

“Tell Your Story” Organizer (Answer Key)

Student Name:

Barbi’s Story

1. How did pornography use relate to sexual abuse in Barbi’s story?

The uncle who abused Barbi made her view pornography prior to the abuse. She believes the pornography led directly to the abuse.

2. How did Barbi’s mother show her authentic love?

She helped Barbi pursue the issue in court. She read Barbi’s statement to her abuser to show that what he did would not be ignored.

3. What role does hope play in Barbi’s story?

She wants her home to be a place of safety for others so that they can talk about realities that may be uncomfortable. She also talks about how she has control over her own future.

Dan’s Story

1. How does Dan describe the effect pornography had on him?

He describes pornography as something that made him feel horrible, flat, and empty. There was a constant sense of sorrow and numbness. He lacked interest in real people and was not able to pursue real romantic relationships.

2. What brought Dan hope?

After hitting rock bottom and considering suicide, he decided to try to improve his life. He looked up porn addiction on the internet and started to learn more about it so he could start to recover.

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Ash’s Story

1. **How does Ash describe the effect pornography had on her?**

She started to view men differently. She would feel empty after watching pornography. It made her think that relationships were only about gaining physical pleasure from the other.

2. **What event made Ash realize that something needed to change?**

She was asked to meet up in person with someone she had met in a chatroom. She realized things had gone too far and she had to get her life back under control.

3. **What brought hope to Ash’s life?**

Opening up to real life relationships helped bring hope and healing. She now wants to fight for and protect the relationships she has in her real life.

Andrew & Eva’s Story

1. **How did pornography use lead to anger and violence in Andrew and Eva’s home?**

Andrew had been struggling with pornography since he was a teenager, so when this secret was discovered by Eva, he became very angry. He compares it to a drug addict going into withdrawal. One day he punched the house and broke his hand. That’s when he realized something needed to change.

2. **How did Andrew’s pornography use impact Eva?**

She started to doubt whether she could trust herself and whether she could trust Andrew. She experienced a state of shock similar to when she had found her first husband after he had passed away.

3. **How did Eva’s love help heal Andrew’s addiction?**

Her love has shown him there is more to life than what’s on a screen. There is greater mutual compassion and emotional intimacy in their marriage.

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Alia, Joshua, Greg, & Aaron’s Stories:

1. **What happened to Alia when she refused to go to a shoot that her manager wanted her to do?**

Her manager took her phone and shoes and left her in the middle of nowhere by herself at night.

2. **How did Joshua feel about himself working in the pornography industry, and why did he choose to leave?**

Joshua felt ashamed of what he was doing and decided to quit working in the pornography industry when he became suicidal.

3. **Describe the cycle that Greg explains he was stuck in.**

Greg says that he went to work and did the pornography in order to buy the drugs to bury the pain of doing the pornography.

4. **Did Aaron fully consent to the pornography scene he describes?**

No - Aaron signed the contract in order to get paid, but he did not know the details of the rape scene he was then forced to be in.