

# AN ACT OF COURAGE

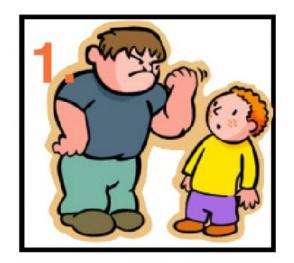
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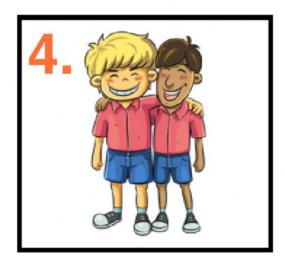


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| to insult or mock someone                       | to interfere | a short temper                                     |
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| frighten someone to make them do what one wants |              | Can't you speak? Usually said to embarrass someone |



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| confront                        |         |
| a taste of your<br>own medicine |         |
| picking on<br>someone           |         |
| face the music                  |         |
| complained                      |         |

| to challenge or oppose someone               | give someone the<br>same bad treatment<br>they gave others | to make a report to someone of authority |
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| to receive consequences of one's bad actions |  | to bully someone                         |



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It was a typical school morning. I was anticipating for recess as I had barely eaten breakfast that day. As I headed to the canteen, I was expecting to be greeted by the usual commotion that happens during every recess. However, this time something very different happened.

FORESHADOW

At the entrance of the canteen, I saw Timothy, the school bully. He was picking on a boy one-third of his size!

Nobody liked Timothy!

| He was  |  |
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| ADVERB  | ADJECTIVE                                |
| Not only was he fat, he was as tall as            | He                                       |
|   | USE A SIMILE                             |
| was a walkinguse a METAPHOR                       | To top it off, he got angry very quickly |
| thanks to his short fuse. Naturally, we           | felt USE AN EMOTIONAL ADJECTIVE          |
| and intimidated by him!                           |  |
| "Give me your money!"  USE A SPEECH by his collar | TAG Timothy, lifting the puny boy        |



| The poor boy was so skinny that he was a W  |
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| ADJECTIVE   |
| ould see his bones protruding! "I need the money to buy my sister a   |
| oresent!" the boy Unfortunately, his pleas fell on use a speech tag leaf ears. Timothy continued taunting the poor boy as everyone watched. I |
| elt I knew I should not stick my nose  use an emotional adjective  innecessarily but seeing the boy in tears made me very angry. I decided to |
| wallow my fear and confront the bully. "Stop!" I  |
| PERSONIFICATION USE A SPEECH TAG  |
| extremely angry.  |
| FACIAL EXPRESSIONS  |
| Wow! Wow! Wow! A contender?" Timothy. I froze in m  |
| racks in fear. I felt  USE AN EMOTIONAL ADJECTIVE   |
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| USE A SPEECH TAG  |
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| he angrily towards me, his foot steps sounded like that walk cycle of a dinosaur. I knew I was in hot soup. "What is happening here?" a voice |
| echoed the hallways. I recognized that voice. It is Mrs. Trunchbull, our  |
| school's head mistress. She was a force to be reckoned with. Standing at two  |
| metres tall, she was not only a towering giant but she was wide as two barn   |
| doors. Mrs. Trunchbull was the only person who could put Timothy in his   |
| place. Someone must have complained! Clenching her fists together, she  |
| use a speech tag  medicine! To the Principal's room! NOW!" Everyone clapped. Mrs. Trunchbull  |
| patted me on the back and congratulated me for my courage. As for Timothy,  |
| he had to face the music! The puny boy hugged and   |
| I nodded and a friendship blossomed between us. I got to learn his name is  |
| Eddie. Eddie and I became thick friends. I learned standing up against a bully  |
| is the right thing to do. After that incident, everyone had respect for my  |
| courage. Fortune truly favours the bold. PROVERB  |

