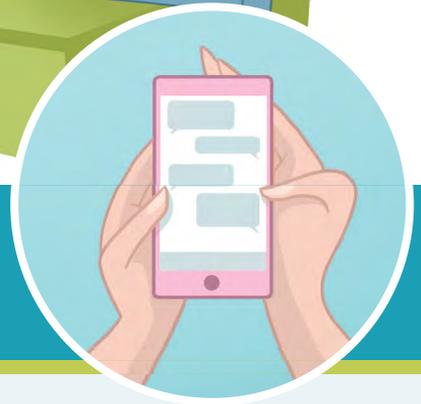


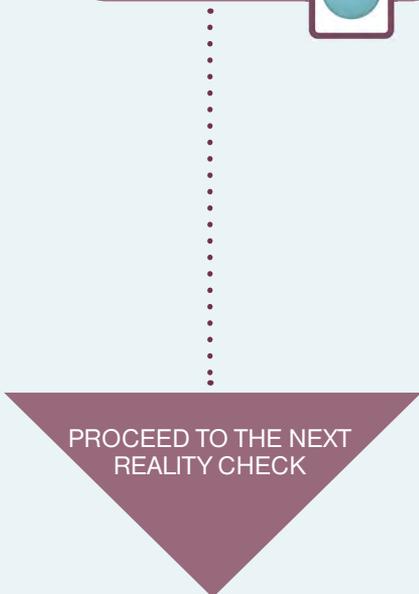
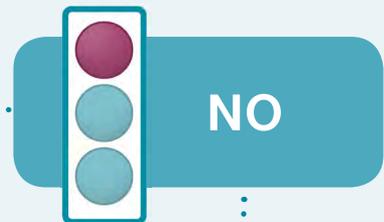
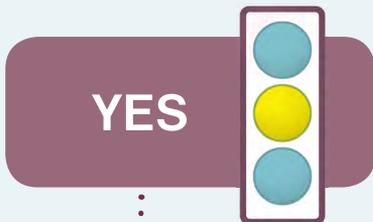
Romance Reality Check

You seem to have a special relationship with a person of the opposite sex, which might even be love. And you think the feeling is mutual. But you're not sure. What can you do?



REALITY CHECK 1

Ask Yourself, 'AM I READY TO DATE?'



How can you keep this friendship from developing into a romance on *either* side?



REALITY CHECK 2

THINK THROUGH YOUR FEELINGS



How would you feel if this person told you that he or she was dating someone else?



Happy



Confused



Betrayed

Why do you view this person as more than a friend?

REALITY CHECK 3

THINK ABOUT THE OTHER PERSON



Has this person ever stated outright that he or she views you as more than a friend?

YES

NO

What reasons do you have for believing that he or she has a romantic interest in you?

Does your friend treat *others* the way you just described, or do you seem to be singled out as special?

Why do you think he or she has not directly expressed romantic interest in you?

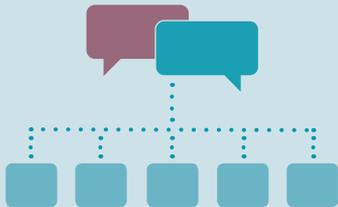
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REALITY CHECK 4

THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU CAN DO



What could be the consequences, good or bad, of asking your friend if he or she views you as more than a friend?



GOOD: _____

BAD: _____

In what other ways might you be able to determine whether the person views you as more than a friend?



If you decide to discuss the matter with the person, what might you say?

