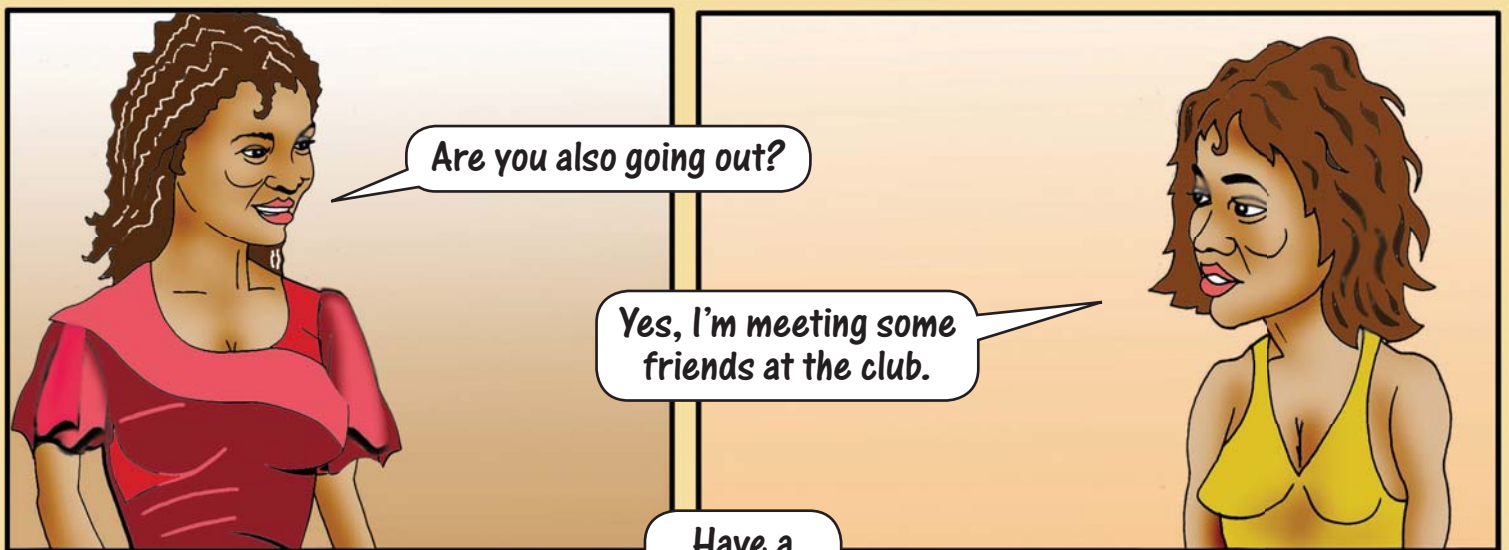
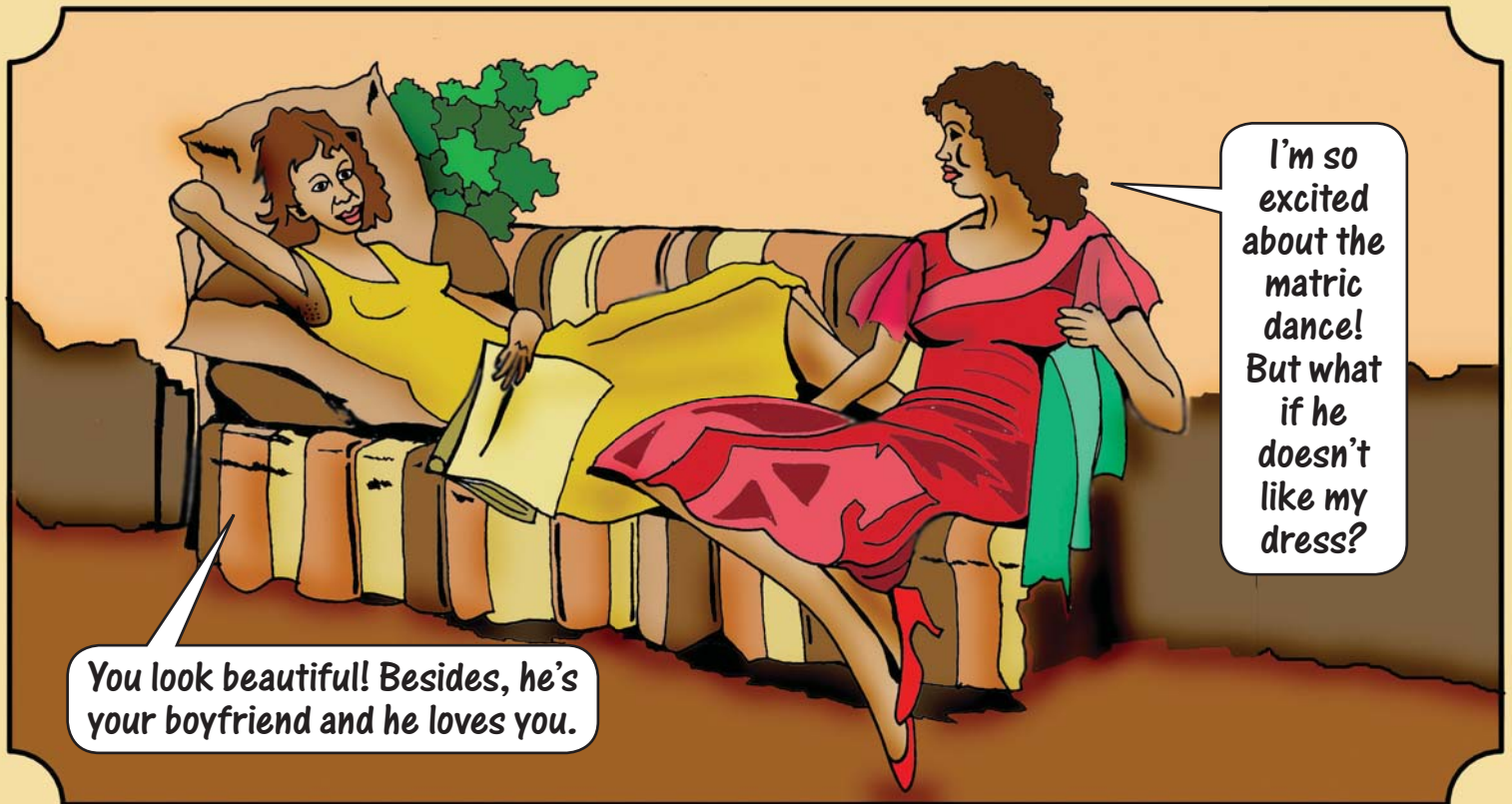


