

## Using the Sexual Behaviour Assessment Tool

### Case study 2: James

In your Breakout rooms, read the case study and discuss:

1. ***Where on the continuum will you place this child/YP and what is your rationale for this?***

James is 13, sporty and well-liked at school. He has noticeably entered into adolescence, having gotten a taller over the last year and his voice has gotten deeper.

James was reported to the DSL the first time after getting into trouble in class for talking out loud about sex and telling peers he was getting erections. He has previously been known for making sexual jokes with friends, but often within earshot of others and his teacher has told him off for this before.

When spoken to about his behaviour he was embarrassed and told the DSL that he 'struggled to control' these feelings, he 'thinks about sex all day'. His mum was informed of this and she told school she cannot talk to him about it as 'he is a boy' and she won't know how, and his dad is not around.

Two weeks later a class teacher lodged an incident saying that she had called James to her desk and while standing in front of her she noticed him having an erection and the teacher mentioned that she felt uncomfortable as he was as he was looking at her and then looking down. He was called in again and he told the DSL he did have a 'random erection' and when the teacher called him over, he tried to hide it in his belt but it just 'popped out'. He said he was embarrassed by this and did not know what to do when it happened.

Staff were asked to keep an eye on James and with additional attention it has been mentioned that a girl had told a teacher that James had made her uncomfortable as he would stare at her breasts. A boy also told a staff member that when getting dressed for swimming, James would sometimes make fun of the boys who got dressed in cubicles and one time while in the locker room he 'helicoptered' his penis, causing most of the boys to laugh.

A third incident referred to the DSL occurred after another week where a girl told the teacher that she overheard James talking about having an erection and that he told his friends he wanted her (the girl) to come 'sit on it'. He told the DSL at his third meeting that he did joke about the girl sitting on his lap, and admitted he knew this was not okay.