

Scenario: Instant Replay

You're home alone and you get a text message from a male friend. It contains an attachment with a sexually explicit photo of his ex-girlfriend. She's posing nude and sexy, like a porn model.

Train of Thought

Wow. This got my attention, that's for sure. But wait. Does she know he's showing these around?... I doubt it. How would she feel if she knew?...Then again, she did pose for the picture...But can't this be used against her in some way, now or in the future?.. What was my friend thinking? He could get in trouble for this. Should I say something to him?.....Come to think of it, if I forward this to anyone else, I might get in trouble.... Do I have a responsibility to her to say something?....If I do, won't my friend be mad at me?...What should I do in this situation?

Options

1. Delete the picture and stay out of it. It's none of my business.
2. Tell my friend to stop. Try to convince him that it's wrong and disrespectful – and might even be against the law – for him to be showing private pictures of his ex-girlfriend like this.
3. Tell my friend's ex that he's been sharing sexually explicit pictures of her to his friends.
4. Identify another friend of ours who might agree with me and together figure out what to do.
5. Ask my parents, a teacher or coach I trust, or another adult whose opinion I value to get advice on what to do.
6. Personal option: