
EDUCATOR ANSWER KEY – VALUES SCENARIOS 2

The answer key is meant as a guide only. There are many different ways that students can and will respond to these scenarios and the answers provided are examples of possible responses. It is important to remember that young people are the experts of their own lives and will likely have more insight into these scenarios than an answer key could ever provide

Scenario 1

At summer camp, everyone starts to pair off as couples. Rae really likes Sam and wants to hold Sam's hand. One day at campfire, Rae reaches out to grab Sam's hand, startled, Sam pulls away and says "ewwwwwwwww!" really loudly. (So loudly that everyone looks and starts to giggle). Rae feels hurt and disappointed but doesn't talk to Sam about it. The next day on the dock, Rae sees Sam holding someone else's hand. Rae gets really mad, marches over, and pushes Sam into the lake.

- What are the personal values each person might be breaking in this scenario?
 - Rae: values of respect, personal space, and ways to solve conflict/deal with emotions might be broken.
 - Sam: values of friendship, trust, empathy, and respect.
- What made them violate their own values?
 - Feelings of disappointment, embarrassment, jealousy, anger, and confusion.



Scenario 2

Pat is attracted to Mac because of Mac's awesome sense of humour. They start spending a lot of time together outside of school and Pat assumes that this means they are dating. One day when they are hanging out alone after school, Pat leans in to kiss Mac on the lips. Mac is shocked and tries to pull away but Pat responds by pulling Mac in closer. Mac does not like the feeling and wants to stop but doesn't know what to say. After a couple of minutes, Pat stops kissing Mac and Mac leaves without saying goodbye. Pat feels angry and rejected. The next day at school, Pat starts a rumour about Mac being "easy."

- What are the personal values each person might be breaking in this scenario?
 - Pat: values of consent, trust, and respect.
 - Mac: values of trust (in oneself), courage, consent, and honesty.
- What made them violate their own values?
 - Feeling insecure, angry, rejected, scared, out of control, and unsure.

Scenario 3

Piper and Rory met on an online forum for gamers. They got along so well that they started texting. They have never met in person but have a meaningful connection. One day, Piper asks Rory to send a selfie in a bathing suit. Rory's gut instinct is to not send anything, so Rory doesn't write back and ignores the next few texts from Piper. Piper feels hurt about being ignored. Piper starts texting more and more. Rory doesn't know what to do and eventually gives in to Piper and sends a selfie at the beach. Piper posts the picture publicly on social media with heart emojis. Rory feels betrayed and deletes Piper from all social media accounts and stops visiting the forum where they met.

- What are the personal values each person might be breaking in this scenario?
 - Piper: values of being open about the intention of the picture, respectful, and honest.
 - Rory: values around sexuality and sharing images online, the values involved in trusting oneself and asking for help.
- What made them violate their own values?
 - Feelings of insecurity, fear of possible rejection, neediness, uncertainty, and wanting to be “polite.”



Scenario 4

Gael and Bailey are best friends in different grades. They enjoy the same movies and hang out a lot outside of school but Gael ignores Bailey at school, when Gael is hanging out with friends who are all in a higher grade. Bailey feels hurt and betrayed but pretends that everything is fine. Bailey tries to be extra nice to Gael when they are alone, hoping that Gael will be nicer too. Gael starts to find Bailey fake and starts to distance from the friendship.

- What are the personal values each person might be breaking in this scenario?
 - Gael: values around empathy, respect, friendships/relationships, and communication.
 - Bailey: values around friendships, honesty with self, boundaries, and communication.
- What made them violate their own values?
 - Feelings of uncertainty around how to communicate, peer pressure and perceived social expectations, desire for popularity, embarrassment, shame, feeling self-conscious, anger, hurt, betrayal, rejection, and fear.