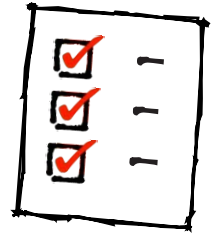


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Day Two

Bullying: A Real Problem

Part 1: Tricky phrases and words



→ Read these phrases and words **out loud** to your partner.

- The bullying even became physical
- is mean or aggressive behavior
- When bullies are teasing or hurting a victim
- School anti-bullying programs
- They give an overview of what bullying looks like
- A bystander can undercut a bully

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Decoding practice:

Circle the two base words in the compounds below. The first one is done for you.

someone

hallway

teenage

bystanders

overview

undercut



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Part 2: Last read

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In fifth grade, Mike had plenty of friends. But when he entered middle school, the trouble started. Other kids began to bully him. They spread rumors about Mike.

When he walked down the hallway, students shot rubber bands at him. “The message was just go away,” he said. “Don’t even try to talk to us.” Mike didn’t know why he became a target. The bullying even became physical. Kids pushed him in the lunch line.

Mike is one of thousands of students who get bullied each day. Bullying is mean or aggressive behavior that gets repeated. Bullying reaches a peak in the teenage years. Some students bully to feel powerful. Others bully to be part of a group. Sometimes bullies are put down or abused at home. They may use bullying to feel more confident.

When bullies are teasing or hurting a victim, there often are bystanders. They may be laughing or watching silently. Some bystanders feel power when someone else gets hurt. Or perhaps they are afraid. After all, if you stick up for the victim, you may become a target yourself.

School anti-bullying programs try to help students understand bullies. They give an overview of what bullying looks like and how it can be stopped. Bystanders can be important in stopping bullying. A bystander can undercut a bully by refusing to laugh or watch. “The community can take away the bully’s power,” one teacher says.

Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

Have you ever seen a student bully another student? How did you respond?

Ask your partner about a time when bullying happened. What did your partner say or do? _____