

The Cyberbully 1: *The Winners*

Listening



Name: _____

Listen and answer the questions.



1. What is a bully?
 - a. a person who other people make fun of
 - b. a person who is good at science and math
 - c. a person who teases smaller or weaker people
2. Why did Natalia feel safe enough to answer Vince?
 - a. She knew Vince was just making a joke.
 - b. She had other friends and adults nearby.
 - c. She was bigger and stronger than Vince.
3. How should you NOT respond to a bully?
 - a. By fighting back.
 - b. By calmly asking the person to stop.
 - c. By making a joke out of the situation.
4. Should you walk away if you see someone else being bullied?
 - a. yes
 - b. no
 - c. The speaker doesn't say.

to tease = to criticize or irritate a person or laugh at them because you are joking or want to upset them

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Reading

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Read and answer the questions.

A Different Kind of Bullying

What do you think of when you picture a bully? Perhaps the bully takes another student's lunch money. He or she might call someone a name or tease someone in a mean way. In all of these scenarios, bullies harm people directly, face-to-face. This kind of bullying is easy to notice.



But another kind of bullying is more difficult to identify. A bully might leave one person out of a game on purpose. He or she might tell other people not to be friends with someone. Bullies might also spread rumors about a person to make others believe untrue things about him or her. This kind of bullying is indirect. It can harm someone even when he or she is not in the room. You may not think of these actions as bullying, but they can do just as much harm as bullying face-to-face.

1. Which is an example of direct bullying?
 - a. helping someone
 - b. teasing someone in a mean way
 - c. telling people not to be friends with someone
2. Which is an example of indirect bullying?
 - a. leaving someone out
 - b. calling someone a name
 - c. asking someone to do something
3. What are rumors?
 - a. ways to help
 - b. untrue stories
 - c. calling someone names
4. Why is indirect bullying harder to identify?
 - a. It is not very harmful to other people.
 - b. The bully is harming someone face-to-face.
 - c. The bullied person might not be in the room.

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Writing

Name: _____

Read the letter to the advice columnist. Then write a one-paragraph reply. Give advice about the best way to respond to bullying.

DAILY NEWS

Ask Anastasia

by Anastasia Smith



Dear Anastasia,

I think I'm being bullied, and I'm not sure what to do. Last week, I was standing in line in the cafeteria. One of the boys in our class came up to me. His name is Carl. He's bigger and stronger than I am. He pushed me, and then he said that he should get my place in line. I didn't want to start a fight, so I just walked away and went to the back of the line. But then it happened again the next day! What can I do?

Sincerely,
Nervous in Line

Dear Nervous in Line,

Sincerely,
Anastasia

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Speaking

Name: _____

This team has just won a trophy. What do you want to know?

You can ask about the game, the players, the trophy...

Ask three questions about the picture.



Now do a roleplay. Ask a classmate your questions. He / She answers.

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Teacher's Guide

Listening Audio Script

NATALIA: Just like Victoria said, a bully is a person who is cruel to smaller or weaker people. I stood up to Vince because he was bullying my friends and me. Here are some ways you can respond if you are bullied.

First, ask yourself if the situation seems safe. For example, I was in a group of students with adults nearby. It was safe because there were a lot of people who could help me if I needed it.

If the situation seems safe, try looking at the person and calmly asking him or her to stop. Sometimes you can even try making a joke. I joked that I could squash Vince with my little finger, and everyone laughed.

If these options don't stop the bullying or you don't feel safe, simply walk away. Find an adult who can help. You should never fight back against a bully, but it's important to speak up to let everyone know that bullying is not okay.

Listening Answer Key

1. c
2. b
3. a
4. c

Reading Answer Key

1. b
2. a
3. b
4. c

Writing Answer Key

Responses will vary but should be at least one paragraph long and should give advice clearly related to the letter provided.

Speaking Answer Key

Example of correct questions:

- What sport were they playing?
- What was the final score of the game?
- What is the trophy made of?
- How many players are on the team?
- How do the players feel?