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| sexual assault | any unwanted sexual advance; ' <u>no</u> ' means ' <u>no</u> ' (see rape) |
| sexuality | sexual identity |
| soldier cells | see immune system and blood |
| sperm | makes a woman pregnant and is contained in semen |
| spermicide | chemical jelly or lubricant which kills sperm (see semen) |
| STDs/STIs | Sexually Transmitted Diseases/Infections; illnesses passed during sex |
| stereotype | false generalisation about an individual or a group without basis in reality or fact: 'she cannot drive, she's a woman' or 'all men are arrogant and stupid' |
| testicles | male sex organs where sperm are produced and stored |
| transmission | how something gets from one place to another. HIV is transmitted by blood to blood contact between people. HIV is usually transmitted through heterosexual sex without a condom , but also through other types of sex , especially anal sex . Non-sexual methods of transmission include from mother to child through the womb , birth, or breast milk; and by sharing contaminated syringes, needles, and tattoo or piercing pins. |
| transsexual | someone who has changed their sex organs through surgery |
| transvestite | someone who assumes the appearances and characteristics of the opposite sex ; someone whose gender and sex do not match |
| UN | United Nations; the international organisation responsible for global and international law, human rights, resolution of conflict, disaster relief, and the promotion of peace, justice and international security |
| UNAIDS | United Nations AIDS agency responsible for HIV/AIDS relief |
| urethra | canal through which urine is excreted in both men and women; men also discharge semen through the urethra |
| urine | liquid waste excreted by the body; the kidneys clean the blood of waste that is urine |
| USAID | United States Agency for International Development |
| uterus/womb | female sex organ where the fertilised egg is deposited and develops into a baby |
| vagina | internal female sex organ, connecting the vaginal opening to the uterus (also known as the vaginal tract) |
| vaginal opening | opening to the vagina , the exterior lips or labia |
| vas deferens | male tube carrying sperm from the testicles to the seminal duct |
| virus | organism which needs a host to survive and multiply |
| vulva | external collection of female sex organs, including the clitoris , lips and vaginal opening |
| WHO | World Health Organization, international health body |
| World AIDS Day | 1 st December; a day when everyone remembers how HIV/AIDS affects us all. |