

If you answer yes to some of these questions or you're in doubt, **talk about it with a member of staff** from your residential care facility who can help you understand whether you are in trouble **and find a solution together.**

if you think that a friend of yours is experiencing one or more of these situations, **talk about it** with him/her and explain to him/her that s/he should speak to an adult that s/he trusts **to find a solution together.**



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**In fact for all these situations there's a solution!
For example, it's important to know that:**

- >> the European law on family reunification in Europe has changed: there are **legal ways for you to move.**
- >> for teenagers reporting situations of exploitation, the Italian law grants a **residence permit that lasts up to 18 months** (even if you are about to turn 18 or if you are already 18).
- >> There are work placement programs and training that can help you **find a "good" job.**
- >> There's a **toll-free number against trafficking 800 290 290** that you can call to ask for information, help and protection.

**ARE YOU SURE
YOU KNOW
EVERYTHING?
TEST YOURSELF**

The situations listed here below were thought up by a group of teenagers like you who labeled them as dangerous because they often occur when a teenager is being exploited or is at risk of it.

Read carefully and tick any situations that you may have experienced in the past or that you're still experiencing today. Think about the risks linked to them, and the necessity of immediately doing something to get

out of dangerous or harmful situations. Teenagers like you want you to know this: if you are aware of having been a victim of exploitation or of being at risk of becoming a victim, you will be able to ask for help to the right people!

It is very important for you to be able to recognize exploitation when you come across it, otherwise you put your life in the hands of someone who won't care about it and who could lead you to a bad end.

Have you ever found yourself in one of the following situations:

- someone asked you or forced you to do something that is not good for you?
- you aren't free to think or decide what is good for you?
- someone convinced you to do something that could lead you to a bad end, like illegal or wrong actions?
- among the people you love and trust, someone you haven't known for long wants to influence you?
- among the people you love and trust, someone who tells lies wants to influence you?
- among the people you love and trust there is someone that beats you?
- you work secretly and/or illegally?
- you don't always have control of your documents when you travel and where you live; you can't have them and ask for them when you need them?
- someone orders you around or forces you to do what he/she needs?
- someone profits from your work much more than you do, or you have to give part or some of your salary to someone?
- you aren't free to decide how to use your time?

- someone took you to a city or a country without asking you if you wanted to go there?
- among the people you know there is someone who doesn't respect your feelings, your rights and your freedom?
- you don't know you have rights that protect you because you're a child worker? You don't know what your rights and responsibilities are in the country you are living in?
- the people who helped you asked you for money, documents or dangerous favours in return?
- you have job where you can't rest, you don't have days off, you work at night and you're so tired that you can't go to school?
- someone forces you to have sex for money?
- someone forces you to beg?

