

**CYBER BULLY**

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	Amy Withers OC/VO	<p>The essential question of our day is when does inappropriate online behavior cross the line to cyber bullying and what can you do about it? My name's Amy Withers.</p> <p><b>GRAPHICS ON SCREEN</b>  <i>Amy Withers Social Studies/Amistad Dual Language School, New York City</i></p> <p>And I teach at Amistad Dual Language School in Manhattan. So sometimes we do joke with each other and that's fine. Today's lesson is about cyber bullying, and it focuses on when maybe teasing online crosses the line to become something more serious. These are different forms of cyber bullying. Right? That all the things you're talking about. So, harassing, does anybody know what harassing might mean?</p>
	Samantha OC	It's like pressuring you to do something?
	Amy Withers OC/VO	<p>It could mean that, yeah. It just means when you're repeating something like pressure or a negative message over and over and you're using digital media. Today we focus really on looking at what are the different forms of cyber bullying. In the lesson, there are a lot of different interactions going on with the students. They are talking about something with the whole class and sharing ideas. And then they go into smaller groups and grapple over things that they might not all agree on. So they have to focus on backing up their opinions with evidence. And then in the end they have to take a highlight of what they discussed and then share that out with the rest of the class. First we're going to watch a video of a teenager who was involved in a cyber bullying episode.</p>
	Stacy OC	Her friend saw me comment her

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		boyfriend. She thought something was going on so she got mad and then her friend started like harassing me on My Space. I remember telling my mom and my mom was mad. She was like, "You should tell, you should call the school. You should do this. You should do that." I was like, "That will just make it worse."
	Amy Withers VO/OC	Okay. We're going to talk a little bit about the video. At the end Stacy's mom said that Stacy should call the school and report the incidents. Stacy responded, "It would just make it worse." Do you think it's true? Why or why not? Can you just take one second to talk about it at your tables and then?
	Female Child With Black Hair OC	I think yes.
	Samantha OC	The reason why they did that is because like they probably don't like her.
	Male Child Wearing Glasses OC	It's only her friend, not necessarily her.
	Amy Withers VO/OC	After they've discussed that, they will share out one point that they wanted to share from their discussion. Maybe something that they disagreed on. Who thinks that it would have made it worse, just by show of hands? Tell me why. <inaudible>.
	Female Child With Ponytail VO/OC	If she tells the school, she, and gets the other girls in trouble, the girls are going to get mad at her and they're probably going to keep on.
	Female Child Wearing Blue Sweater VO/OC	I think she should have called because it'll make it kind of like solve the problem because now she's going to have to like keep on fighting for like, she's going to be like keep on worried. And if they do like she tells them, the school, then the school might do something about it.

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	Amy Withers OC	Right. So there seems to be kind of two possibilities that you're thinking of. Either it's going to make it a lot worse or it could put an end to it, right?
	Samantha OC	It was very emotional because...  <b>GRAPHICS ON SCREEN</b> <i>Samantha Sixth Grade</i>  ...if that would have happened to me, I would have been, I would have told somebody. But, if it was up to me, I wouldn't, I wouldn't like if somebody else that's not involved would get involved.
	Azalias OC	It was like really...  <b>GRAPHICS ON SCREEN</b> <i>Azalias Sixth Grade</i>  ...sad and intense at the same time because like you notice that like by the video I could like experience a little bit like how she felt.
	Amy Withers OC	The reason this curriculum is so important is and actually it's very different from today's lesson is that so much of the curriculum is focused on what a great tool and resource the internet is. So we're going to look at two different case studies now. For Mesopotamia and Greece, you're going to read the "Attacks From All Sides," okay? And Egypt, China and Israel, you're going to read "Election Sabotage." So the two case studies were two different incidents of a boy and a girl in two different situations that are cyber bullied. And as you read them, I want you to think of all the perspectives involved. So not just the person who's experienced a cyber bullying, but the bully him or herself, the parents, the family, maybe the

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		school, the friends that are involved. And any time you're giving an opinion, make sure you're backing it up with evidence.
	Female With Ponytail OC	The other girl she wants to win class president, so like for the other <inaudible> who vote for her, it says that most of them are Asian. So like that's what she <inaudible>.
	Female Child In Pink Shirt OC	<inaudible> will happen, would this be a reason not to vote for Sarah?
	Male Child Wearing Glasses VO	Yeah.
	Female Child Wearing Green Top OC	Which.
	Male Child Wearing Glasses VO	But I do admire her.
	Female Child In Pink Shirt OC	Maybe. Yeah.
	Male Child Wearing Glasses OC	Depends on the right kind of people, would you really want that?
	Female Child With Ponytail OC	I don't think that she would agree, like she wouldn't like that.
	Azalias OC	You have evidence that Sarah knew because like it was online.
	Amy Withers OC	Okay. So I've asked each group to just briefly share out just one thing that came out of your conversations.
	Female Child Wearing Green Top OC	I don't think it was a good reason for impersonating someone else online because they should like be honest and not cheat. It's like cheating.
	Male Child Wearing Glasses OC	I don't think it's really that good like impersonating someone.
	Female Child With Braid VO/OC	She posted a picture about him with a

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		turkey head and she comments like, "Why am I so stupid? What a <bleep>."
	Female Child Wearing Brown Top OC	It was wrong that the girl posted a picture of him. But instead he did the same to her so it was like <inaudible>.
	Amy Withers VO	So it just kind of snowballed?
	Female Child Wearing Brown Top OC	Yeah. Back and forth.
	Amy Withers VO/OC	Okay. I think this lesson is critical and it's something that comes up when the students talk about it because they're so used to communicating online. They might not realize that something has crossed the line. This is serious. This is cyber bullying. This has major consequences.
	Justin OC	I think...  <b>GRAPHICS ON SCREEN</b> <i>Justin Sixth Grade</i>  ...it is a good topic to learn so that if you're ever in that situation, you know what to do.
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