"If you really loved me...": THE PROBLEM OF DATE RAPE

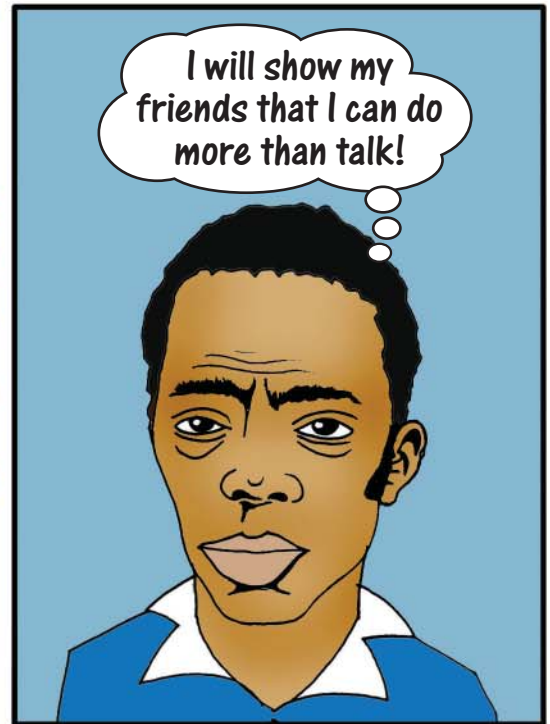






I would like to get to know you better. Let's go outside where it's quieter so we can talk.

