



TEACHING HUMAN DIGNITY

# Unit Introduction

Formed by Our Senses: The Impact of Pornography  
on the Individual, Relationships, and Society



# Unit Goals

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- Recognize and experience how we receive information through our senses and how sense perception impacts the understanding of our world and ourselves.
- Conduct research on how the use of pornography affects the individual, relationships, and society.
- Describe the impacts of pornography
- Explain why pornography is harmful using scientific research and insights from Catholic anthropology

# Lessons and Objectives

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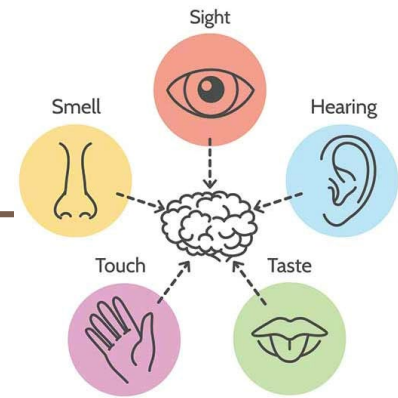


## Lesson #1: Popular Understandings of Love

- This lesson will give us a greater awareness about what we take in through the media at a subconscious level.
- We will also identify dominant cultural ideas about human anthropology by studying the lyrics of popular songs.

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## Lesson #2: Formed by the Senses

- In this lesson, we will learn about the role of our five senses in helping us perceive the world around us.
- We will also discuss how our sense perception is ordered towards integration. When we experience something with our senses, it affects us on multiple levels.

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## Lesson #3: Understanding the Impact of Pornography

- This lesson will provide an opportunity for us to study the negative impact pornography has on individuals, relationships, and society at large.
- We will also consider where hope might be found in the conversation surrounding pornography.

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## Lessons #4: Pornography and Catholic Anthropology

- In this lesson, we will explore the meaning of St. John Paul II's statement: "The problem with pornography is not that it shows too much but that it shows too little."
- We will also draw connections between science and theology to better understand the Church's teaching on pornography.

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## Lessons #5: The Problems of Pornography

- In this lesson, we will work in groups to identify the numerous problems related to pornography and whether they affect individuals, relationships, and/or society.
- We will also recognize that the Catholic Church affirms the these same problems with pornography and offers a holistic vision of the human person.