

# Use the traffic lights

Traffic lights remind us about rules on the road, and they can help us to learn about OK and not-OK touching.

- **Red** - means 'STOP!'
- **Orange** - means 'be aware'
- **Green** - means 'safe, OK'



**TALK** AND **STAY**  
**PLAY** **SAFE** **OK!**

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- **GREEN (kakariki)**  
**means safe, OK**

Sexual behaviours that are age appropriate, mutual and have a sense of innocence and curiosity. These instances provide opportunities to talk with your child about safe playing

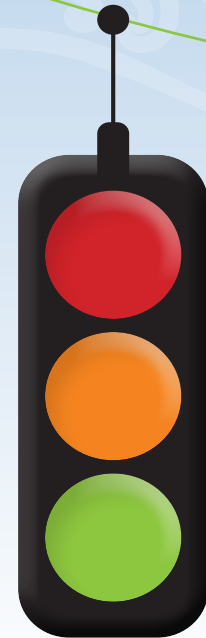
- **ORANGE (karaka)**  
**means be aware**

Sexual behaviours might be beyond a child's years and not be mutual. Time to intervene and stop the behaviour with a safe adult response

- **RED (whero)**  
**means STOP**

Sexual behaviours that involve not-OK touching, is not mutual and might be harmful, secretive or coercive. Time to take action, stop the behaviour and seek professional support

- It can be hard to talk about sexualised behavior but it is good for children to talk with adults in their life who they trust and feel safe with
- Safe adults can help kids understand what is healthy, safe and respectful touching



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