Sure.

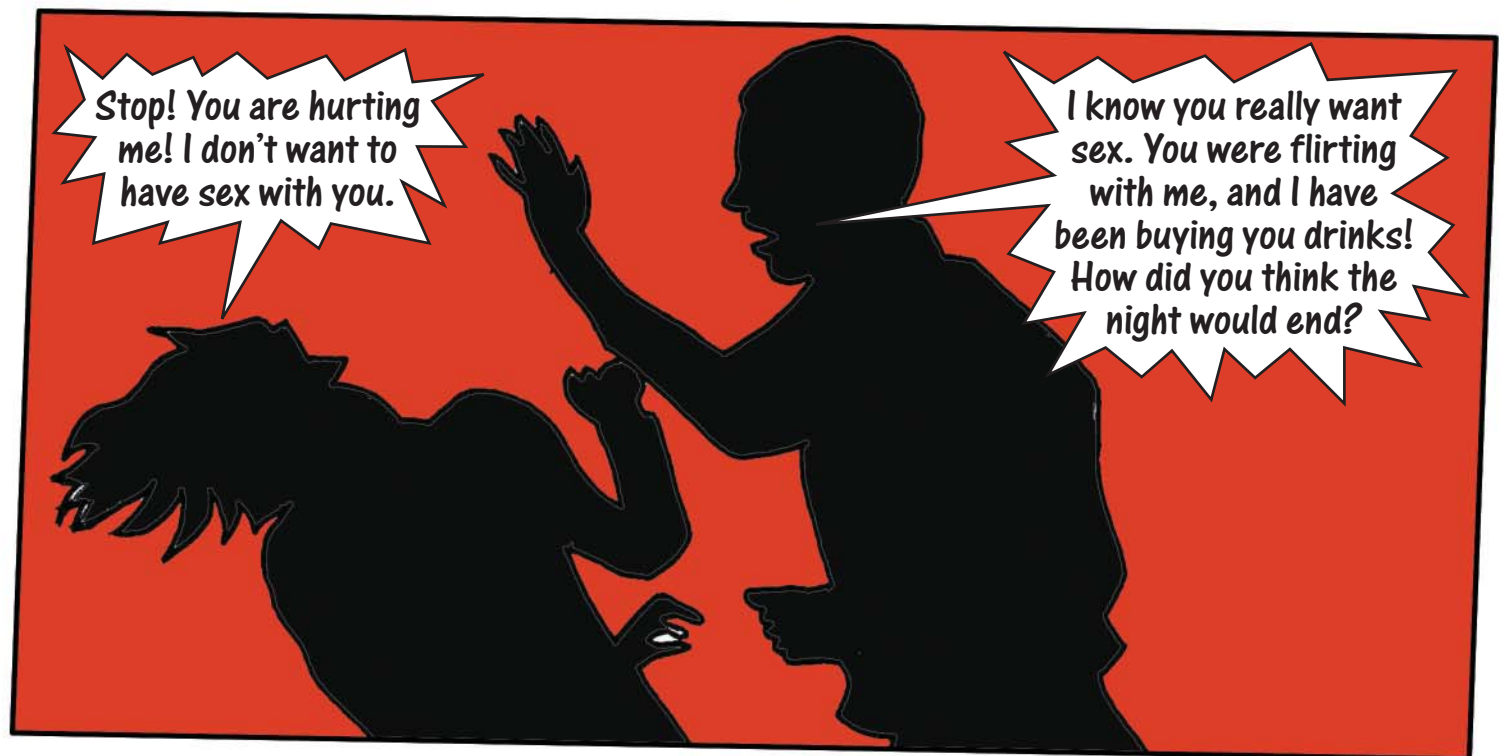


I will show my friends that I can do more than talk!



Hang on, we just met! You're getting a bit over-eager.

No girl says "no" to me.



Stop! You are hurting me! I don't want to have sex with you.

I know you really want sex. You were flirting with me, and I have been buying you drinks! How did you think the night would end?

