

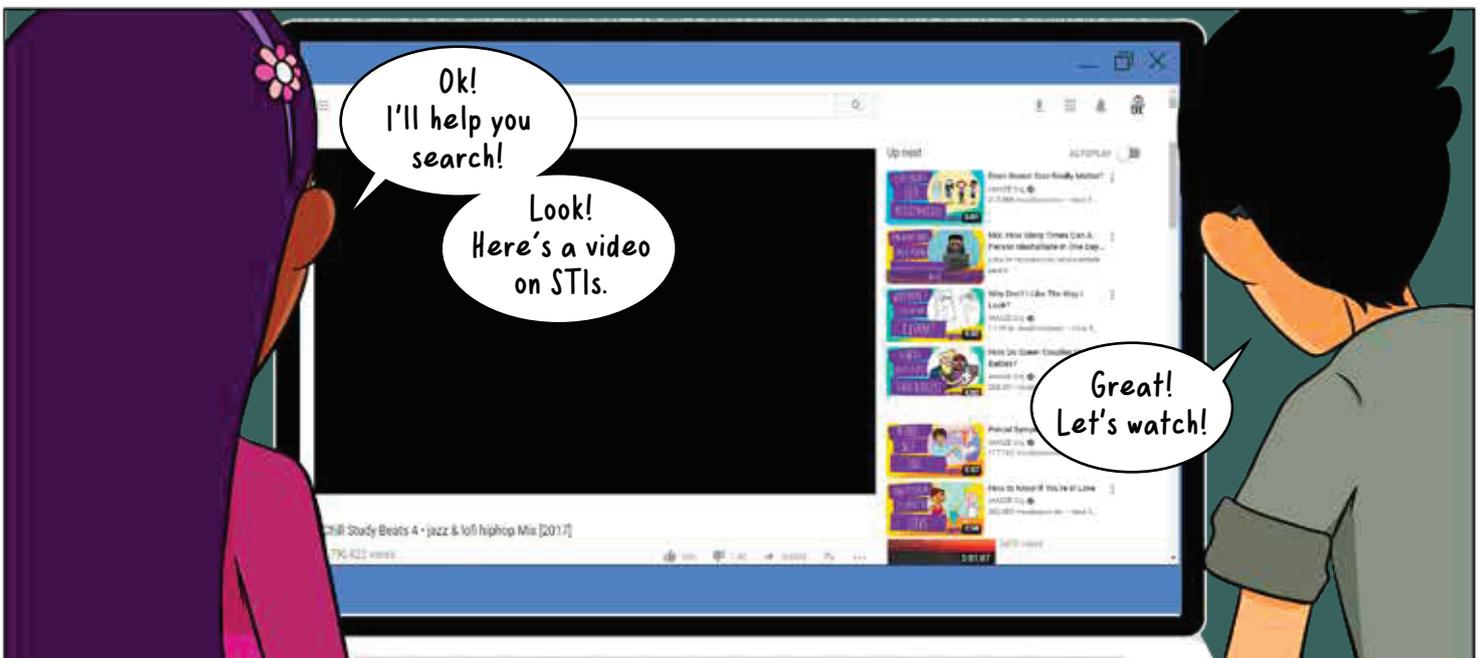
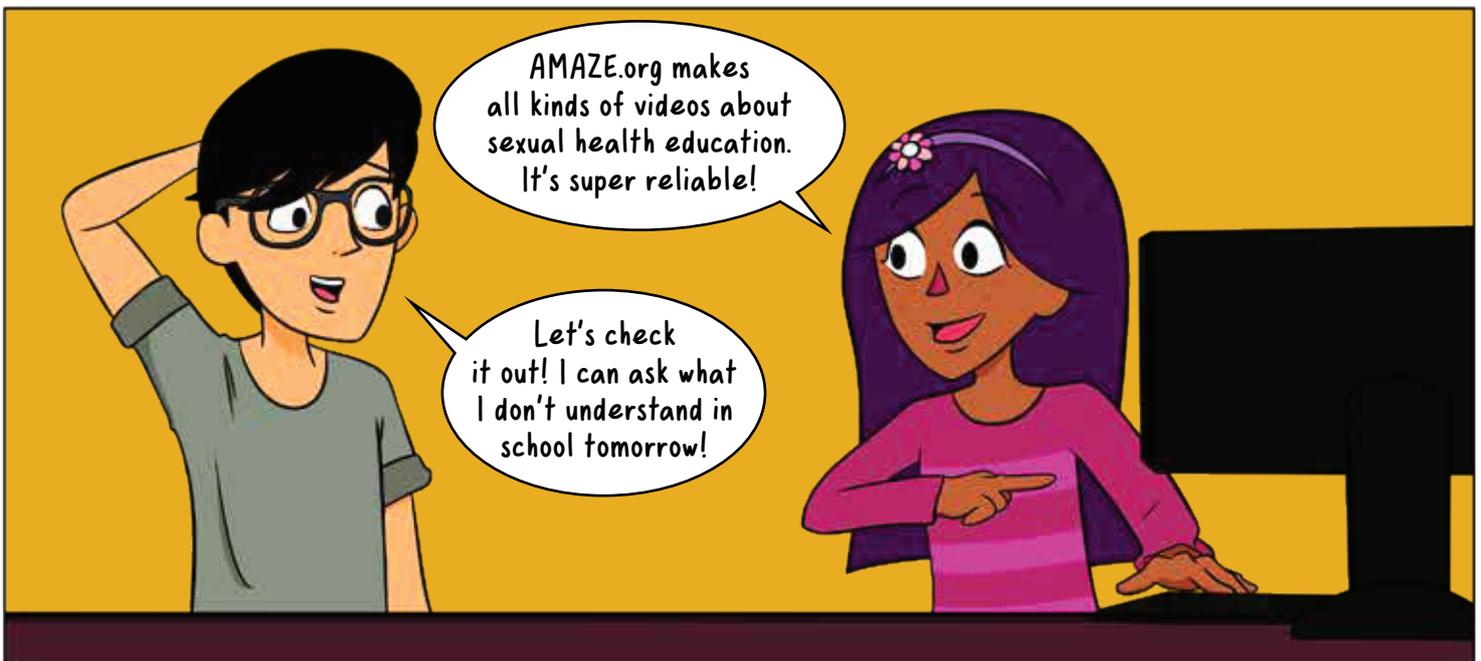
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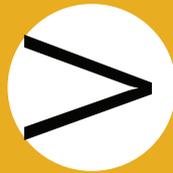
Sexually transmitted infections, or STIs, are infections that can spread from one person to another through sexual contact.

