

NAVIGATING ONLINE FLIRTATIONSHIPS AND HARASSMENT

Do you know the difference between healthy online flirting and hidden harassment?

The next time someone approaches you virtually, be prepared.

Ask yourself the questions below and use these valuable resources to get support if you need it.

Ask yourself...	YES	NO	YES	NO	
1 Do you feel uncomfortable , unsafe or unsure at the start of the conversation? Trust your gut!	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5 If you have told them you're not comfortable or you think they're being too aggressive , did they try to deny or push back against your concerns?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 Are they being pushy or acting in ways you asked them to stop?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6 Is this person pressuring you to meet offline, share intimate images or personal information ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 Do you know very little about their identity ? (like name, age, how they found your profile)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	7 Have they ever threatened to share your personal information or intimate images ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4 Are they being aggressive or sending lots of messages if you don't respond right away or reject them?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	8 Have they ever harassed you in online comments , shared inappropriate content about you, or tried to show up in your personal life ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

... if you answer yes to any of these questions, you may be experiencing harassment

Well-intentioned flirting can look like this

Hey cutie, how's it going?

Hi 😊 I'm good, you?

Better now that I'm talking to you 😊

That's sweet! You're John's friend right?

Yeah, we work together

I would love to hang out some time

I'd like to get to know each other first 😊

Of course! We should do a Zoom date one night, if you're up for it!

OMG, yes! How's Friday? 🥳🥳🥳

Can't wait 😊

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REMEMBER...

Only you can decide what you're comfortable with

you can **report** and **block** users that make you feel unsafe

harassment is never your fault

Harassment can look like this

Would be great if we could hang out some time?

Maybe when I know you better 😊

Sure, we could get to know each other when we hang out haha

Want to chill tonight?

???

Do I even know you? Do we have any mutual friends?

I don't think so but you could find out 😊

Ummm I don't know how I feel about that

Don't be like that, it'll be fun, come on..

Hello?

RESOURCES

Unsafe at Home Ottawa

Unsafe at Home OTTAWA text+chat SUPPORT FOR violence@abuse

Sexual Violence and Social Media: Building a Framework for Prevention

CPO Gender-Based Violence Initiatives

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