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GRADES 3-5

BE AWARE: Learn to Recognize Bullying

Bullies Are a Pain in the Brain

by Trevor Romain

Practical advice for dealing with bullies, standing up for others in bullying situations, and getting help when you need it.

Max Quigley, Technically Not a Bully

by James Roy

Max sometimes has trouble behaving, but it's not really his fault. When Max locks Triffin "Nerdstrom" outside on a school field trip, the two boys' parents decide that there is a lot they can learn from each other. Will they become friends?

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BE PREPARED: Get the Facts About Bullying

The Skinny on Bullying

by Mike Cassidy

Beth and Billy encounter bullying for the first time when they enter Stickville Middle School. Follow their adventures and learn to recognize and deal with bullying behavior in yourself and others.

Confessions of a Former Bully

by Trudy Ludwig

Katie teases her schoolmate—and gets caught! Now she has to see the school counselor so she can learn what she did wrong and how to fix it.

Good-bye Bully Machine

by Debbie Fox and Allan L. Beane

Bullying can be scary and even dangerous, just like a loud, powerful machine. Kind behaviors and informed, compassionate choices can unplug the machine so you can tell bullying “good-bye!”

Dexter the Tough

by Margaret Peterson Haddix

Dexter is angry with his parents for leaving him with his grandmother while his father is being treated for cancer. He’s angry with the kids who laugh at him when he slips and falls on the first day of school. The only way to protect himself is to show everyone just how tough he really is.

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BE UNIQUE: It's Okay to Be Different

The Thing About Georgie

by Lisa Graff

Georgie Bishop is a ten-year-old dwarf with a lot of problems. His parents are having a new baby, Jeanie the Meanie is his partner for the class project about presidents, and she has volunteered Georgie for the role of Abraham Lincoln in the school play. But the thing about Georgie is ... he's up to the challenge!

Stick Up for Yourself!

by Gershen Kaufman, Lev Raphael, and Pamela Espeland

Easy-to-follow advice and real-life examples help kids build self-esteem and learn to be assertive as they stick up for themselves in sticky situations.

Nothing Wrong with a Three-Legged Dog

by Graham McNamee

Keath and Lynda love dogs, especially a three-legged dog named Leftovers. They do not love bullies, especially one named Toothpick who seems to only notice the color of people's skin. Through working with Leftovers, Keath and Lynda learn why it's sometimes good to stand out.

Loser

by Jerry Spinelli

Donald Zinkoff loves school so much that he shows up early. He loves to run, but is still his team's weakest link on Field Day. He loves to help others and looks for a lost little girl for hours in the snow, even after she was found. The other kids call him "Loser," but Zinkoff proves anyone can be a winner.

Being Me: A Kid's Guide to Boosting Confidence and Self-esteem

by Wendy L. Moss, Ph.D.

Discover your strengths, build self-esteem, and learn to feel confident and successful with this guide to life in and out of school.

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BE COMPASSIONATE: Bullying Affects Everyone

Ramp Rats

by Liam O'Donnell

A Graphic Guide Adventure about Marcus, who is teaching his cousin, Bounce, to skate and learning to deal with bullies and outlaw bikers at the same time.

Understanding Myself

by Mary C. Lamia

Through real-life examples and self-evaluation quizzes, kids learn to recognize and understand their emotions and the emotions of others. Helpful tips guide kids in appropriately handling their feelings in any situation.

Wonder

by R.J. Palacio

August "Auggie" Pullman is the new kid in fifth grade at Beecher Prep. He wants nothing more than to fit in, but he was born with a facial deformity that makes him stand out. Will Auggie's classmates be able to look past his face and see who he is inside?

Better Than Weird

by Anna Kerz

Aaron is looking for acceptance at school and at home, where he is reunited with his father after eight long years. Aaron's differences have made him a target for the school bully, but he is hoping those same differences won't make his father disappear again.

