## Talking about suicide increases the chances a person will act on their thoughts.

Speaking openly decreases the likelihood of the person acting on their thoughts.



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# You can't ask someone if they're suicidal.

Asking someone if they're suicidal could **protect them.** 

It can give them permission to tell you how they feel and lets them know they **are not a burden**.



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Suicide is preventable but can be unpredictable. It is complex and it's rare one single cause can be identified.



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## Talking about suicide is a bad idea as it may give someone the idea to try it.

Asking someone directly about suicide, gives them permission to share how they feel.



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1 in 5 people will have thoughts about suicide at some point in their lives.

# lt's ok to talk about it.



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