STI

Sexually Transmitted Infections

This includes vaginal, oral, and anal sex, or any sexual activity where genitals and body fluids touch, even if there's no penetration.

STI



Some STIs are pretty common, so there's nothing to be embarrassed about if you ever get one.

It's important to get treated as soon as possible if you have an STI!

Some symptoms can include soreness or swelling around the genitals, bumps, sores, rashes, itching, or burning when you pee. There may also be vaginal discharge that looks or smells different than usual.



However, some STIs don't show any symptoms, so people might not know they have one and can pass it to others.



Some STIs can be cured, while others cannot, but their symptoms can be managed with medication.



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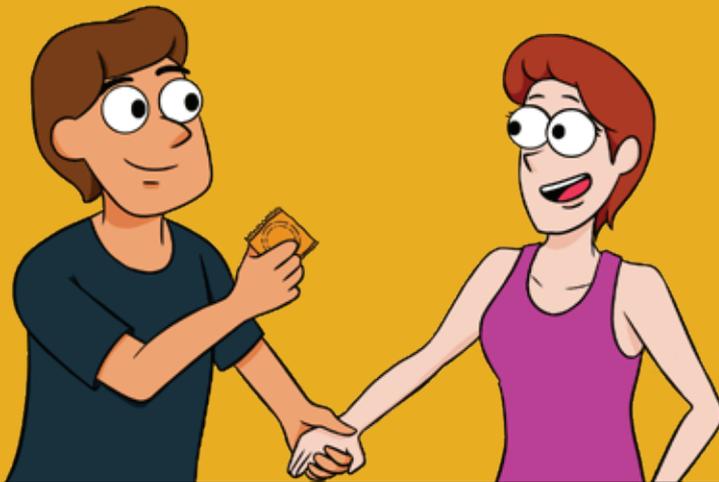
STIs can be detected through blood tests, urine, saliva or discharge.

If left untreated, STIs can cause serious health problems later on. That's why it's important to prevent them and get checked early.

It's important for people that have unprotected sex to get tested for STIs at least once a year.



STI TESTS



Using condoms the right way every time helps prevent STIs. And it's important that everyone agrees and respects the choice.

To enjoy a pleasurable and healthy sexuality, it is essential to minimize and avoid risky behaviors.

