



Classroom and Small Group Discussion for "Rescue or Report"

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Use some or all of the following questions to stimulate a discussion about bullying and school safety with small groups of children.

"RESCUE OR REPORT"

1. Why does Melody feel sad? Why didn't she walk home with Brenda as she promised?
2. What happened to Brenda on her way home?
3. Melody believes that Brenda may not have been teased if she had walked home with her friend. Why does Melody think this?
4. Stephen makes a joke about Melody beating up the bully who picked on Brenda. How does Melody respond? What does she say about violence and "solving problems with fists?"
5. Melody tells Stephen that bullies like an audience. Do you think this is true? Why or why not?
6. When Stephen pretends to be bullied, Melody decides to help. What does she do first?
7. After looking at the situation, Melody pays attention to the "little voice inside." What does she call that voice?
8. Melody's instincts help her decide how to help. What does she do to help Stephen? Is hollering for Stephen to come play a game a realistic choice? Why or why not?
9. How else could Melody have helped Stephen?
10. What could she do if Melody couldn't solve a bully problem alone? What circumstances might lead a kid to get an adult's help to solve a problem?