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BE RESPONSIBLE: No One Has the Right to Bully

The Underwear Dare: Nerd vs. Bully!

by The Nardini Sisters

Josh's life takes a turn for the worse when Eddie, the biggest bully in school, becomes his step-brother. The two boys even have to share a bedroom, until Josh's dad agrees to turn the attic into a room for one of them. But which boy will get the room? Josh and Eddie devise their own system of deciding, which includes a series of dares that are not for the faint of heart!

A Wrinkle in Time

by Madeleine L'Engle

Meg Murry deals with bullies every day. The bullies at school and in town think she is immature, her brother, Charles Wallace, is dumb, and their scientist father ran off and abandoned them. Now Meg, Charles Wallace, and their friend Calvin must time travel to another planet to rescue Meg's father from the ultimate bully, the all-controlling leader IT.

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BE CONNECTED: Break the Cycle of Cyberbullying

Mystery of the Cyber Bully by Marty Chan

A cyberbully is targeting the classmates of Marty, Remi, and Trina, kid detectives. Marty and Remi's friendship is put to the test as they race to unmask the bully before he or she can strike again.

Online Etiquette and Safety by Phyllis Cornwall

This etiquette guide for the technology age explains the steps kids should take to protect themselves while using the Internet, including important information to help kids handle cyberbullies.

Set the Record Straight! by Rachel Wise

No one said working on the school newspaper would be easy. Samantha is learning this the hard way when her articles on the food in the cafeteria upset the staff and she starts receiving harassing e-mails about her role as the anonymous advice columnist, "Dear Know-It-All." Samantha must find a way to defend herself or her reporting days might be over for good.

A Smart Kid's Guide to Online Bullying by David J. Jakubiak

What should you do if you are a victim of a cyberbully? How can you protect yourself in cyberspace? This easy-to-read guide has the answers to these questions and many more with tips for kids on how to stay safe while still having fun online!

Chrissa Stands Strong by Mary Casanova

As she prepares for fifth grade, all Chrissa wants to do is practice for swim team tryouts. But Tara, the bully from Chrissa's fourth grade class, is competing for a spot, too. When mean text messages are sent to Chrissa and her friends, things start to get even more complicated. If Chrissa is going to figure things out, she will have to stand strong!

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BE UNITED: Friend Is the Opposite of Bully

There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom

by Louis Sachar

Even the teacher admits that no one wants to sit next to Bradley Chalkers. He tells lies, spends class cutting up his assignments, and picks fights. The school counselor, Carla, and a new student, Jeff, try to help Bradley see that he doesn't have to be the monster everyone thinks he is.

Speak Up and Get Along!

by Scott Cooper

Broken down into six sections that equate social skills with different types of birds, this guide gives kids twenty-one "tools" for standing up for themselves while still getting along with other people. Five tools for stopping teasing and bullying are included!

Knights of the Lunch Table: No. 1 (The Dodgeball Chronicles)

by Frank Cammuso

Artie King starts life in a new town and a new school, Camelot Middle School, where dodgeball is the favorite sport and The Horde, a group of bullies, are in charge. Artie is challenged to a game against The Horde. Will he be able to defeat them?

Making Choices and Making Friends

by Pamela Espeland and Elizabeth Verdick

Learn about the five Social Competencies Assets you need to succeed: planning and decision making, interpersonal competence, cultural competence, resistance skills, and peaceful conflict resolution.

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BE INDEPENDENT: Don't Be Bullied into Bullying

Hot Issues, Cool Choices

by Sandra McLeod Humphrey

This book raises awareness of some important factors that can cause kids to dread school: being teased, taunted, excluded, rejected, or afraid of bullying.

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Cabin Fever

by Jeff Kinney

Greg Heffley divides his days between dodging bullies at school, avoiding the authorities, and outwitting his parents. When a blizzard traps him at home for the holidays, will Greg survive?

Bullies, Bigmouths, and So-Called Friends

by J. Alexander

Quizzes and true-to-life scenarios help kids take a look at the emotional impact of bullying and learn how to handle any situation with confidence.

