8. **Pedophiles**: individuals who are sexually attracted to children aged from infants to pre-pubescence. Pedophiles who fantasize are not criminals. They become criminals when they access child pornography (collect, pay for, produce) or rape or molest a child.

9. **Single mothers**: the child molester’s target for romance. The romance however is the gate-way to her children. They will charm their way into a woman’s life as her best friend, companion, soul-mate to earn her trust to access her children. She may never know that her children have been molested until he is long gone.

10. **Sexual contact** between an adult and a child (rape, molestation) ranks alongside murder and adult rape as an ultimate crime.

11. **Are pedophiles, child molesters homosexual?**
Answer: No. Research clearly shows that most pass as heterosexual. Many are married; have children. Child molestation is about more than sex; it’s about control, power over the children. The proof of this is in the answer to this question. Do we refer to a man who rapes a nine year old girl as a heterosexual? No. He is referred to as a child abuser.

12. **Defense against child sexual abuse**: we have an inherent protective instinct for sensing danger to ourselves and our children. Our children have it too. Listen to it. Act on that instinct and counter the strong denial that someone close to you could be abusing your children. If you suspect it ask your child gently about your suspicions; give them an opportunity to explain in a language they understand. Children don’t know what abuse is. Child sexual abusers are liars who plan for contingencies with excuses and justification; be prepared for that. Know where your child is and who they are with. Don’t let other adults or adolescents have unaccompanied access to your child. Learn all you can about child abuse and discuss it with your family, at school, with your friends. Act if you suspect abuse to your own child or another parent’s child; call the police, report your suspicions to the authorities, protect the child. You may be saving a life.

13. **Consequences of child sexual abuse**: depression, anxiety, fear, disassociation, suicide, broken relationships, inability to have a relationship, anger, resentment, eating disorders, self-mutilation. Being abused as a child does not mean the child will themselves abuse children.

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1. There are two (2) types of physical child sexual abuse:
   - Rape (Intercourse)
   - Molestation (Everything else)

2. There are three (3) types of sexual offenses against children:
   - a. Rape
   - b. Molestation
   - c. Possession or production of child pornography

3. There are two (2) types of child sex offenders who rape and molest children:

4. There are two (2) types of pedophile:
   - a. Individuals who want to have sex with prepubescent children – fantasy only (non-offending).
   - b. Individuals who want to have sex with prepubescent children and carry out their fantasies through:
     - rape of children
     - molestation of children
     - possession or production of child pornography

QUICK STATS:
- 25% (1 in 4) of girls, 15% (1 in 6) of boys are sexually abused as children.
- Most sexual abuse offenders (90%) are acquainted with their victims: (40% are relatives of the child, 50% are friends of the family, 10% are strangers).
- The median age for reported abuse is 9 years old.
- Average serial child molester may have 400 or more victims in their lifetime.
- Sexual abuse occurs in urban, suburban and rural areas and among all ethnic, racial and socioeconomic groups, including yours.

4. Seduction, rape, molestation in your own home: 90% of child sexual abuse is carried out by someone the child knows – it’s not the stranger in the park – it’s the people you have in your home. Abusers are fathers, mothers, brothers, uncles, cousins, family friends, tutors, music teachers, the babysitter. Authority figures – sports coaches, clergy, doctors, therapists. The predator chooses the profession to access children. Children have no way to describe what is happening to them and are kept in the relationship through trust, love, fear, and shame. Parent denial that abuse is happening is a common flaw abusers use to their advantage.

2. Child sexual abuse: a criminal offense that includes child rape, molestation, and child pornography.

3. Rape: non-consensual, forced sex – vaginal or anal intercourse. A child can never consent – any activity involving sexual intercourse with a child is rape. Child abusers rape children as young as months old (babies) to pre-pubescence. Also referred to as ‘sex with a child, sexual relations with a child, buggery, sodomy.’

4. Molestation: (def: to accost or attack, especially with the intention of assaulting sexually) To touch a child in a sexual way. Child molesters are adolescents or adults who use children for sexual purposes. Specifically: molestation is every other sexual activity imaginable aside from intercourse including oral sex, digital penetration of the vagina or anus, masturbation of the child by the perpetrator or of the perpetrator by the child, ejaculating on the child, forcing a child to swallow...

5. Child pornography: the recording of explicit images of a child; boy or girl months old to the age of 17. Images of the child’s genitalia, anus, of the child being raped vaginally or anally, the child providing oral sex, masturbating the perpetrator(s), being aroused by the perpetrator, having fingers or foreign objects inserted into their vagina or anus, being ejaculated or peed upon, forced to eat feces, violently handled, beaten, bondage – the child tied up, gagged, tortured, sometimes killed (snuff) — referred to as ‘child porn, kidde porn.’ Finding child pornography is a strong indication that the police are on to a child sex offender. Possession, paying for viewing and production of child pornography are criminal offenses.

6. Child sex offenders: there are two types. 
   - a. Preferential offenders are pedophiles who are solely interested in raping or molesting a child. They will go to any means necessary to access children including marrying a woman to get to her children or getting married to have their own children to molest. They are predators.
   - b. Situational offenders are child rapists or molesters of opportunity. They assault a child ‘just because’ – it seemed like a good idea, they were angry at a parent, they were intoxicated and felt like it while alone with the child. They don’t need a reason. Children are not their sexual preference; they prefer adults.

7. Child sex offender traits: narcissistic – entitled – psychopathic mindset. Fluent liars. Lacks conscience. No empathy for victim. Little fear of consequences. Compulsive. Obsessive. Charming. Socially adept within their chosen group. Choose careers that provide access to children. Despite their seemingly gentle demeanor they are aggressive predators whose goal is the rape and molestation of children. They look like anyone else you will meet today, friend, family or co-worker.