



Information for Juvenile Detention Officers

Every year, thousands of American children are forced into sexual slavery.
You might be the only person to ever suspect the child is a victim.

What to Look for

- Truancy; repeat runaway
- Malnourished
- Talks about an older boyfriend
- Inappropriate clothing; hair weaves or wigs
- Detailed, bizarre story or scripted but inconsistent story
- Branding, tattoos or carvings
- Signs of recruiting other girls
- Travels to other cities frequently
- Varied stages of bruising or wounds from a clothes hanger
- Burns or scars
- Uses sex industry terminology
- Possessing condoms, large amount of cash, motel keys

Questions to Ask Juveniles

- 'I like that tattoo. Where did you get it?'
- 'Do you have a nickname?'
- 'How old is your boyfriend?'
- 'Who were you with when you were arrested?'
- 'How long have you lived in the area?'
- 'How do you take care of yourself when you run away?'
- 'What other places have you visited?'
- 'What do you do when you don't go to school?'
- 'Why do you continue to run away?'