Carlos is Gonna Get It

by Kevin Emerson

Carlos has problems. He's small, trips often, and can't seem to stop scratching. But his biggest problem is that Trina and her friends are planning to play a trick on him during the next field trip. When Trina is assigned to work with Carlos, will getting to know him be enough to change her mind?

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BE POWERFUL: Bullies Can't Control You

How to Beat the Bully Without Really Trying by Scott Starkey

Rodney Rathbone is scared of a lot of things, especially Josh, the bully of Rodney's new school. When a baseball accidentally hits Josh, the whole school thinks Rodney threw it. Now Rodney must try to live up to a new reputation.

Joshua T. Bates Takes Charge by Susan Shreve

Joshua T. Bates has been bullied by Tommy Wilhelm for so long that he's almost used to it. When a new kid, Sean, joins Joshua's fifth-grade class, Tommy has no problem finding the time to bully him, too. Joshua has to decide if he will stand up for Sean or stand by and do nothing.

Bystander Power by Phyllis Kaufman Goodstein and Elizabeth Verdick

Bystanders have the power to stop bullying. Learn how to recognize bullying, stand up to bullies, and support the victims of bullying. Go from being a bystander to being an *upstander!*

When You Reach Me by Rebecca Stead

There are certain things Miranda can count on to be true, like her mom wanting to be on a game show, or being best friends with Sal. But Sal has been distant lately, and Miranda has started receiving mysterious notes about the future. Suddenly, there's nothing Miranda can count on anymore.

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BE HEROIC: Step Up to End Bullying

Stand Up for Yourself and Your Friends

by Patti Kelley Criswell

Girls often experience a different kind of bullying than boys. This book focuses on helping girls learn to spot bullying behavior, be confident, speak their minds, and stand up to bullies.

Jake Drake, Bully Buster

by Andrew Clements

Jake Drake recalls his encounters with various bullies over the years, right up until he meets Link Baxter, SuperBully. Jake and Link are assigned a project together and slowly discover that behind every bully, and victim, is a person who could be a friend.

Everyday Heroes

by Monica A. Moore

Learn about bullying and what you can do to help. Everyday people can speak up, take a stand, and become everyday heroes.

Surviving Brick Johnson

by Laurie Myers

Everyone knows that the big new kid, Brick Johnson, must be a bully. Why else would he have a name like Brick? Alex thinks he'd better start running after he makes fun of Brick. But when the two boys take the same karate class, Alex learns things, and people, are not always what they seem.

How to Train Your Dragon: Book 1

by Cressida Cowell

Hiccup, son of the chief of the Hooligan tribe, was born to be a dragon-riding Viking hero. Unfortunately, he does not excel in the traditional method of dragon training: YELLING. Hiccup must find a new way to train a dragon and fulfill his destiny.

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BE YOU: Refuse to Accept Bullying

Ginger & the Bully

by S.E. Simpson

Ginger Ryan can't believe she and her best friend, Melody, have been put in different fourth-grade classes. Ginger got stuck with mean Ms. Lindell. Things couldn't get any worse. That is, until a new bully named Todd Ryan shows up. What do you do when the class bully sits right next to you?

Maniac Magee

by Jerry Spinelli

The legend of Maniac Magee began when he ran away from his feuding aunt and uncle and arrived in the town of Two Mills. From hitting home runs to running faster than anyone, Maniac begins to make his mark on the town, and slowly but surely brings a racially divided community together.

Eight Keys

by Suzanne LaFleur

Turning twelve hasn't been easy for Elise. She suddenly finds out that playing pretend is considered babyish. She feels pressured to be unkind to her best friend, Franklin. And she receives a mysterious key from her father who died years ago. The key is one of eight that will help Elise unlock her past and open up her future.

Rules

by Cynthia Lord

Twelve-year-old Catherine is doing her best to teach her brother David the rules of life. But no matter how many rules he learns, David's autism causes him to act out and embarrass his sister. Will new friends help Catherine accept her brother's differences?