

Sex and the Law Quiz

	True	False
It is against the law for a 14 year old to watch free porn online?		
Is it against the law for someone under 18 to send their boyfriend or girlfriend a naked image of themselves?		
Someone secretly watching their friend have sex can be prosecuted?		
It is classed as rape if a man forces a woman into oral sex?		
A man cannot be prosecuted for raping his wife?		
A woman cannot rape a man?		
It is against the law for an over 18 that is in a position of trust (e.g. teacher) to have sexual intercourse with a 16 year old?		
The age of consent for sexual intercourse in the UK is 16?		
It is against the law to have sex with someone who doesn't have mental capacity to consent?		
It is against the law to force people into marrying someone?		
It is against the law for under 16's to masturbate in a private place?		
It is against the law for under 16s to buy condoms?		
If you are under 16 you need your parents/carers permission to access contraception and advice?		
If a 14 year old boy has sex with a 12 year old girl it is rape?		
A young woman under 16 can have an abortion without telling her parents in England, Wales and Scotland?		

Sex and the Law: Answer Sheet

Question	Answer	Reason
It is against the law for a 14 year old to watch free porn online?	False	<p>There is no law regarding viewing pornography on your own, only guidelines.</p> <p>It is legal to buy porn when you are 18 years old. However, there are certain subjects or images which are illegal to feature in pornography, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> film or images of anyone who is under 18 Film or images showing sexual assault or rape Film or images involving scenes of life-threatening violence, or acts that are likely to cause serious injury to a person's anus, breasts or genitals. <p>It's also illegal for an adult to show a young person under 18 porn, or to allow them to watch it.</p>
Is it against the law for someone under 18 to send their boyfriend or girlfriend a naked image of themselves?	True	<p>It is criminal offence to take a sexy image if someone in the image (or video) is under 18. Someone taking an image with an under 18 year old in it is basically making child porn/ child abuse imagery (even if taking a picture of themselves). Having that image on your phone, sending it to others and putting that image on a website (like Facebook) are all criminal offences too. If the Police get involved and decide to prosecute then someone making, possessing or distributing these images can run the risk of imprisonment and being treated as a sex offender.</p>
Someone secretly watching their friend have sex can be prosecuted	True	<p>They can be prosecuted for voyeurism (the compulsion to seek sexual gratification by secretly looking at sexual objects or acts), and can result in up to a two year imprisonment.</p>
It is classed as rape if a man forces a woman into oral sex	True	<p>The Sexual Offences Act 2003 defines rape as the intentional penetration of vagina, anus or mouth with a penis without consent (and reasonable belief of no consent), or of someone under 13.</p>

A man cannot be prosecuted for raping his wife	False	The Sexual Offences Act 2003 defines rape as the intentional penetration of vagina, anus or mouth with a penis without consent (and reasonable belief of no consent), or of someone under 13. This does not matter if you are married, in love or been together for 30 years, without consent it will always be rape.
A woman cannot rape a man	True	The Sexual Offences Act 2003 (for England and Wales, but is similar for Scotland and Northern Ireland) defines rape as the intentional penetration of vagina, anus or mouth with a penis without consent (and reasonable belief of no consent), or of someone under 13. This is now the ONLY sexual offence that can be carried out only by a male (aged 10 or over). Because of the way rape is defined, i.e. with a penis, women cannot be charged with the offence of rape. However in 2001 a woman was convicted of rape in exceptional circumstances. In the SOA 2003 there is a new offence of 'Causing a person to engage in sexual activity', which can be committed by a male or female and could be used to charge women rather than rape. A man can be charged and found guilty of raping a woman to whom he is married. This became law through the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act 1992. Consent must never be assumed or implied, even if you're in a relationship. Just because you are in a relationship doesn't mean that you always have consent to have sex with your partner. Intimate partner rape, date rape and acquaintance rape are the most common forms of rape. It is always OK to say NO. Consent may be withdrawn at any time, and when it is withdrawn all sexual activity must stop immediately.
It is against the law for an over 18 that is in a position of trust (e.g. teacher) to have sexual intercourse with a 16 year old.	True	It an offence for a person aged 18 or over to intentionally engage in sexual activity with a child under 16 with whom they are in a position of trust. An over 18 who is not in a position of trust may claim in their defence that they believed the young

		person to be over 16, however if they are in a position of trust it is always illegal.
It is against the law to have sex with someone who doesn't have mental capacity to consent	True	If one party lacks the capacity to choose whether to agree to the touching (whether because he lacks sufficient understanding of the nature or reasonably foreseeable consequences of what is being done, or for any other reason. This can lead to up to 14 years imprisonment
It is against the law to force people into marrying someone	True	Forced marriage is against the law and people can be prosecuted (in England, Wales and Scotland).
It is against the law for under 16's to masturbate in a private place?	False	There are no laws against masturbating in a private place regardless of your age.
It is against the law for under 16s to buy condoms?	False	There is no law prohibiting the purchase of condoms by under 16s.
If you are under 16 you need your parents/carers permission to access contraception and advice?	False	It is lawful for doctors to provide contraceptive advice and treatment to under 16s without parental consent providing certain criteria are met. These criteria, known as the Fraser Guidelines, were laid down by Lord Fraser in the House of Lords' case and require the professional to be satisfied that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The young person will understand the professional's advice; • The young person cannot be persuaded to inform their parents; • The young person is likely to begin, or to continue having, sexual intercourse with or without contraceptive treatment; • Unless the young person receives contraceptive treatment, their physical or mental health, or both, are likely to suffer; • The young person's best interests require them to receive contraceptive advice or treatment with or without parental consent.
If a fourteen year old boy has sex with a 12 year old girl it is rape	True	Under 13 are deemed unable to consent to sex so it is an offence. Whether or not the child consented to the act is irrelevant.

<p>A young woman under 16 can have an abortion without telling her parents in England, Wales and Scotland?</p>	<p>True within boundaries NOT in N. Ireland.</p>	<p>The Abortion Act 1967 as amended in 1990 applies to women whatever their age (The Abortion Act does not apply to Northern Ireland the Isle of Man or Jersey). An abortion is legally available up to 24 weeks of pregnancy, but a woman will need the agreement of two doctors (usually her GP or family planning doctor and the doctor who performs the abortion). The doctor must agree that the abortion would cause less damage to her physical or mental health, or existing children than continuing with the pregnancy. She does not need the permission of the father and does not need the permission of her parents. Some abortion providers may insist that a young person under 18 identifies a 'supporting adult'. This does not have to be a parent.</p>
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