



Pikinini sexual assault: Myths and facts

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For mepla for prapa understand wiskind sexual assault harm pikinini blo you me, mepla have to understand them myths.

Myth 1# E fault blo them parents thempla pikinini be get sexually assaulted. Ol should be protect thempla prapa

Fact: Ol parents always gedeh blame for nor look out for them pikinini blo thempla from them kind something. E nor thempla for blame, e them offenders. Mepla have to make sure mepla understand whotha we have to hold responsible for sexually assaulting pikinini blo you me.

Myth 2# Child sex offenders e ol stranger

Fact: The pikinini sabe 70-90% of them offenders

Myth 3# Them people whotha assault thempla own pikinini nor gor be danger for ol nother man pikinini

Fact: Child Sex Offenders nor only meke them assualts one time. If thempla assault thempla own pikinini, ol might also sexually assault pikinini blo nother man.

Myth 4# Ol picnini "invite" sexual assault by acting seductively

Fact: Ol adults must act gud sense and responsibility. Ol pikinini blo you me nor wande them kind attention or no good something for happen for thempla.

Myth 5# Incest and sexual assaults only happen where ol poor pamleh

Fact: Incest and sexual assault e happen where ol kind pamleh, rich or poor, big pamleh or small pamleh, well educated or not well educated.

Myth 6# Some pikinini like sexual attention from ol adults that's why e nor gor harm thempla

Fact: E gud so many on going effects from child sexual assault. Them pikinini whether be experience them kind something can continuously gud fear, confusion, guilt, shame and sadness for ol kind reason.

Myth 7# E fault blo the pikinini because em nor be spik "no" or be try for stop em from happening.

Fact: Ol pikinini can respond them kind where ol stress response is to "freeze" that's why ol cant say "no". Ol adult e in a position of power, thempla have full control of this situation, nor blo the pikinini.

Myth 8# Ol pikinini and ol young people always lie about sexual assault

Fact: 98% of sexual assaults reported by them pikinini blo you me e true.

Myth 9# Sometime ol pikinini misunderstand and wrongly accuse ol adult of sexual assault

Fact: Mepla must always listen to wanem mepla pikinini spik. Ol adult whothe offend pikinini blo you me can kasa meke play where thempla for disguise them "accidental touching" or tickling. Ol sometimes blame the pikinini too.

Myth 10# Incest or child sexual assault is acceptable in some cultures

Fact: E nor gud no evidence for support this. The cultural significance e vary from culture to culture. Child sexual offence e illegal in Australia.

Myth 11# Sexual Assault e nor big problem. E only them adults, child protection and legal authorities meke big something out of it, but e nothing.

Fact: Mepla have to voice mepla concerns and experiences where them kind something. Them legal authorities e act for make sure pikinini blo you me e safe from child sexual assault. E no good, negative experience for thempla.

Myth 12# If ol pikinini blo you me spik mepla something, but then after all nor wande spik the same thing, then ol must be lie in the first place

Fact: Ol pikinini nor wande meke nuisance. Ol nor wande meke trouble where thempla pamleh. But if ol spik something and then after ol nor wande spik gen, e because ol just wande thempla family for be "normal".