

BRIAN

Brian is aged 12 years, he has some speech but also uses sign language as his speech is not always clear.

He and his class are going to the cinema on a special outing and some of the parents are going with them to help. Brian is very excited as he goes up the steps onto the bus. He picks a seat by the window and tries to put on his seat belt but cannot manage it. After several attempts one of the helpers, another boy's dad, comes over and offers to help. Brian smiles at the man, but as he clips the belt together he puts his hand down the front of Brian's track suit bottom and touches his penis.

Brian is frightened but can't call out to anyone. He pushes the man's hand away and the man walks back up the bus.

Brian's best friend comes along and sits beside him. Brian feels safe and they start talking about the film they are going to see.

Brian is still upset, he decides that he will keep away from the man and that he will tell his dad when he gets home.

Brian's dad is very angry with the man about what has happened and tells Brian that what the man did was wrong and that he will report the incident to the police/gardai. He praises Brian, says that he was right to tell him and explains that what happened was not Brian's fault. He also tells Brian that he should always talk to him about anything which is worrying or upsetting him.

**SOME POINTS FOR INITIAL DISCUSSION –
OTHERS WILL EMERGE**

How might Brian feel?

Could he have done anything else?

Was it OK for the man to touch Brian's penis?

Is Brian doing the right thing in telling his Dad?

Name the private parts of a boy's/girl's body.

What are the rules about touching/showing private body parts?

Clarify the difference between accidental and deliberate touching of all types, eg pushing, hitting/tripping, touch when playing etc.