studies to ballet, his dad reaction was: 'No way I will pay for your college. I will not waste my hard-earned money on something so gay! Get a grip and act like a real man!'	
6. When Jason's extended family found out he is gay, they started isolating him and completely avoid him in family gatherings.	
7. Marti has been dating Jina for 6 months now and wants to take things slow. She is very eager to have sex but he is not ready yet. Yesterday, while he was driving her home after a movie she said 'Are you a faggot or something? Why don't you want to have sex with me?'	
8. Janine had willingly sent some topless pictures of herself to Louca, as a way to flirt with him. The next day when she saw Max, Louca's friend, he made the comment 'you look really good topless. You should flaunt those babies more'.	



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9. Janette identifies as trans female. At university they are still forcing her to use the bathroom of her birth-assigned gender in an effort to “protect” women and children.	
10. Jack fell in love with Rob and sent him a personal message on social media asking him out. Rob is straight and was offended somebody thought of him as gay. He disclosed the incidence to two friends of his. The next day while Jack was walking home after his night class, two guys attacked him and pinned him to the ground. The next day there was a picture in social media of his face being pushed in the dirt with the comment ‘Serves you right, sissy boy!’	
11. Eldra is a 19-year-old Romani woman. In the past year she has been secretly dating Marco because this relationship was against her family’s wishes, who wanted her to marry a man from her community. Two weeks ago she found out she was pregnant. When her brother found out, he beat her up because she had disgraced the family. As a result, she lost the baby.	
12. Francesca is 21 and lives with disability. She met Rafael 7 months ago and the two of them are dating. While he has been kind to her, in the last two months he has become aggressive, he would call her names, ridicule her and insult her. She thought of leaving him many times but she hasn’t because he always says how sorry he is and that he will change.	
13. Zezo is a trans male. He runs a small business at the centre of town. His shop was often vandalized by people who didn’t want him in the neighbourhood.	
14. When Marilia was 17 she was kicked out of her house because her parents found out she was having sex with both boys and girls and was also using drugs. She is now trying to make ends meet by selling sex. She is completely avoided by her neighbours, no-one ever talks to her and people often gossip negatively about her. Last night somebody graffitied ‘die, you slut’ on her door.	
15. Andjela was forced to marry Fahim by her parents when she was 17. She is very unhappy in the relationship and wants to leave. To make sure she would not leave him and that she would commit to the relationship, Fahim forces her to get pregnant against her will.	
16. Marina is a trans woman who works as a nail artist at a beauty salon. While she is walking home from work, she is often harassed by other people who live in the neighbourhood. The beauty salon was also painted in transphobic graffiti a few times. Last year she took a really bad beating that resulted in her being in the hospital for 2 weeks. This evening it was in the news that she was found murdered.	



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17. In the last month, a group of girls systematically tease and ridicule Zena for being 'butch' and a 'lesbo' because they think she is carrying herself and acting like a boy. They even made a group on Instagram where they post anti-lesbian comments and constantly humiliate her. Zena got very depressed over this. She now consciously watches the way she looks, acts and speaks, hoping that her classmates will stop.	
18. Mani is 16 years old and he has been constantly pestered by the other boys in his class about which girl he likes, when he will have sex, whether he had had sex already and what kind of porn he likes. Mani feels that he is not attracted to either boys or girls but he hasn't spoken openly to anyone about this.	
19. As Gulia walks to gym class, the boys make various comments about her butt and sexual innuendos about her. Pablo doesn't join in and actually thinks this behaviour is foul. The boys turn on him saying 'Hey Pablo, are you a fag or something?'	
20. Tom identifies as an intersex male. At school he is not allowed to go swimming because the teachers felt they need to protect him from being exposed in front of others in the locker rooms. He is also forced to use the nurse's station's bathroom and not the boys' bathroom.	
21. In the last 6 months Mac has started to express themselves differently through their style, dress and behaviour. The art teacher, who really cares for Mac, in an effort to protect them, advises them that they do not need to be so upfront about their diversity. The teacher also asks Mac to question whether their behaviour may provoke the reactions of others and asks them to try to be a bit more "mainstream".	
22. Akinyi is 19 years old and grew up in Kenya before she moved to Europe. Three months ago, when she was delivering her first baby, she almost lost her life because of complications during labour. The complications were due to female genital mutilation (cutting of the external sex organs) she had experienced when she was 8 years old in her village.	
23. Aisha is a 21-year-old with a mental disability. Two months ago she got into a relationship with a man who used to be her carer. Her parents suspected that she would soon start having sexual relations with him and decided that Aisha undergoes sterilization, as they considered that she is not fit to be a mother.	
24. Marina was married when she was 17 and has been with her husband for the past 8 years. Physical and psychological abuse have been a prominent part of their relationship for all the years they have been together. The last beatings have been severe and Marina had to spend some time in the hospital. After that, she decided to leave her husband and go to a friend's house. One night, he came over to her friend's place and attacked her with a knife.	