



# What signs are there that a *child* is being sexually exploited?

- Regularly going missing from home
- Truancy from school
- Friends with significantly older people
- Being collected from home or school by people you don't know
- Unexplained injuries or bruising
- Unexplained gifts or money
  - Secretive mobile phone use;
  - Sexually transmitted infections;
  - Associating with other young people who are vulnerable or are known to be involved in sexual exploitation
  - Drug or alcohol misuse
  - Evidence of sexual bullying or vulnerability through the internet or social networking
    - Self-harming
    - Suicide attempts
    - Overdosing
    - Eating disorders