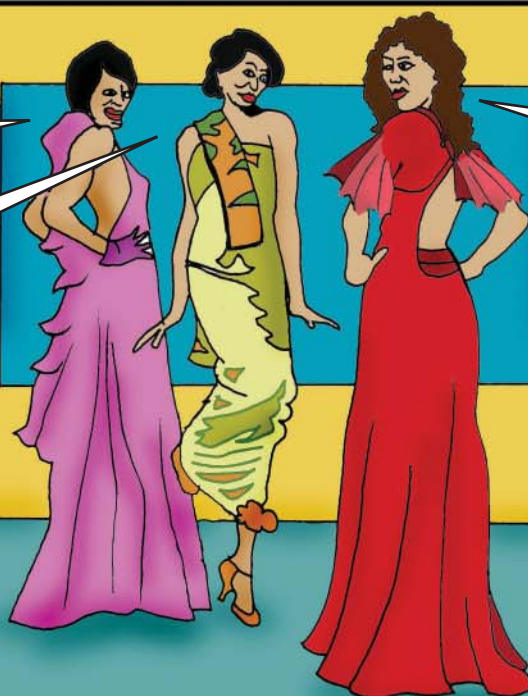
MEANWHILE, AT THE
MATRIC DANCE...



I can see that you and
David are in love!

Are you
going to
take things
to the
next level
tonight?

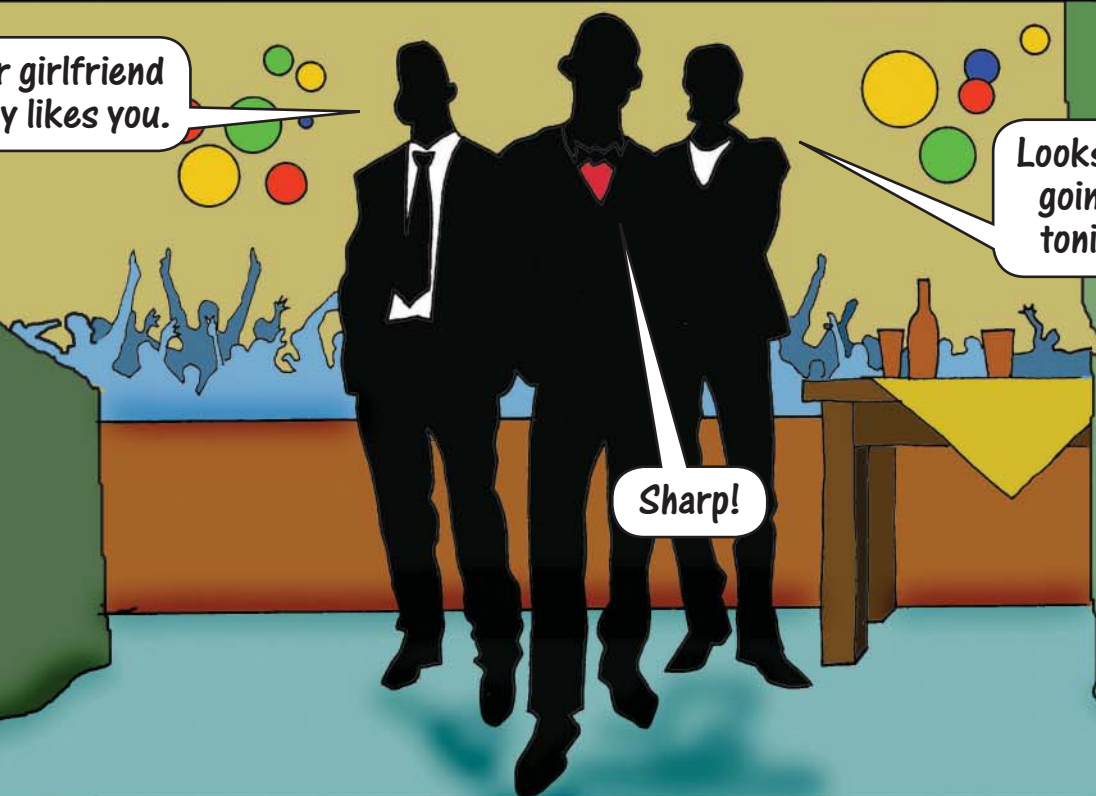
No. I love him,
but I'm not
ready for sex.

