**RELATIONSHIPS AND** SEX EDUCATION



**Contraception & STIs** 

Monday, 22 September 2025



## Contraception Explored Further

#### **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Knowledge, Skills & Actions







To understand the block, supress, and disable methods to reducing the risk of pregnancy

To explore which forms of contraception protect against pregnancy, STI's, or both

To know what thrush is, and the common symptoms of it in men and women

#### **NEW VOCABULARY**

Block, Supress, Disable, Thrush, Diaphragm, Vasectomy, Hysterectomy



Unscramble the anagrams all linked to contraception

Is there a difference between what a product says it will do, and what it actually does? (Think about cars...)

Answers (CLICK TO REVEAL)

3 Minutes

## GROUND



Be open and honest

No Personal Comments

Discussions must be about

'general situations'

You don't have to say things about yourself if you don't want to

#### It's OK to be embarrassed

by a topic but don't show that you are embarrassed through silliness

#### Be Respectful

Listen & don't interrupt others

Only 1 person talking at a time

Use the agreed appropriate Language (Avoid slang terms)



DEALING WITH SENSITIVE TOPICS

SAFEGUARDING YOUR
WELFARE & HAVING YOUR
INTERESTS AT HEART

There are **no stupid questions**It's OK to get things wrong





#### **Don't Make Assumptions**

about people's values, attitudes, behaviours, life experiences or feelings

Be Non-Judgemental
No put-downs. Challenge
the opinion, not the
person

Conversations on sensitive topics stay in the classroom unless it is a <a href="mailto:safeguarding">safeguarding issue</a>

Enjoy the lesson, challenge your perceptions and understand how to seek further advice and support



## Contraception Explored Further



#### **BASELINE CONFIDENCE CHECKER**



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Complete a baseline assessment of where you think you are at for this lesson (Discuss or complete sheet)

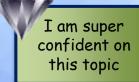
2 Minutes

I'm not confident at all on this topic

A little confident







## Methods for reducing the chance of pregnancy

### Method 1

Block the sperm from reaching the egg (barrier method).

Condoms & Femidoms prevent sperm coming into contact with the vaginal space.

**BLOCK** 

#### Method 3

Suppress ovulation in women using hormonal contraceptives.

E.G. Implants, the pill, patch, vaginal contraceptive ring, injections



#### Method 2

Disable sperm before they reach the uterus (this method may be combined with the barrier method).

E.G. Spermicides that demobilise and destroy sperm (cream, gel, foam, film).

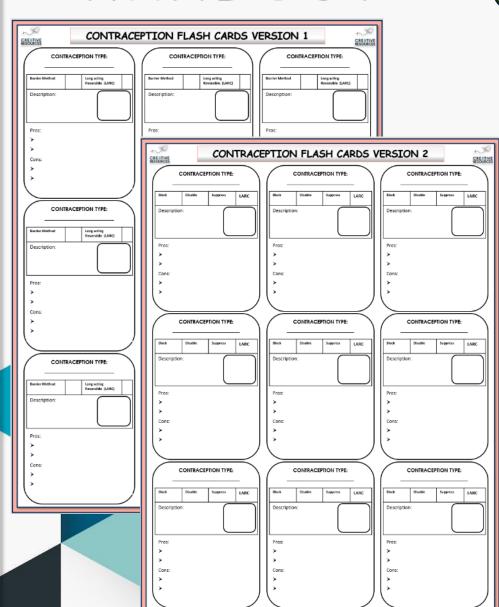


**DISABLE** 

#### **Task**

Which of these methods would also prevent STI's?

## HANDOUT



## Task

Create your own, or use the handout to complete fact file cards for nine different types of contraception.





## Contraceptive Methods



#### **About Contraception**

Task: Pick one or two coloured hats and answer all the related questions







What facts do I know? What else do I need to know? What do I want to know?

**INFORMATION** 



How do I feel about this? What don't I like about this? What do I like about this?



Can something be done? New ideas? What are the solutions/ suggestions?



What thinking is needed?
Next steps?
Where are we now?



What is wrong? Is it safe? Can it be done?

FEELINGS CREAT

CREATIVITY THIN

THINKING JUDGEMENT

## ACTIVITY

## Contraceptive Comparisons

Use the information and your own knowledge to complete the table. Then score each contraception out of 10 for preventing STIs

Contraception	Method	Positive	Negatives	Score /10
Condoms / Femidoms				1
Diaphragm			200	1200
IUD				1 45
Copper IUD		7/11/11/11/11/11/11		010
Implant				
Injection				
Contraceptive Pills	A			
Vaginal Ring			P. 10 / 10	
Calendar Method				
Withdrawal				
Abstinence				
Emergency Pill				
Surgical (Vasectomy)			AT	

## **THRUSH**

"Thrush is a common yeast infection that affects men and women. It's usually harmless, but can be uncomfortable and keep coming back. It is not classed as a sexually transmitted infection (STI)"

**Defined by the NHS** 

#### Thrush symptoms in women

- White vaginal discharge (like cottage cheese), which does not usually smell
- Itching and irritation around the vagina
- Soreness and stinging during sex or when you pee

## Did you know?

In women, thrush is often associated with a weakened immune system, hormonal changes (such as during pregnancy), taking antibiotics or steroids, using certain contraceptives, or wearing tight or synthetic clothing. Sexual activity may also contribute.

### Thrush symptoms in men

- Irritation, burning, and redness around the head of the penis and under the foreskin
- A white discharge (like cottage cheese)
- An unpleasant smell
- Difficulty pulling back the foreskin

## Did you know?

Factors that can increase the risk of thrush in men include having a weakened immune system, taking antibiotics or steroids, and having unprotected sex with a partner who has thrush.

