Remember your role is to recognise and report concerns about abuse but not to investigate

Guidance for managing disclosures of Sexual Abuse

Leading Questions:

* Try to avoid closed questions as these can often be leading
* Don’t ask why – if a young person has suffered abuse – there is unlikely to be a reason. ‘Why’ can imply guilt/responsibility on the young person.
* What, when, who questions might be needed for clarity

**TED**

Think about asking open questions with the help of the acronym

**T**ell

 Can you tell me a little bit more?

**E**xplain

 Can you explain to me what happened?

**D**escribe

 Can you describe to me what happened?