

## **Minnesota Sexuality Education Resource Review Panel**

### **Summary of Panel Review**

#### ***The Monster* (2002)**

Video (11 minutes)

Target audience: Ages 12-22

Cost: \$25.00

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**The Minnesota Sexuality Education Resource Review Panel **Recommends** the use of this video for the following reasons and with the following reservations:**

“The Monster” is a video written and acted by teens as part of the series, ScenariosUSA. “The Monster” deals with HIV - the impact on relationships and discrimination against those infected with it. It offers a look into the life of three African American, urban teen boys and examines peer pressure, stereotypes surrounding HIV, and misconceptions and judgements regarding people infected with HIV.

The panel felt that the strength of the video lies in the strong messages it presents, as well as in the style and format of the film. They felt the video would fully engage a teen audience and stimulate much discussion and debate.

ScenariosUSA is in the process of developing a study guide to accompany the video. The panel stated that such a tool would be helpful to a teacher/facilitator to increase the effectiveness of the video.

**Review Criteria**

	<b>Mean Score</b>
1. Technically accurate and up-to-date	3.6
2. Gender Fair	3.1
3. Sexuality Positive	3.6
4. Developmentally appropriate for age	4.2
5. Racially, ethnically, culturally non-biased	4.1
6. Sound educational methodology	3.7
7. Educational messages/strategies provided for learners at all points of risk continuum	3.9
8. Addresses the needs of all learners, including those with physical, cognitive or emotional disabilities.	2.6
9. Teacher-friendly	3.6

Scoring is based on a 5 point Likert scale, from poor (1) to excellent (5). The mean (average) is based on the assessments of the panel members who were present to review the material 12/05/02.

**Panel Recommendations for Appropriate Audiences**

<b>Assessment Criteria</b>			
<b>Overall Recommendation</b>	<b>Recommend highly</b> 4	<b>Recommend</b> 10	<b>Reject</b> 0
<b>Audience</b> For what audience is this resource appropriate?	<b>Audience targeted by the resource</b> 10	<b>Other audience(s)</b> 6	<b>Not Appropriate for any audience</b> 0
<b>Facilitation Skills Required</b> How knowledgeable and skilled must the facilitator be to use this resource effectively?	<b>Requires leader with strong content knowledge and group skills</b> 7	<b>Requires leader with moderate content knowledge and group skills</b> 6	<b>Requires leader with little content knowledge and group skills</b> 1
<b>Multicultural Perspective</b> Does this resource address the needs of communities of color; and/or issues of sexual orientation, gender, and disability	<b>Resource is culturally specific.</b> 12	<b>Resource is Multicultural/ Inclusive</b> 4	<b>Resource does not address the needs/issues of diverse populations</b> 0