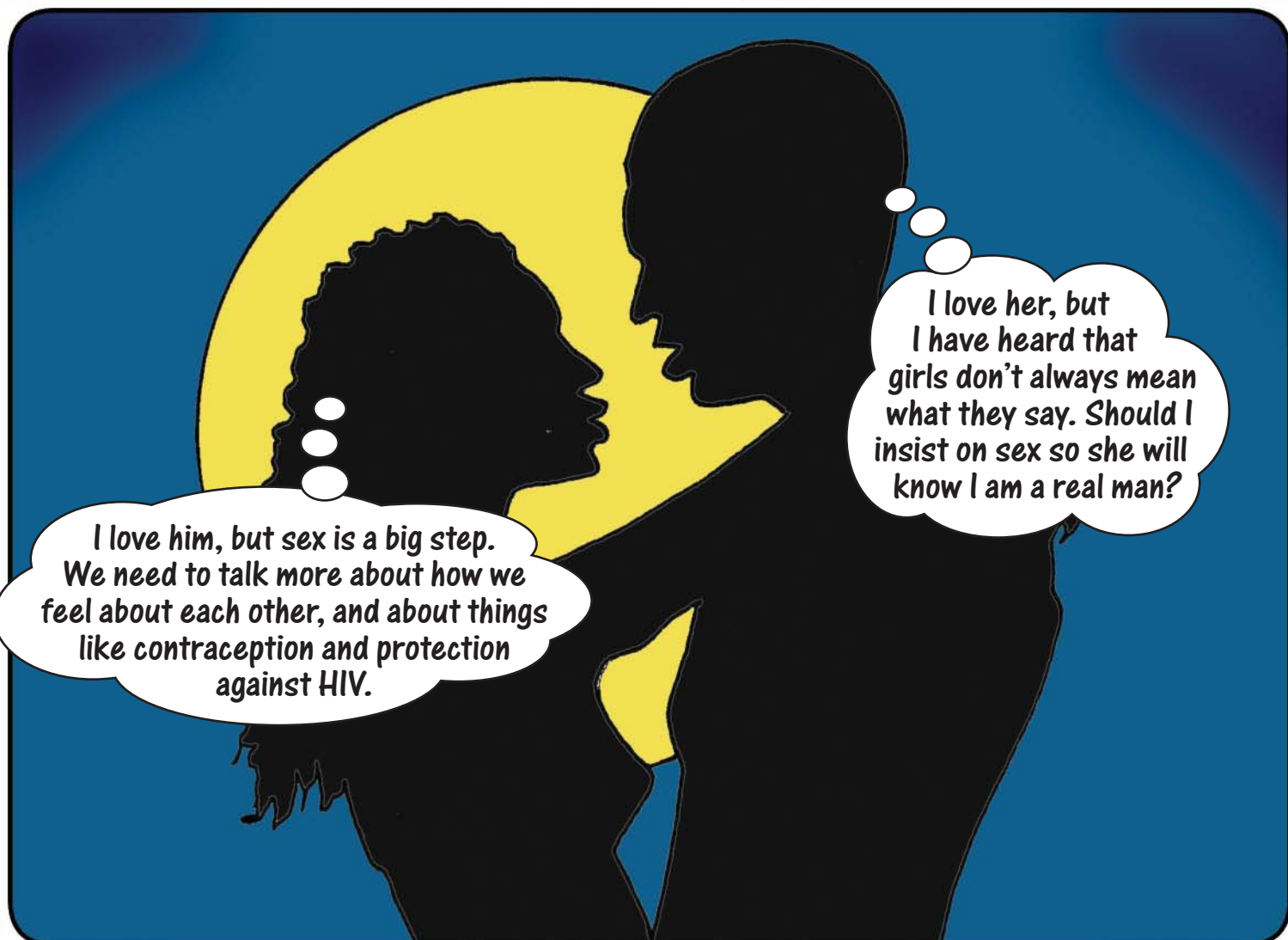


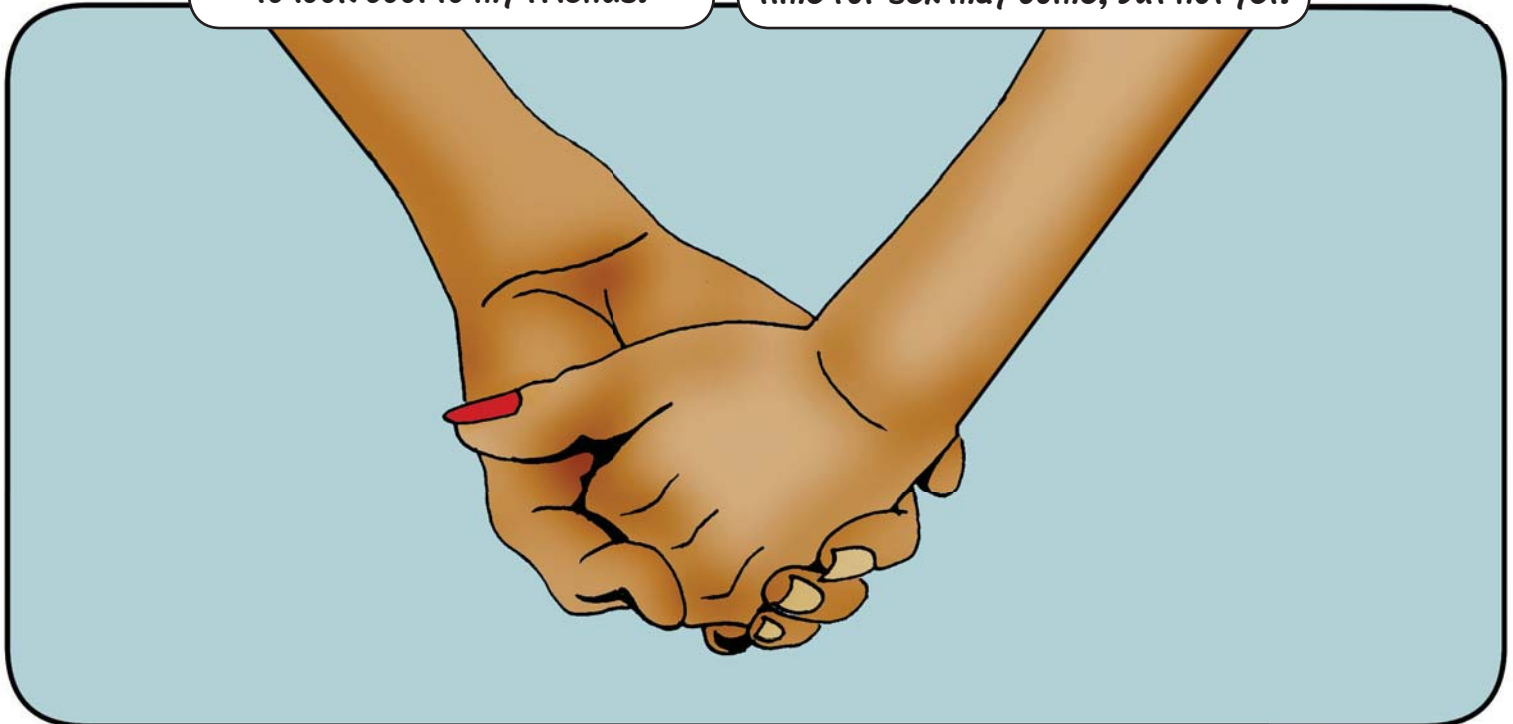
