Since 1995, SexTalk has been answering questions from UA students. Here are some of the persistent (and sometimes humorous) myths that we often hear:

**MYTH:** Mountain Dew shrinks your testicles and lowers sperm count.
**FACT:** Good news: No. Bad news: Mountain Dew is not the new male contraceptive.

**MYTH:** ASU has its very own STD. Is that true?
**FACT:** Wildcats get the same sexually transmitted infections that afflict Sun Devils. The top 3 at UA are chlamydia, herpes, and HPV.

**MYTH:** You can’t get pregnant the first time you have sex.
**FACT:** First time, tenth time, 100th time – it doesn’t matter. Young adults and teens are at their peak fertility.

**MYTH:** Peeing after sex keeps you from getting an STD.
**FACT:** Sorry, urine won’t prevent herpes, gonorrhea, HIV, or other STDs. Peeing after sex might help avoid a urinary tract infection, so it IS a good idea to take a trip to the bathroom after doing the “mattress mambo.”

**MYTH:** Women are most often sexually assaulted by strangers.
**FACT:** Women are more likely to be sexually assaulted by someone they know — someone who has already been identified as safe and non-threatening. In college, acquaintance rape accounts for about 90% of completed and attempted sexual assaults.

**MYTH:** Women can’t get pregnant when they are “on top,” right?
**FACT:** Fertile females get pregnant in all kinds of positions (read the Kama Sutra for ideas).