



EXPLORING CONSENT?

You and your best friend are having lunch together. You reach over and take one of your friend's french fries and eat it. Your friend is annoyed and tells you not to do that.

- Did you have consent?
- You think that your friend has a plate full of fries. Does this mean your friend shouldn't be mad?
- Your friend ALWAYS shares her fries with you and you don't understand why she would be upset this time. Does this count as consent?
- Now you know your friend will be upset if you eat her fries in front of her. But while she is getting more napkins, you don't see the harm in sneaking another fry from her plate since she won't know about it. Is this respecting your friend and her right to decide?

NOW IMAGINE...

You and your best friend are having lunch together. A stranger walks by and takes a french fry from your friend's plate and eats it.

- What is different about this scenario? Why is it easier to see that a boundary has been crossed?
- Do you think it is easy to become comfortable with those close to us and forget to respect their boundaries?