

Common Traits of Victims

- Scripted/inconsistent stories
- Branding or tattoo with “Daddy,” a man’s name, or money symbols
- Wounds, whip marks, and bruises at various stages of healing
- Seductive behavior with men
- Frightened, ashamed, or nervous
- Malnourished
- No eye contact
- Runaway or homeless youth
- Dating a man who is much older, abusive, or controlling
- Multiple absences from school
- Immodest or inappropriate clothing

Questions to Ask

- Where have you lived in the past year?
- Do you feel safe? Can you go home?
- Who helps you when you’re not home?
- When you run, where do you go?
- Have you ever been unable to leave?
- How old are you?
- Do you have a boyfriend?
- Where do you stay, eat, and sleep?
- Who pays the bills?
- Who works? What do they do? Where?
- Who keeps the money?
- Has anyone forced you to do something you didn’t want to do?
- Have you ever traded sex for food or a place to sleep?
- Have you ever been assaulted?
- Have you or someone you love ever been threatened?