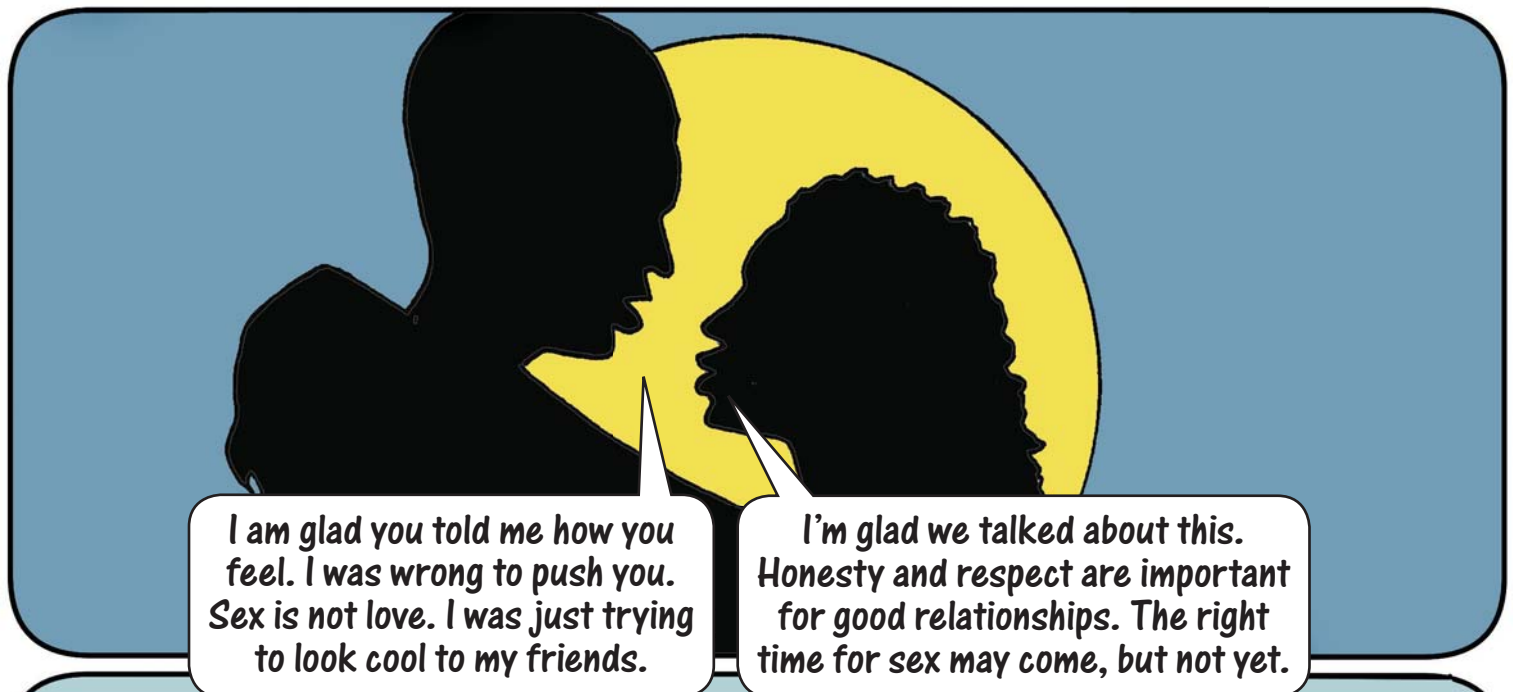
