

THINK?

I didn't like what that person said about my favorite TV show.!

That's mean teasing!

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People are so mean to me. This means I will never have any friends



THINK?

That person called me a "loser." Everybody thinks I'm a loser!

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A mean kid hit me in that playground last year.
I'm never going back there.



THINK?

Here is why people are mean to me. I'm different. I'm dumb. I don't know the answers in class.

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Some day, I'll get a chance to get back at them. Then they'll be sorry!



What to THINK?

I hear kids laughing again.
I am sure they are laughing at ME again!

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If I am mean to someone, that is just because other people have been mean to ME first.



THINK?

I'll go and hit one of the mean kids. Then they'll stop bothering me.

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Here is what I learned from getting teased: Don't trust kids your own age.



THINK?

I'd better spend a lot more time by myself. That way, people won't be so mean to me.

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THINK?

When I'm grown up, people will still be mean.
Just like they are now.



While watching the soccer game, Kayla suddenly gets hit in the head with a soccer ball. One kid laughs. Another one says, "Kayla! Are you okay?"

# What should Kayla do?

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While Jason is walking down the hall, a boy Jason has never met walks up to Jason. The boy says, "Dude, why does your hair look so nasty?"

### What should Jason do?



DO3

Daniel does not like nicknames. He listens while boys in the lunchroom laugh and give each other dog names, like "Pete the Poodle" and "Bill the Beagle." Suddenly, a boy turns to Daniel and says, "Look! It's Daniel the Spaniel!"

#### What should Daniel do?

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**DO**?

In the girls' restroom, some girls start looking through Olivia's purse while she is going to the bathroom. One of the girls holds up Olivia's picture of Justin Bieber, and says, "Look! Olivia's in love!"

# What should Olivia do?



Jeremy really hates to be touched. At his summer day camp, some kids start playing tag. One runs up to Jeremy and tags him on the shoulder., saying, "Jeremy! You're IT!"

# What should Jeremy do?

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A girl two grades older walks up to Alice and says, "I'm going to beat you up when you're walking home from school today. It's after you leave the school property, so no one can help you!"

# What should Alice do?



DO?

The lunch line is really long.
Peter has to hurry eating so much the he ends up getting lots of spaghetti sauce on his white shirt.
When kids make fun him of him later, he tries to ignore them and walk away, but then other kids start teasing him.

#### What should Peter do?

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Alex has trouble keeping up when the gym teacher makes them run long distances outside. For three weeks, other boys have been calling him "Alex the Turtle" because he is slow. Alex told the gym teacher, but she just says to ignore it.

# What should Alex do?



Jeffrey is 11 and his brother, Alan, is 9. Even thought Alan is younger, Alan beats Jeffrey at every video game. Jeffrey tells Alan, "It's MY turn to win a video game!" Alan says, "Shut up, you big baby."

# What should Jeffrey do?

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Beth Brinker has been getting rude messages on her Facebook. Kids are calling her "Beth Stinker" and they are saying she doesn't shower very often.

What should Beth do?



DO3

During lunch, some kids notice that Brandon has a hole in the back of his sweat pants. They start telling all the other kids and soon lots of kids are laughing at Brandon. He tells them to stop but they don't.

# What should Brandon do?

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Debbie usually gets teased by kids, but today seems different. Some kids have told her that Frank, a very handsome boy, likes her and wants to go out with her! After school, someone lends her a cell phone, and says, "Here! You can call him now!

What should Debbie do?



The adult will pretend to be a kid who is being teased because kids think her voice sounds weird. Make sure you help the kid understand ignoring, walking away, and telling kids to stop.



Ask the adult playing this game to make up a friendly nickname that he or she can call you.

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If you are being teased and bullied at school, who are three adults you can get help from?

If you are **not** at school and you get bullied, who can help you?

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# True or False:

If **YOU** are mean to someone, that means that **YOU** are a bully.

Explain your answer.



The adult with you will pretend to be a kid who has been badly teased for being a slow runner. Your job is to help this "kid" by using these words:

"What happened?"
"You must feel awful?"
"I'm sorry."
"Need any help?"

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The adult is going to demonstrate two possible ways to deal with someone being mean. Pretend you are a bully and the adult is a kid. Call the adult "Loser." The adult will demonstrate: 1. Ignoring, and 2. Walking away



One way to make nicknames is use the first letter of your name, like "Jolly Joe" or "Silly Sam."

Just for fun, ask each person here to create a nickname for themselves this way.

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YOU?

Ask each person in the room to practice the right way to look and sound when you Tell Them To Stop. The adult will make sure you are all:

- 1. Using the right tone of voice
- 2. Using the right expression on your face



YOU?

The adult will pretend to be a kid who is being mean to younger kids because mean kids are always teasing and bullying HER. You pretend to be a teacher who is helping her to do the right thing.

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Imagine that you are seeing two teenage boys laughing together and calling each other rude names.

What would you do?



YOU?

The adult will pretend to be a kid who is upset after being teased for not being good at kickball. Help her by using these words:

\*What happened? \*That sounds terrible. \*Let me tell you about a time when I felt the same way.

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YOU?

Pretend that you are a teacher who is talking to a class. You are helping the class get ready for a new student coming tomorrow who is in a wheelchair and also has something wrong with her face. Make sure the students know the right way to treat the new student.