

DOES VIEWING PORN LEAD TO #MeToo?

The #MeToo movement was a response to a prevalence of sexual violence in our society. Regrettably, relatively few will point out the obvious: A majority of people in our society are routinely viewing, for pleasure or entertainment, the violation, degradation, and abuse of women and girls.



A study published in the April 2021 *British Journal of Criminology* found that sexual violence is a customary porn script. By analyzing video titles found on the landing pages of the three most popular pornography websites in the United Kingdom, (the largest research sample of online pornographic content to date) researchers found that **ONE IN EIGHT** titles describe sexual activity that constitutes sexual violence.

Far from being represented as aberrant, sexual coercion, deception, non-consent and criminal behaviors are presented as permissible. Former porn actresses report that since the mainstreaming of “50 Shades of Gray” and its sequels, rape scenes are common and sexual violence is the norm. It would seem that we have become a culture which is simultaneously having a **public** #MeToo moment while **privately** watching (and condoning) brutalizing women and girls for entertainment and sexual satisfaction.

Consuming porn has a devastating influence on how young men interact with women, and their views on sex and relationships. Early sexual experiences shape the adolescent brain and inform their future preferences and behavior. Proactive parents who want their sons to behave honorably and their daughters to demand it, will begin having directed conversations long before they discover porn on their child’s electronics.

SEXUAL REVOLUTION FOUNDERS WOULD BE “CANCELLED” TODAY

Michael Foucault is known as the founder of “wokeness,” the father of critical race theory and the belief that sexuality exists on a spectrum and preference is socially constructed. The *Sunday Times* on 3/28/21 published an article alleging he also was a pedophile rapist. According to a close associate, Guy Sorman, Foucault had sex with Arab children while living in Tunisia in the late 1960s. He died of AIDS in 1984 at age 57.



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He was not the only Sexual Revolutionary to have his proclivities shielded by the media. Few people know that Hugh Hefner was obsessed with bestiality, or that Alfred Kinsey was voracious sado-masochistic bisexual who made illegal porn movies in his attic.

What was seen as “liberating” then, looks alarmingly destructive now. Even Hollywood, has begun to have second thoughts. Harvey Weinstein and Roman Polanski were finally expelled from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. After decades of looking the other way as these men preyed on the vulnerable, the Academy determined that they had violated the “ethical standards” and the Academy’s “values of respect for human dignity.”

Before Weinstein and Polanski, the only person ever expelled from the Academy was Carmine Caridi, an actor who appeared in *The Godfather*. What was his crime? He share a DVD “screener” (an unreleased copy of a movie nominated for an Oscar) with a friend, who uploaded it to the Internet.



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Every sport has a group of skills they call “fundamentals.” Whether its football, baseball, basketball or hockey, there are some skills every player has to master FIRST before they work on developing trick plays or specialty talents.

Expecting your child to successfully navigate the high-stakes, low-supervision environment of college or the workplace without having mastered the fundamentals is setting them up to fail. Sadly, many parents consider their job is done after a few sex talks with their teens between 13-15. These early conversations often lull Mom and Dad into a false sense of security. Their child appeared to listen and probably even agreed that the risks outweighed the rewards of sexual activity. So their parents let the subject drop, thinking the job is done. Only to realize later how the issue was much less resolved for their child.

This month's tip: See what these open ended questions reveal about your teen's **current** attitude toward sexual activity.

1. You and your crush find out you are pregnant. Which friends, family members or instructors are most likely to recommend abortion? Who would encourage adoption?
2. Your crush has a legal obligation to notify you they are infected with genital Herpes. How would you want them to tell you? What would you say to them afterward?
3. Who is pressured more to be sexually active (males or females) and what is the reason for your answer?

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