

A/ READING COMPREHENSION (6m)

Read the following text and do as indicated.

School Bullying



Bullying is becoming a very serious problem in more and more schools.

Bullies are very mean people. They are violent and enjoy seeing victims' fearful faces. It makes them think they are stronger than others. Bullies always choose victims who are small, weak, or scared because they know these students probably won't tell school officials.

In my high school years, a group of students bullied anybody during breaks or lunch time. Sometimes, they even took money from the students they bullied.

These bullying situations went on for a long time; however, school officials did not know about it because it happened only in isolated places. The victims never tried to tell the teachers because they were afraid the bullies would take revenge.

Finally, one student told a teacher about that group of students who hit him during the break and took his packed lunch. The bullies were suspended for a week, but after they returned to school, they made that student's life miserable; they taunted him, told jokes about him and made fun of him in all places. The poor kid had to move to another school. After that, none of the other students tried to intervene because they were afraid of being the next victims.

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1- Tick the correct alternative.(1.m)

The text is about...
a- violence at school.
b- friendship at school.
c- relationships between students and teachers.

2- Answer the following questions. (1mk)

Did victims usually tell the teachers when they got bullied? Why?

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3- Say whether the following statements are true (T) or false. (F) (2m)

a- School officials knew everything about bullying in their schools.

b- When they were punished, the bullies stopped annoying the other students.

4- How are bullies and their victims like? Find in the passage 2 adjectives to describe each in the table below.(2m).

Bullies	Victims

5. Match words with their definitions:

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| 1. a bully | a) actions or words that are intended to hurt someone |
| 2. violence | b) to hurt someone in return for being hurt by that person |
| 3. to taunt | c) a person who hurts others by forcing them to do sth |
| 4. be suspended | d) to intentionally tease, torment, provoke someone |
| 5. to take revenge | e) to not be allowed to work/go to school temporarily |

HOMEWORK

6. Imagine your friend comes to you and tells that he/she is being bullied at school? What would you tell hem/her? What he/she should do?

glossary:

bully - dręczyciel; tyranizować, dręczyć, zatraszać, znęcać się,

a bully - a domineering person, oppressor,

(to bully) **bullying** - to push around (rozkazywać komuś, pomiatać), harass,

oppress (gnębić, prześladować), grind somebody down (uciskać, gnębić),

terrorize, torment (dręczyć, torturować), threaten etc.

victim - ofiarą

violence - przemoc

be suspended - być zawieszonym (w prawach ucznia)

taunt - drwić, szydzić - to tease (dokuczać, kpić), provoke, torment (dręczyć),

mock (drwić)