TEACHING HUMAN DIGNITY

Fight the New Drug Videos: Individuals, Relationships, Society (Answer Key)

Student Name:

How Pornography Affects Individuals

1. What is the brain wired for?

Connection/intimacy

2. What happens over time as someone watches pornography?

They begin to need more pornography, and more hard-core forms of pornography, to feel "normal" (similar to the way drugs impact a person)

3. When someone has developed a compulsion for pornography, how do they view their "real life" relationship?

"Real life" relationships seem less interesting, less satisfying

How Pornography Affects Relationships

1. What happened to the 50 babies who were not spoken to or cuddled as infants? What does this tell us about the nature of the human person?

All of those babies died. This shows that human contact (love, touch, affection) is essential to human health and flourishing.

2. What underlying positive desire might lead someone to seek out pornography?

The desire for love and connection

3. Explain why it is incorrect to say that pornography use makes people better lovers.

Studies confirm the opposite is true - porn users express less love for their partners, become more critical of their partner's physical appearance, and are less able to perform sexually. Users are more disrespectful and aggressive within their intimate relationships, and less willing to commit to a partner.

How Pornography Affects Society

1. What happened almost immediately after the 2015 earthquake in Nepal?

There was immediate relief sent from China and India. By the end of the day, people, money and supplies were sent to Nepal from 60 different countries and 35 different organizations.

Fight the New Drug Videos: Individuals, Relationships, Society cont. (Answer Key)

2. How can technology lead to deeper human connection? In other words, what are some of the positive human impacts of technology?

We can reduce human suffering more quickly and easily. Technology can help people rally together to create a positive impact.

3. What is the "shadow side" of technology? In other words, what are some of the negative human impacts of technology?

People can also work together for harm, and negative influences can impact many people in a short amount of time.

4. What are some of the negative impacts of pornography?

On an individual level, pornography can destroy relationships and split families apart. On a larger scale, 88% of pornographic scenes include aggression and violence, which impacts the way we view sexual intimacy as a wider culture. Pornography is also directly connected to child exploitation and human trafficking.