Healthy relationships

All relationships have challenges. It is how we deal with these challenges that make our relationships healthy or unhealthy!

Healthy relationships have	Examples
Respect	using manners and being kind
Caring	showing concern when the other is upset
Trust	trusting the other to be there for them
Fun	enjoying time spent together
Compromise	coming to mutual agreements that satisfy both people
Honesty	being truthful and sincere
Listening	listening to what the other has to say
Tolerance	being patient and understanding
Acceptance	Liking the other person for who he/she is

Warning signs for unhealthy relationships	Examples
Rejection	talks behind your back or makes fun of you
Bossy	tells you what to do and/or how to spend your time
Put-Downs	embarrasses you, or says mean things to you
Rumours	tells lies about you or shares secrets
Guilt	makes you feel bad for not doing what they want
Threats	uses threats to get you to do what they want
Violence	scratching, kicking, pinching, pushing, hitting, etc.

(Texted.ca, http://ww.texted.ca/app/en/healthy_vs_unhealthy_relationships; The Door That's Not Locked, http://www.thedoorthatsnotlocked.ca/app/en/everyone_else/8-9/unhealthy_friendships)

If you or someone you know is in an unhealthy relationship, get help as soon as possible.

- Tell a trusted adult, like a parent, teacher, or counsellor.
- Kids Help Phone: (1-800-668-6868) http://www.kidshelpphone.ca
- In the event of an emergency, always call 911.



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