

A BFA FILM TITLE FACT-SHEET

NOT YET, BABY!

An innovative approach to pregnancy prevention for young teens. This film models refusal skills within a personal story, and dramatizes the catastrophic consequences of teen pregnancy. It provides powerful material for discussion, and vivid examples for role-playing.

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Written and directed by Gary Goldsmith

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Running Time: 28 minutes

Grade Levels: Intermediate, Junior-Senior High School Subject Areas: Health and Safety, Guidance, Adolescence,

Family Life, Contemporary Problems

Release Date: 1989

16mm purchase-\$560 Video purchase-\$325 16mm rental-\$65



A BFA Discussion Guide

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sexual abstinence for Grades 6-9

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Girls' and Boys' Lives, Contemporary Problems, Sex Education
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Synopsis

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Before Viewing Discussion

1. How do friends sometimes pressure us into having sex?

2. What does self respect have to do with a decision not to be sexually active?

3. Because someone has had sex before, does that mean the person has to keep having sex?

After Viewing Discussion

- 1. What are some reasons Curtis stopped pressuring Tanya? Is it possible he was relieved when she refused to have sex?
- 2. Why do you think Curtis and Tanya were smiling happily when they left the fast food restaurant in the final scene?
- 3. What do you think of JoJo's attitude of "Dig 'em, Do 'em, and Dump 'em? Do you think this attitude is mature? How do you think Naomi reacts to that?
- 4.Is it possible for someone to say "No" verbally while their body language is saying "Yes"? Discuss.
- 5.Research shows that most 8th grade boys and girls are virgins. What reasons are there for most 8th graders to avoid sexual intercourse?
- 6. Discuss the 4 point checklist for sexual readiness. Explain why each question is a reasonable test of maturity.