

Know what sexual extortion looks like so you can stop it!

What is sexual extortion or sextortion?

- Sextortion is a crime that happens when someone pressures you to do something uncomfortable or inappropriate, like asking for pictures or videos of your body.
- Sextortion can also be when someone threatens to share pictures or videos of you that you don't want shared unless you do something that you don't want to do or send money.

How to recognize sextortion and stay safe:

- Be careful online. Videos and photos are not proof that a person is who they claim to be. Never switch to a different app or talk privately and block messages from strangers.
- Sexual extortion is a crime, even if it is someone you know.
- Sextortion may look like someone threatening to harm you, your reputation, or people you love in exchange for sexually inappropriate pictures, videos, or other behavior.

How to get help:

- **YOU ARE NOT ALONE.** If this has happened to you or someone you know, tell a trusted adult.
- Those who commit these crimes are wrong and it is not your fault. Even if you have shared pictures or videos of yourself, a trusted adult can help.

If you don't feel that you have adults in your corner, you can reach out to NCMEC for support at gethelp@ncmec.org or you can call us at 1-800-THE-LOST.



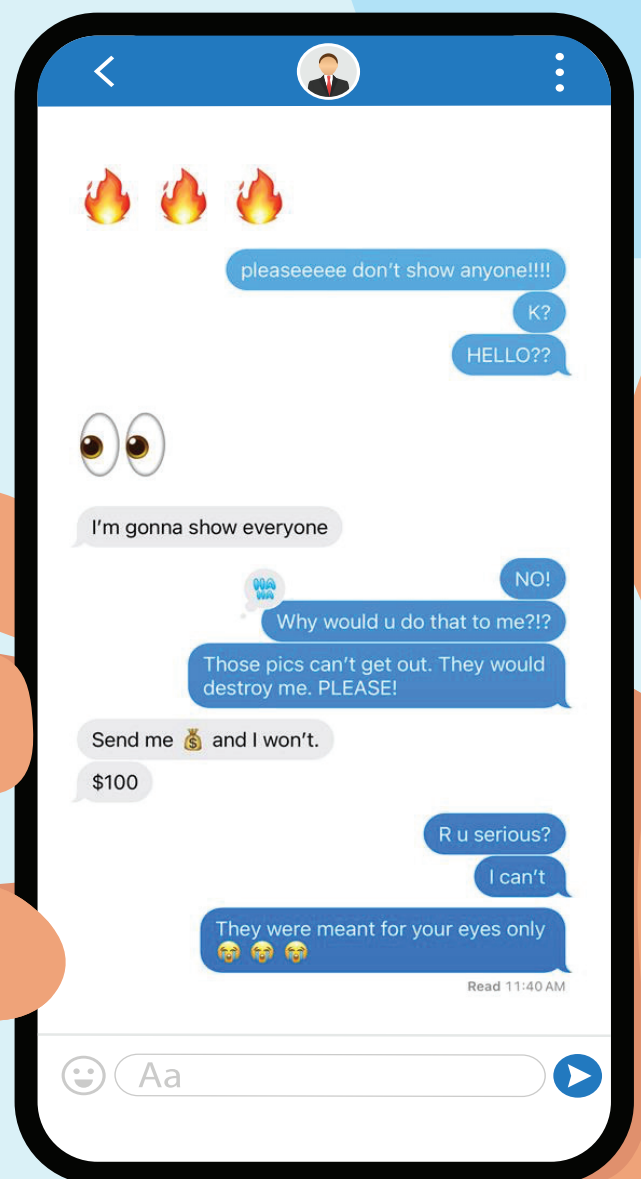
If you or a friend have experienced sexual extortion, reach out:

Ky State Police: (502) 782-1800 or 911

FBI: 1-800-CALL-FBI

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 988

Take It Down: takeitdown.ncmec.org



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