

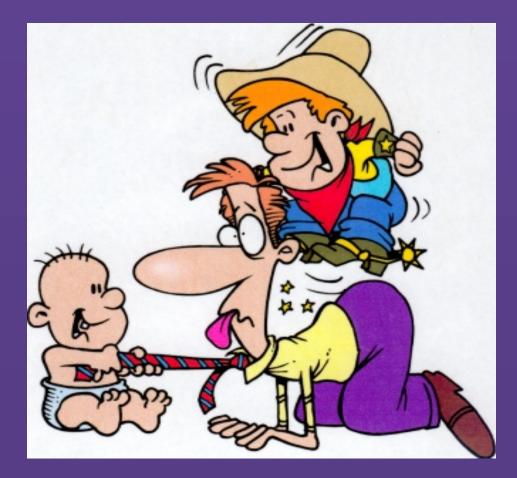
- Backache
- Heartburn
- Getting a seat on the bus
- Can't see your toes
- Getting lots of attention
- Tired
- Feeling the baby kick



- Having someone to love and be proud of
- Being kept awake at night
- Lots of smelly nappies
- Not having time on your own
- Losing your social life
- Watching the baby grow



- Always having to clean up
- Playing with the baby
- Never having enough money
 - Buying baby clothes
 - First day at playgroup



- Not getting any peace
- Wishing they wouldn't grow up so quickly
- Having piles of washing and ironing to do
- Putting your sex life on hold
 - Finding a baby sitter
 - Hearing their first word

How have things changed?

- Larger families
- Smaller communities
- Babies born at home
- Less expertise
- Less professional support

- Smaller families
- Families living further apart
- Babies born in hospital
- More expertise
- More professional support

What does Straight Talking do?



- Gives young people an educated choice
- Supports young parents to move back into education and employment
- Works with other organisations in the field of sex and relationships education

Why do teenage girls have babies?

- Maybe he'll stay with me if I have his baby
- My parents will recognise that I'm grown up and won't be able to tell me what to do
- I'll get out of home and have a place of my own
- My friends will be impressed and support me
- I'll have someone to love who will love me

The Programme

- Years 9 & 10
- 4 lessons of one hour per week
- Both sexes
- Activities and games
- Pupil involvement



Where



- Kingston
- Richmond
- Merton
- Sutton
- Barking & Dagenham
- Redbridge
- Surrey

Types of schools

- Mainstream
- Pupil Referral Units
- Special Needs
- Denominational Schools

Employing, training and supporting teenage parents

- Employed part time
- Supported
- Training
- Driving lessons
- Moving on



Appraising and Evaluating

- Pupils
- Teachers
- Course Leaders
- Retrospective learning
- External Evaluations

Training Programmes

- School nurses
- Teachers
- Youth Workers
- Voluntary sector