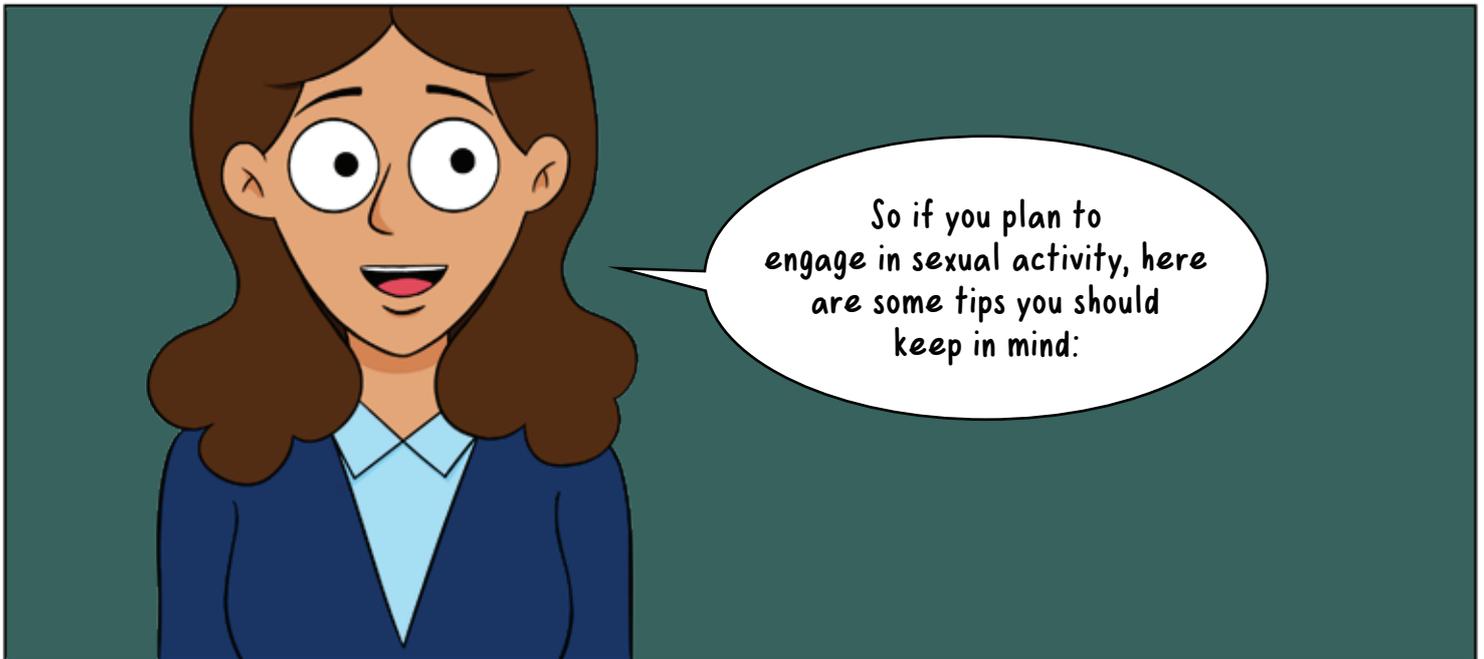
Remember that not using protection may come as a risk.



Sometimes, the decision not to use a condom is influenced by intimidation or threats rather than personal choice.



Saying things like 'You don't trust me,' 'You're cheating,' or 'It feels different or uncomfortable' isn't based on facts. These words ignore the risks of not using a condom and limit a partner's freedom to choose.



So if you plan to engage in sexual activity, here are some tips you should keep in mind:

#1. Visit your nearest health center to access comprehensive reproductive health services.



#2. Seek guidance on prevention, detection and treatment of STIs including HIV.



#3. Make sure to use condoms or other protection.



#4. Get tested for STIs regularly, especially if you didn't use a condom.



STIs don't stand a chance when you're prepared!

It's always better to be safe than sorry! A little protection now can save you a whole lot of regret later!



Follow us to stay informed!



Wow! This is really helpful information. I plan to talk with the guidance counselor tomorrow about all of this.



Yeah, it's always better to clear up any doubts!





QUIZ

Based on the information in the comic, choose one or more options:

What is an STI?

- Sexually transmitted incident
- Sexually transmitted immunodeficiency
- Sexually transmitted infection

Which is not considered risky behavior?

- Sharing a book and going to the park together.
- Having sex without a condom.
- Being sexually active and never getting tested for STIs if you don't have symptoms.

REMINDER

Not using a condom can put your health and others at risk. Always use protection to stay safe.

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