

The Syphilis Story

Background Image: Aboriginal Community

Focus: Campfire, Barbeque with people around it. David is there

Narrative dialog box with pic of David (pop up box):

This is David he is strong and deadly and he lives out bush in a small community. He's an apprentice who has to go to the city to do a 3 month training course, and it just happens that this is at the same time as the footie finals are on.

His cousins Aaron and Patrick are going with him and they are all going to stay at Aunty Mary's house

The community give the three young fellas a send-off party with singing and dancing and a big Barbeque. Everyone is there to wish them a happy and safe trip.

Just before they leave David's uncle who is a respected elder takes him aside for a yarn.

Dialog box with pic of Uncle (pop up box):

Uncle reminds David that when he is away from the community to remember to have respect for himself and others, stay strong with his culture and to look out for his cousins. Choices available:

1. David promises he will do all of these things.

(SCREEN FADES OUT)

Background Image: Town

Focus: Aunty Mary's house, party with people around, David and Grace among them

Narrative dialog box without pics appears (pop up box):

Aunty Mary throws a party for the young fellas and invites the rest of the family; cousin Shakira brings along three of her girlfriends.

Dialog box with pic of Grace (pop up box) used for dialog:

Grace: hey my name is Grace, where you mob from?

David: Hi Grace, I'm David and these are my cousins Aaron

and Patrick, we're from out bush, I'm here to do some training but also to go to the footie

Grace: True! We're going to the finals too; I go for the blues how about you?

David: Yeah, go the blues!

David: Hey Grace I think we got a connection going on here, wanna go somewhere quieter and get to know one another?

Grace: Mmm Okay, you seem nice and seeing as you're Shakira's cousin, we can go to my house its only 3 streets away, let's go.

ARTWORK

Background 1:

Community

Small images

1. Party with many people
2. Uncle (portrait)
3. David (portrait)

ARTWORK

Background 2:

Town

Small images

4. Party many people at Aunty Mary's house
5. Aunty Mary (portrait)
3. David (portrait)
6. Grace (portrait)
7. David & Grace in Grace's bedroom

Focus: Grace's house. **David and Grace there, bedroom**

Grace: I like you, let's get down to business.

1. **David: *Put on a condom* Sure, let me just grab a condom from my wallet, just in case, got them from the clinic at home**
2. **David: Sure *don't use condom***

(SCREEN FADES OUT)

Background Image: Forest

Focus: Camping trip, group of people, David and Shahni among them

Narrative dialog box without pics appears (pop up box):

Four weeks later David goes camping with Patrick, Aaron, Aunty Mary, Shakira and her friend Shahni
Everyone else has gone to bed except Shahni and David who are sitting around the fire

Dialog box with pic of Shahni (pop up box) used for dialog:

David: Hey Shahni you real good at catching fish, you wanna catch some loving up with me?

Shahni: Okay, you got any condoms?

1. **David: Nah, forgot to take them on trip**
2. **David: Nah, we'll be right, you can trust me**

Shahni: That is fine, this moon is making me feel real nice. David come on them come to my tent but be quiet so Aunty Mary doesn't hear

1. **David: Lets go *have sex with Shahni***
2. **David: I don't think we should do it. Let's catch up next time**

(SCREEN FADES OUT)

Background Image: Town

Focus: TAFE party, David and Roxy among them

Narrative dialog box without pics appears (pop up box):

David goes to a party at the TAFE, its nearly time to go back home

David meets Roxy another apprentice who is doing her training

Dialog box with pic of Roxy (pop up box) used for dialog:

David: Hey Roxy how ya finding the training?

Roxy: Pretty good, some of it's a bit boring but ya get that

David: So what you doing after the party, wanna come back to my place I'm at my Aunties but I sleep in the shed it's nice and private

ARTWORK

Background 3:

Camping place

Small images

8. Many people in camp site
5. Aunty Mary (portrait)
3. David (portrait)
9. Shahni (portrait)
10. David & Shahni alone (e.g. the concept drawing)

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Background 2:

Town (same as in Aunty Mary's)

Small images

11. Many people in TAFE party
3. David (portrait)
12. Roxy (portrait)
13. David & Roxy alone in Aunty Mary's shed

Roxy: Oh yeah

Focus: Aunty Mary's house, bedroom, David and Roxy

Roxy: So you got anyone back home

David Nah me and my missus broke up months back

Roxy *smile* goes in for a kiss

Roxy: Hey you got any rubbers, you know condoms?

1. **David: *Put on a condom* Sure, I recently took one in a local clinic**
2. **David: Come on, I can't feel anything in rubber! You can trust me! *goes for a kiss***

Dialog box with pic of Aunty Mary (pop up box) used for dialog:

As Roxy is leaving Aunty Mary sees her.

Aunty Mary: Hope you been safe because that Syphilis is getting around you know

Roxy starts to think about what Syphilis is and whether she should get a test

David walks inside and his Aunty revs him about needing to go and get a check up

1. **David: Yes, I think I should check up. Could you drop me off at the clinic?**
2. **David: I'm fine. Don't bother me with this!**

Alt if all good:

3. **David: It's all good. I was careful and did the right thing**

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Background 2:

Town: Aunty Mary's house

Small images

Roxy leaving

14. Aunty Mary & David

Final pop-up screen

If condom used every time (or no sexual activity took place)

Health messages about:

- using condoms every time
- Testing if multiple partners or new relationship

Final pop-up screen

If condom not used once or more:

Health messages about:

- unwanted pregnancy
- Contracting and transmitting STIs (Syphilis)
- Treatment of syphilis
- Importance of testing if multiple partners or new relationship
- Symptom free infections?

Example artwork below. Backgrounds and all other artworks can be done on separate pieces of paper. Backgrounds can be A3, while other artworks can be A4 except for portraits – portraits should be square, preferably head and shoulders picture just like on passport/driver licence.

