

DIFFICULT MOMENTS AT SCHOOL

I'm often disappointed with my test results. I revise a lot and I'm exhausted, so when I get bad marks I feel depressed and my parents are furious.

I'm really upset about school. Some boys call me bad names because I'm short and not very slim. They hurt me too – I'm terrified of them!

Some girls at school laugh at my clothes. They are rich! At first I was jealous and embarrassed. Now I'm just annoyed!



- 1 **3.61** Listen and repeat. Find the adjectives in the speech bubbles and explain their meaning.

Vocabulary Feelings

annoyed depressed disappointed embarrassed
exhausted furious jealous terrified upset

2 Circle the correct answer.

- My best friend can't come to my pizza party. I'm disappointed / terrified.
- When my bike was stolen, I was *furious* / *embarrassed*.
- My brother was *jealous* / *exhausted* when I got my expensive, new trainers.
- I always feel *annoyed* / *terrified* when I watch horror films!
- I was *jealous* / *embarrassed* when my mum picked me up from the rock concert.
- My friend is *exhausted* / *upset* about her exam results. She worked really hard, but she still failed!

- 3 Read the Vocabulary Builder. Describe how you would feel in these situations. Use the adjectives from the Vocabulary Builder.

Vocabulary Builder Extreme adjectives

Some adjectives in English are called extreme adjectives. We don't use 'very' with them.

furious = very angry *exhausted* = very tired
terrified = very scared

My mum was **very** furious when I lost my mobile phone.

- It's ten o'clock at night and I'm still doing my homework. *I'm exhausted.*
- A big dog runs up to me in the park. It's angry and it's barking.
- My sister has borrowed my favourite scarf and she has lost it.

- 4 Read the definitions. Which situations in the cartoon are examples of bullying?

to bully (v) to hurt or frighten someone, and make them do things they don't want to do → **bullying** (n)
a bully (n) someone who hurts other people, and makes them feel bad.

- 5 **3.62** Listen to a radio interview. What's the connection between Spiderman and Lady Gaga?

Exam Spot **3.62** Listen again and circle the correct answer a, b or c.

- Superheroes were bullied at school because they
a wore different clothes. b had super powers.
c weren't 'cool'.
- Superhero stories tell us that
a you should be rude to bullies.
b bullies are the 'winners'.
c kids who are bullied can become 'winners'.
- Lady Gaga was bullied because of her
a name. b nose. c ears.
- When you or your friends are bullied, you
a should talk to teachers and parents.
b shouldn't do anything.
c should talk to the bullies.