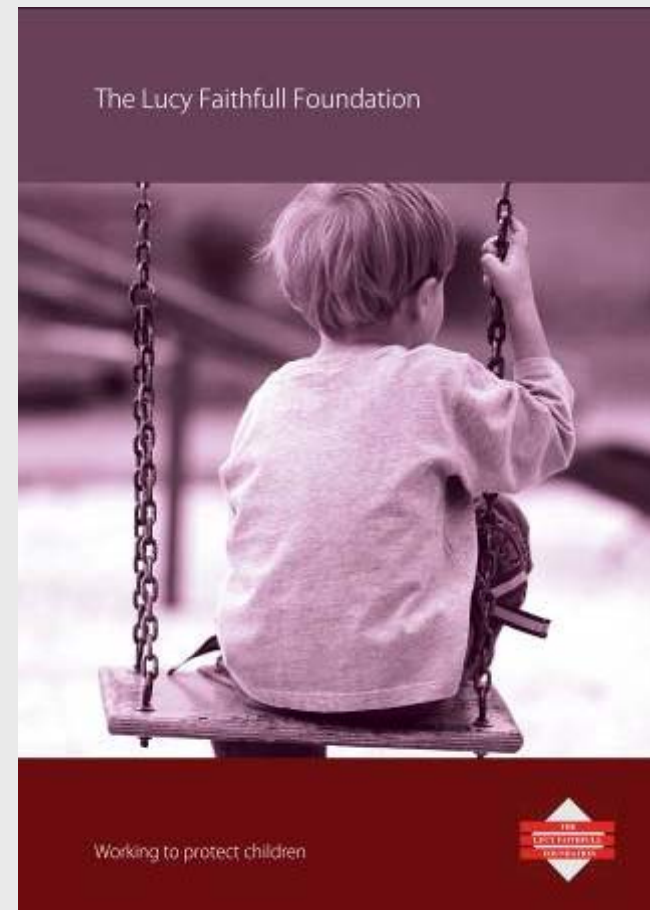




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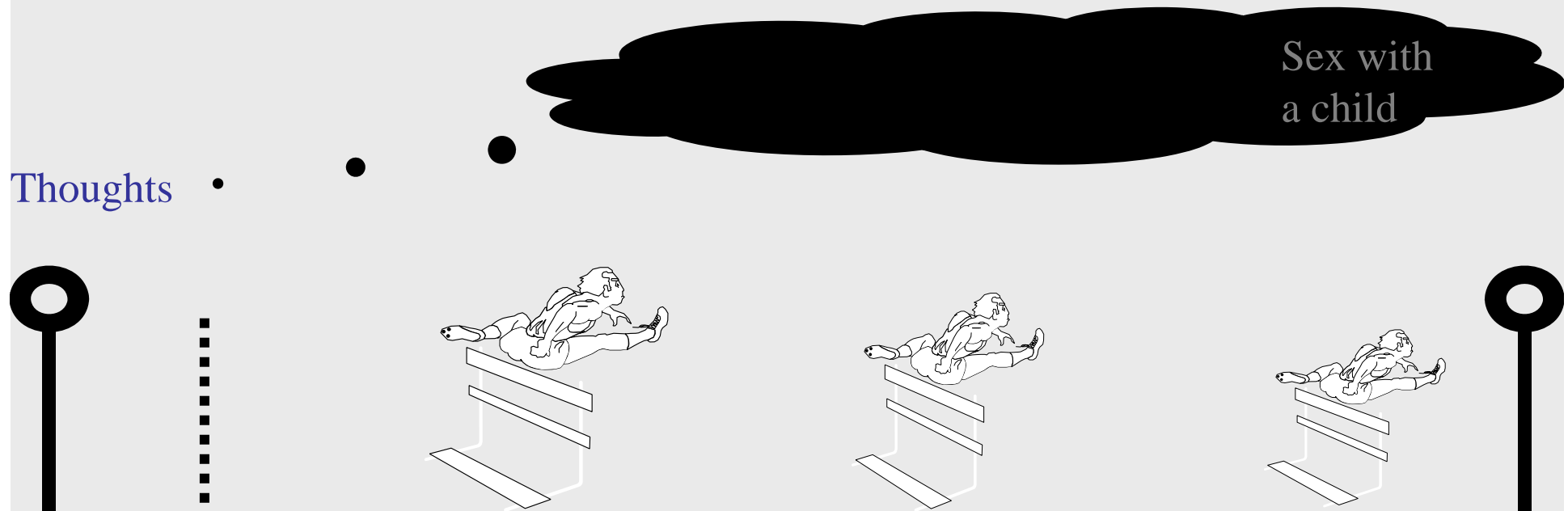
Preventing Child Sexual Abuse by Educating the Public