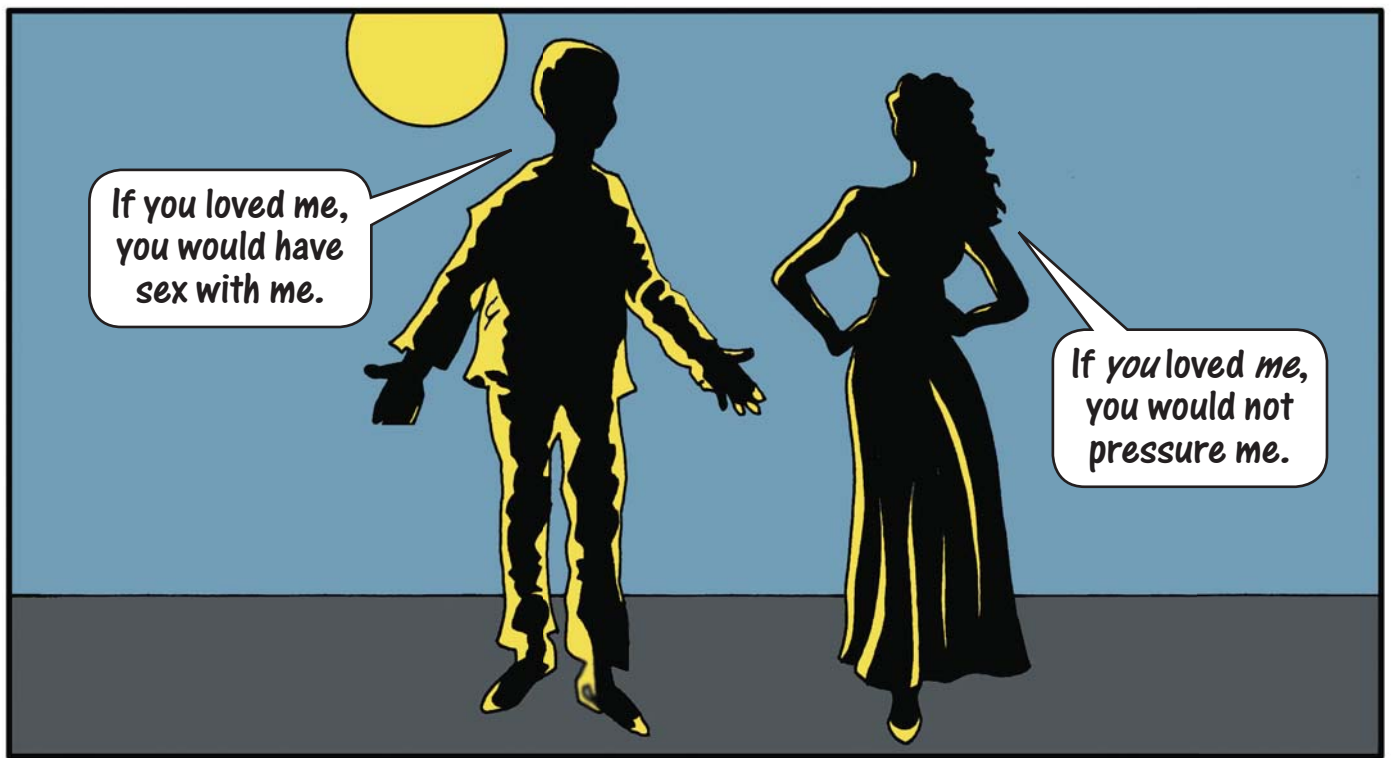
Your girlfriend
really likes you.

