

What kind of bullying is this? Scenario sheet

1. Amy is 14. She has always played rugby and everyone says she is very good at it. She used to join in with the boys but now some of them are calling her names like 'lesbo' and giving her funny looks.

2. Michael always finds school difficult. He enjoys going to school but he is very forgetful and disorganised. He regularly forgets his books, bag and timetable. His classmates think it is funny to move or hide his things and watch him get upset.

3. Herjit has decided that she wants to wear a headscarf. She is a Muslim. However, some people have now stopped talking to her and are giving her funny looks because of this.

4. Max is new to school. He has a very strong accent and a stammer. When people mimic him he kicks and punches them because he can't find the words to answer them back.

5. Caris likes playing the violin and the piano. She is a member of an orchestra and plays classical music. Lately she has been getting text messages saying she is a freak and a boffin. She doesn't know who is sending the messages but she feels scared.

6. Jonathan is worried. Yesterday he saw his friend being pushed up against the wall and being roughed up by some other boys in their class. Although his friend was laughing he had a bit of a mark on his face and he looked really shaken.

7. Kate took some photos of her and her friends when they were messing around in her bedroom. They had all done their hair and makeup and were posing in quite provocative ways. Now someone has put the photos of her on the internet with really sexually explicit messages and without her permission.

8. Vernon is very small for his age. He also has a bad leg that he was born with, so he limps. He is upset and angry because bigger boys keep picking him up.

9. Polly is a very pretty and popular girl and she is in Year 9. She is going out with a boy in Year 11. Her boyfriend often tells her that she is ugly and calls her a bitch. She has to tell him where she is going all the time and he won't let her go anywhere without him.

10. Sandra was born with a hearing problem. She has found it hard to make friends because sometimes her speech isn't very clear and she can't always follow what people are saying. When she went into the toilets she saw nasty graffiti calling her a retard and a thicko.



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