

Finish lesson by asking a volunteer to read out the following to the whole class:



**This is a message from the film Character Kelly – Age 16**

“Whatever is going on at home, think twice before leaving! I know now that it wasn’t a good idea to leave home on the spur of the moment. I was emotionally upset and felt isolated and abandoned when another one of my mum’s new partners arrived on the scene. Leaving home for emotional love and before I was properly prepared to cope put me in real danger. I thought that by leaving home to stay with Ryan all my problems would be over, but they actually got worse. I felt confused, scared, lonely, frustrated, used and abused. On reflection I can honestly say that I wished that I had listened to Yaz and talked with my mum about how I was feeling in order work out our differences together. It has always been me and mum and I love her very much despite all our problems. I am much more focused now and have bounced back from my hurts and disappointments. I am attending full-time college now to gain the qualifications I need to pursue my long-term goal to become a qualified architect.”