



Forms of Violence Against **Girls**



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Did you know the following are types of violence against girls?

- 1. Defilement**-when someone under the age of 18 years is sexually violated



2. Rape-
sexual
violation of a
person over 18
years



3. Sexual assault-
when some violates
you with his sexual organs,
or with an
object or does
something
meant to
violate your
sexual organs

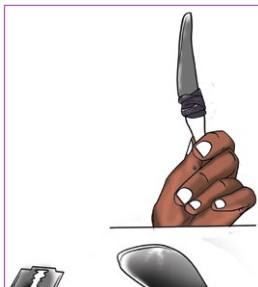


4. Forced Child Marriage-when you are married without your permission and against your will



5. Child marriages- This is when a girl who is below 18 years old is married off

6. Female Genital Mutilation



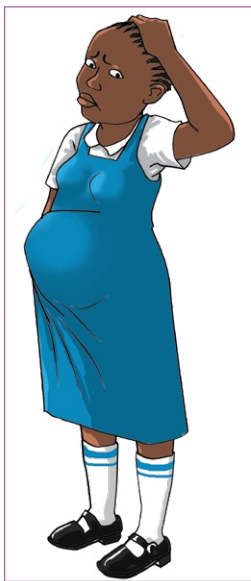
7. Use of girls as prostitutes, sex slavery, or child sex tourism by parents, relatives, or other people



8. Sexual Harassment in schools and the community

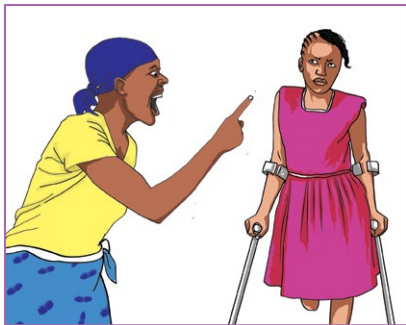


9. Forced to get pregnant



10. Forced to do an abortion

11. Verbal abuses- Someone using dirty words against you



12. Emotional violence- this include actions such as verbal violence, or someone engaging in actions that hurt your feelings and make you stressed or depressed

13. Forced to use contraceptives such as pills to prevent pregnancy

14. Use of pornography- someone showing you sex pictures, videos, or any other materials on the internet to make you act in a particular way

What you should do when you experience any of this forms violence

- Do not bath but rush immediately to the hospital if it is rape or defilement case
- Report to the guiding and counseling teacher or any other teacher you feel you trust to share with such information

- Report to your parents, sister, or brother
- Report to the police, chief or sub-chief
- Report to the peer educator
- Write on a piece of paper what you have experienced and drop it in a place where your school has set aside for dropping such personal information

- See a counselor for advice and support
- Tell a close friend about it
- Tell any other person you feel you can trust

Now tell us about yourself

Yours name: _____

Your school: _____

Your class: _____

Which of the form(s) of violence in this book have you experienced?



What did you do when you experienced this violence?

Did you get help after this violence? _____

If you did not get support, do you need someone to talk to or help you about this violence you experienced? _____

(Once you have filled this page, please tear it, and drop it in the private boxes or points such as “speaking boxes” or any other place where your school has set aside for sharing private information)



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The purpose of this booklet is to create awareness and educate girls in primary and secondary schools of the various forms of violence they are facing or are likely to face in and outside the school system.

This empowerment is expected to increase reportage of such forms of violence to the school management and other authorities. The awareness is further expected to contribute to reduction of these forms of violence as the school administration and the surrounding communities put in place measures to protect the girls.

The design and layout of this book is aimed at making the content appealing and interactive for children in both lower and upper class primary schools as well as in high school. It is hoped the booklet will help these children and their teachers to engage in a healthy and robust discussions around forms of violence and how to prevent and manage them.