Working to Protect Children

**Responding only after abuse is
not enough**

Four pre-conditions to child sexual abuse

Adapted from: D Finkelhor Child Sexual Abuse: New Theory & Research 1986



Thoughts

Sex with
a child

MOTIVATION
'Wanting to'

**INTERNAL
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'Conscience'

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'Others'
(Creating
Opportunity)

**OVERCOME
VICTIM
RESISTANCE**
'Doing it and getting
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Comprehensive Prevention model

- Four essential targets
 - **Offenders** / potential offenders
 - **Victims** / potential victims
 - Specific **situations** in which abuse has occurred / is more likely to occur
 - **Communities/Families**
- Three levels of prevention
 - **Primary** prevention
 - **Secondary** prevention
 - **Tertiary** prevention
- Thus, 12 points of focus for prevention efforts (4 essential targets x 3 prevention levels)

Prevention Targets

	Primary prevention	Secondary prevention	Tertiary prevention
Offenders (Potential)			
Victims (Children)			
Families/ Communities			
Situations			



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What do you want them to do?

What do they need to know?



What do they need to know?

Facts about Child Sexual Abuse

- Some 1 in 6 children have been sexually abused by age 17
- 8 out of 10 children know their abusers
- The vast majority of abuse is not reported to the Police
- Most sex offenders stop offending!

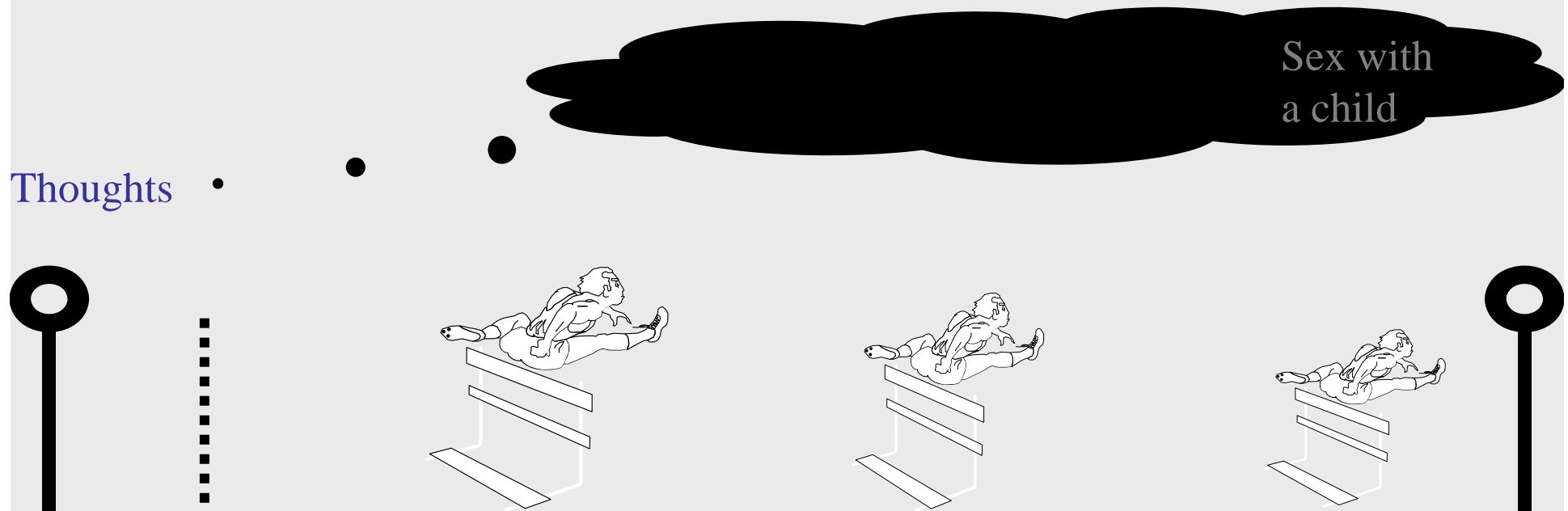
Who are the Abusers?

