

### Exercise: Online vs. Offline Affection Map

This exercise helps clarify how affection is expressed and received in digital spaces versus face-to-face. It offers a way to explore emotional impact and identify any gaps between intent and experience. Fill in each column with examples from your relationship. You can use the examples provided or add your own. Reflect on which connection type feels more emotionally satisfying, and why?

Type of Affection	Digital Example	In-Person Example
Words of affirmation	e.g., “I miss you” text	“I love you” in a soft tone
Physical affection	emoji kiss or heart	actual hug or kiss
Attention cues	sending a meme or GIF	making eye contact
Flirting or playfulness	cheeky message or selfie	teasing or playful glance

#### Reflection:

- Looking at both columns, which type of affection feels more emotionally satisfying to you? Why? (*Does one feel more vulnerable, connecting, or authentic?*)

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- Are there moments where you’ve wanted affection in person but received it digitally instead (or vice versa)? What was that like for you?

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- Is there one type of affection you’d like to increase in either digital or in-person settings? (*Be specific: words, touch, attention, flirtation?*)

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