The mortality rate for women who get an abortion is actually 0.001%. In real life, the mortality rate is actually 0.001%, which is a 10,000x increase in mortality (onscreen vs. reality). This results in abortion seeming much more dangerous than it is in real life.

Characters represented on TV are, in general, whiter, younger, and wealthier than their real-life counterparts. Underrepresenting Black and Latina characters considering abortion on TV can contribute to stigma in communities of color.

Characters who were already parents were dramatically underrepresented among characters choosing abortion. Women who get abortions in the US already parenting. On television, only 15% of women getting abortions were parents.

Unlike on TV, women who have abortions and women who parent are not separate groups.

Depictions in film & television don’t represent real life experiences.