Adult Males	60 % ?
Adult Females	5-10 % ?
Young people and Children	30 % +

How does it happen?

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Warning signs

Risky situations and prevention

Parents Protect!

Together we can prevent child sexual abuse

For confidential information and advice contact the Stop it Now! helpline on

0808 1000 900



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Everyone has a part to play in preventing child sexual abuse



Welcome

...to Parents Protect, your online information and resources website. Here, we aim to raise your awareness about child sexual abuse, answer any questions you may have and give you the information you need to help to protect children.

Our Aim...

**Recent/current media frenzy
over child pornography
- terminology
-public statements about users
and victims
(every image....)**



Stop it Now! UK and Ireland



The Only UK-wide Campaign and Helpline Dedicated Solely to Tackling
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Stop It Now! Helpline

Principal Target Groups:-

- **Adult abusers and potential abusers:** to encourage them to recognise their behaviour as abusive and seek help to change.
- **Family and friends:** to encourage them to recognise the signs of abusive behaviour in those close to them and to seek advice about what action to take.
- **Parents and carers of young people with worrying sexual behaviour:** to encourage them to recognise signs of abusive behaviour in their children and seek advice about what to do.

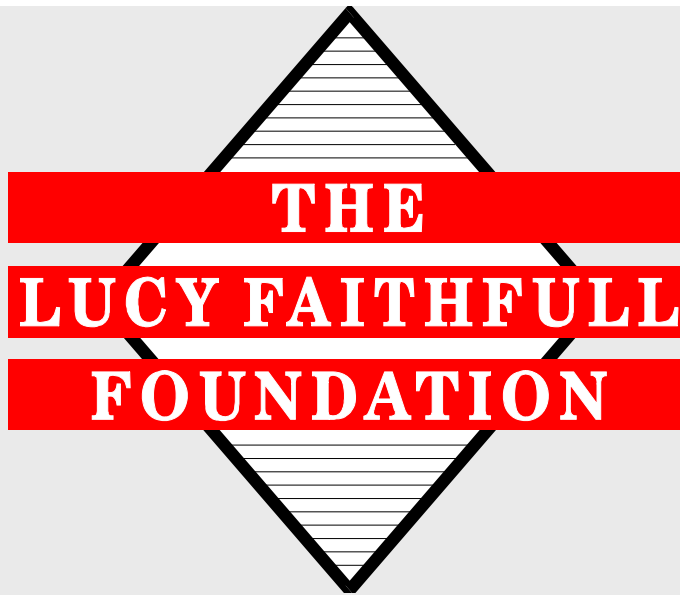
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	Primary prevention	Secondary prevention	Tertiary prevention
Abusers or potential abusers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hedgehogs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stop it Now! Helpline • Stop! Scotland Prison Project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inform + • Circles of Support and Accountability • Securus Monitoring • Stop it Now! Helpline • CROGA
Children and Young People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internet Safety Classes • Hedgehogs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internet Safety classes for at risk groups • Inform YP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IFW therapy
Communities / Families	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents Protect • Internet Safety Seminars (Prim'y) • Stop it Now! Materials • BAMER (Somali) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents Protect + • Stop it Now! Helpline • Inform YP • Internet Safety seminars (Secondary) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inform • Stop it Now! Helpline • IFW Assessment/Int

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	Primary prevention	Secondary prevention	Tertiary prevention
Offenders			
Victims			
Families/Communities			
Situations	Safer Recruitment Code of Practice	Specialist Training	(ISA) Risk Assessments Reviews of institutions

**Child sexual abuse –
preventable, not inevitable!**



Thanks for your attention

Leaflets!

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