



Teacher Reference

Key words: 'Controlling & Coercive' behaviour

The information in this document provides further meaning of the words 'controlling' and 'coercive' as used in the Home Office definition. All other words used will be explored throughout the lesson.

Full definition

**'Any incident or pattern of incidents of:
controlling, coercive or threatening behaviour, violence or abuse,
between those aged 16 or over
who are or have been intimate partners or family members
regardless of gender or sexuality'.**

Controlling behaviour

Definition

'A range of acts designed to make a person subordinate and/or dependent by isolating them from sources of support, exploiting their resources and capacities for personal gain, depriving them of the means needed for independence, resistance and escape and regulating their everyday behaviour'

Key words:

Subordinate: feel of a lower or less important position

Isolating: to keep a person separate from

Exploiting: using for something for an advantage

Capacities: What someone has or is able to do

Resistance: the act of fighting against something that is attacking you, or refusing to accept something

Regulating: controlling something/someone, making it/them work in a particular way

Coercive behaviour

Definition

'An act or a pattern of acts of assault, threats, humiliation and intimidation or other abuse that is used to harm, punish, or frighten their victim'

Key words:

Humiliation: to make someone feel ashamed or lose respect for himself or herself

Intimidation: to frighten or threaten someone, usually in order to persuade that person to do something that you want them to do.