Looks like you're
going to score
tonight, dude.

Sharp!









Where to report a rape

If you have been raped, you should immediately report the rape at a Woman and Child Protection Unit, or at any police station. Woman and Child Protection Units are open from 8am to 5pm, Monday to Friday. If it is the evening or a weekend, contact the nearest police station. They will locate a staff member of the Woman and Child Protection Unit for you. Someone from the Woman and Child Protection Unit should be "on call" 24 hours a day.

If you are unable to get in touch with a Woman and Child Protection Unit, ask someone from any police station to take you to a hospital. If they refuse, go to a hospital yourself. It is important that you be examined by a doctor as soon as possible. Tell the doctor that you have been raped. Get in touch with the Woman and Child Protection Unit as soon as you can.

It takes a lot of courage to report a rape, especially if the rapist is someone you know. But if you do not report the rape, the rapist cannot be punished.

The rapist will go free and perhaps rape someone else.

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You may also want to talk to a friend or trusted adult such as a social worker or pastor. If you are a child and you are not sure what to do, you can call the child helpline free on 116.

If you would like to talk to someone about relationship issues, you can talk to a parent, relative, a social worker, a school counsellor or a pastor. You can also contact LifeLine/ChildLine:

ADULTS:

Call 061-232221.

CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS:

Call free on 116.

Anyone can sms LifeLine/ChildLine on 081-6614000 to get sexual and reproductive health information.



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