

CHRIS

Chris is aged 15 years and lives with his mum and dad and two younger sisters aged 5 years and 9 years.

His parents are going out to the cinema and a lady called Cathy, who is aged 25 years, is coming to stay with the family. Chris knows Cathy well, as she often comes to stay when his parents go out and he is very fond of her.

As a special treat, Chris is allowed to stay up late and he and Cathy are watching a film on the television. When the man and woman are kissing, Cathy turns to Chris and kisses him on the mouth. She then takes his hand and puts it on top of her breast. Chris is very mixed up, he likes Cathy but doesn't want to kiss her like a boyfriend or touch her private parts. Chris tells Cathy he doesn't want to do this and he decides to go to bed.

Next morning, when his Mum asks him if he enjoyed the film he gets upset and tells her what happened. His Mum is very angry with Cathy and says that she will never be asked to baby-sit again. She tells Chris that he was right to tell her and that what happened was not his fault.

Chris' mother rings Cathy and tells her that Chris has told her what happened. She tells Cathy that she never wants her to babysit again and that what she did to Chris was wrong.

SOME INITIAL POINTS FOR DISCUSSION -
OTHERS WILL EMERGE

What other feelings might Chris have?

Could he have done anything else?

Was he right to tell?

Was Chris in trouble?

Did Cathy do wrong?