

# Pregnancy and STIs: Symptoms, Impacts, and Care

#### 10th Grade Sexual Health Education Lesson

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Lesson plan for tenth grade sexual health education.

## Sexual Health Education Lesson 3

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### **Lesson Objectives**

- Identify common symptoms of STIs and pregnancy.
- Determine when, where, and how to get tested for STIs and pregnancy.
- Describe the various options a person has for handling an STI or an unplanned pregnancy.
- Reflect on the possible impacts of an STI or unplanned pregnancy.

### **Group Agreements**



### **Pregnancy & STI Trivia**

#### **Instructions:**

- Spend 10 minutes reading the STI and Pregnancy charts in your worksheet
- As a team, use the <u>STI Info Sheet</u> and the <u>Unplanned Pregnancy</u> <u>Info Sheet</u> in your worksheet to answer trivia questions.
- Every group is eligible to get points for holding up a correct response when the timer rings.
- The group with the most points will receive a prize!

**Worksheet Sections 1-2** 

What are the 4 behaviors that can pose a risk for spreading STIs?



#### **Answer:**

#### Unprotected...

- 1. Penis in Vagina sex
- 2. Oral Sex
- 3. Anal Sex
- 4. Skin-to-skin contact

What are the 4 fluids that can spread HIV?



#### **Answer:**

- 1. Vaginal Fluid
- 2. Semen
- 3. Blood
- 4. Breast Milk

True or False?
Saliva (spit) and Sweat can also spread HIV.



#### **Answer:**

FALSE!

(Saliva and sweat do NOT spread HIV. The only fluids that spread HIV were mentioned in the previous slide.)

What are 5 common symptoms a person might experience if they have an STI?



#### **Answer:**

- 1. Unusual discharge
- 2. Burning
- 3. Itching
- 4. Sores
- 5. Tenderness

True or False?

The most common symptom for an STI is to have NO symptoms at all



#### **Answer:**

TRUE!

(Getting tested regularly is important. If left untreated, serious health complications can arise from many STIs, even when there were initially no symptoms)

**True or False:** 

All STIs can be cured.



#### **Answer:**

FALSE!

(Bacterial and Parasitic STIs can be cured. Viral STIs are treatable, but are not curable.)

If you realize you are at risk of getting an STI, what should you do?



#### **Answer:**

 Go to a clinic and get tested.

How often should a sexually active person get tested for STIs?



#### **Answer:**

Every 3-6 Months

#### True or False:

A person can always tell if they are pregnant because they will have the symptoms to prove it.



#### **Answer:**

FALSE!

(Many people do not realize they are pregnant. That's why it is important to get tested.)

If a person finds out they are pregnant, what are their 4 options?



#### **Answer:**

- 1. Become a parent
- 2. Adoption
- 3. Abortion
- 4. Safe Surrender

What are the two different types of abortion?



#### **Answer:**

- 1. Medication abortion
- 2. In-Clinic Abortion

If a person gives birth and decides to safely surrender the baby-- how many hours do they have to do so?



#### **Answer:**

1. 72 hours from the time of birth

**True or False:** 

Abortion is a safe and common procedure



#### **Answer:**

TRUE!

(in the US about 1 in 3 people with a uterus have an abortion by age 45)

### And the Winning Team Is....



#### See a Healthcare Provider If You Have...

- <u>Discharge</u> from the vulva or penis that has an unusual color or odor.
- <u>Sores</u> on your vulva or penis
- Pain during <u>sexual</u> activity
- Pain when you <u>urinate</u> (pee) or a need to pee more than usual.



- <u>Bleeding</u> that isn't part of a regular menstrual cycle (period).
- Unusual or painful lumps in the <u>breast</u> area
- Unusual or painful lumps in the <u>testicles</u>
- Any <u>unprotected</u> sexual activity

#### Discussion

1. If a person thinks they may have an STI or be pregnant, what should they do?

2. If a teen experiences an unplanned pregnancy or STI, how do you think this might impact their life?

### **Anonymous Question Box**

- Let's answer some questions!
- Additional questions will be answered next time