## Points to Consider when Choosing Contraception

Is one method better than the others?

BLOCK / DISABLE / SUPRESS

Will it protect you against STIs?

How effective is it when not used perfectly?

Condom 98% used perfectly 82% (typical usage)

Pill & Patch 99% used perfectly 91% (typical usage)

**71%** (typical usage)

- Availability
- Ease of use
- Cost

**Possible side effects** 

(these mostly impact women rather than men)

Headaches, feeling sick and high blood pressure. Some side effects linked to hormonal methods which is why a prescription is needed from a doctor.

## Did you know?

Condoms come in a wide range of sizes, colours, and flavours.

Women can also purchase female condoms called femidoms.

## Did you know?

It is estimated that women buy 4 out of every 10 condoms sold in the UK. Wearing a condom every time you have sex is the most effective way of protecting yourself from an STI.

### Did you know?

Sexual health check-ups are free and available to everyone in the UK. They are completely confidential.

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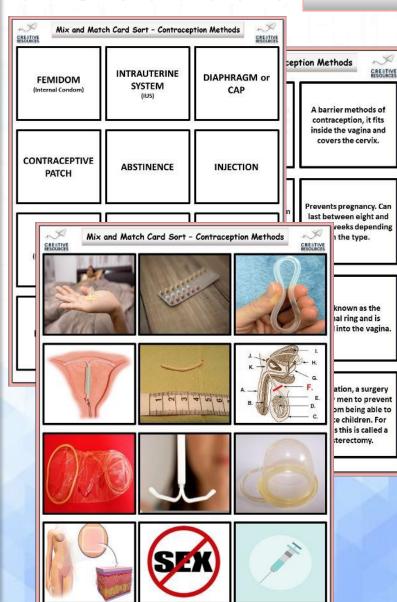
Some condoms are now vegan friendly, and others are not made out of latex. There is a condom to suit almost everyone no matter what your requirements. Ask at a pharmacy, or your doctor.

## Did you know?

Most STIs can be treated easily with a course of medication from the doctor. Signs and symptoms sometimes don't appear for months, and may go away, but you can still have an infection.

## ACTIVITY

## Contraceptive Card Sort



Task A)

Arrange the matching cards. (Picture, name & definition)
There are 12 contraceptive methods to match.

Task B)

Arrange them into the following orders:

1 (CLICK TO REVEAL)

2 (CLICK TO REVEAL)

3 (CLICK TO REVEAL)

4 (CLICK TO REVEAL)

5 (CLICK TO REVEAL)

# Debate which is better? **Think about advantages** and disadvantages of each method. EXTENSION Can you argue for the opposite side? ©CRESTIVE RESOURCES CIC WWW.CRESTIVERESOURCES.COM

## THOUGHTS & FEELINGS

## What Do You Think?



"If a girl gets pregnant it's her own fault for not using contraception properly"

## **Talking Points**



I think that ...

I don't think... is right because...

My opinion is...

I would argue the same because...

I disagree with... because...

Building on what... said. I think...

An alternate way of looking at this is...

I sort of agree, however....

I would challenge what.. said because ...

#### Do you agree or disagree? Why?

Can you add to the statement?

Do you have a question about the statement?

Would you like to challenge what is being said?

Do you have an alternative idea?





## REVIEW YOUR LEARNING OUTCOMES



#### **CONFIDENCE CHECKER**



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Complete the confidence checker of where you think you are at for this lesson

(Discussion or complete sheet)



I'm not confident at all on this topic

A little confident



Confident



I am super confident on this topic

## HOMEWORK SUGGESTION





#### **DUE DATE**

It must be submitted by..

Hand / Google Classroom



## **Homework Explained**

Create your own 5 question contraception quiz using any information you have learnt over the past 3 lessons.

Bring this with you to the next lesson to test a partner.







## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

2 Minutes



FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE TOPICS COVERED IN THIS UNIT WE WOULD ADVISE ONE OF THE BELOW:

SPEAK TO YOUR PARENTS/GUARDIANS, HEAD OF YEAR,
A TRUSTED ADULT OR FRIEND.

IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS ABOUT YOURSELF OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW.
IT IS IMPORTANT TO SPEAK UP AND TELL SOMEONE!

#### SPECIFIC FURTHER INFORMATION ON THIS TOPIC CAN BE FOUND HERE:

- □ <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/sexual-health/stages-of-puberty-what-happens-to-boys-and-girls/">https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/sexual-health/stages-of-puberty-what-happens-to-boys-and-girls/</a> NHS
- ☐ A sexual health clinic (GUM clinic)
- □ <a href="https://kidshealth.org/#cattake-care">https://kidshealth.org/#cattake-care</a> Information on a variety of topics
- https://www.brook.org.uk/your-life/puberty/ Brook Health lives for young people
- https://www.sexwise.org.uk/ run by The Department of Health and Social Care.
- □ Call the National Sexual Health Helpline provided by The Department of Health and Social Care on 0300 123 7123

SEEKING



## REFLECTION PLENARY



A problem I overcame today was...

Before I only knew...
now I also know...

The key words for this lesson were...

I'm really proud of the way I have...

**Today I have tried to...** 

The most important thing I have learnt today is...

I used to feel ... but I now feel ...

Before I would have done...
Now I will ...

Next lesson I would like to...

A question I would like to ask is...

I would like to learn more about...

I know if I need further support or help I could speak to.... or contact...

I now know I can supported others by...

One thing I didn't realise was... this will help me to...

2 Minutes



