Week 1: Kid Kinder Jumps into Action

OH NO! WHAT'D YA DO, BRANT SLEEP IN A DUMPSTER?
I SHOULD TELL CAPTAIN COMPASSION!

I THINK WE HAVE A BULLYING SITUATION. I WANT TO HELP. WHAT SHOULD I DO?

THAT'S BULLYING, ALL RIGHT. REPEATED, INTENTIONAL, NEGATIVE BEHAVIOR TOWARD SOMEONE.
DEFUSE THE SITUATION BY SHOWING DAMAN THAT THIS ISN'T FUNNY OR COOL. IF HE'S SEEKING POWER AND APPROVAL FROM OTHERS, SHOW HIM THIS ISN'T THE WAY TO DO IT.

THAT'S NOT COOL, MAN. CUT IT OUT!

THANK YOU!

AND SO KIND!

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2018 Captain Compassion® Comics
Week 2: Stand Up for the Bullied

Basketball's lame! And you look like a boy! Jeez, Maya, you should step up your game and be cool.

Yeah, that's not nice. Anyway, Maya is the best player on the team!

Please stop. You're making me feel bad. Anyway, I like how I look.

Melissa stood up to Yui and showed that Maya should be included, not excluded, and Maya refused to be bullied!

I gotcha. That makes sense!

Hey!

How about we go to the game together, Yui?

You can see Maya in action. She's amazing! And you'll just love the fan swag. It's totally your style!

Sometimes the solution to bullying is to step in, be kind, and include others.
Hey, Dustin! I think Jorge is being bullied again.

Psst! I'm not playing with that loser!

Hey, Dustin, remember, excluding people is a kind of bullying.

Uh oh, I think Jorge is being bullied again.

Looks like Dustin and Barry aren't being empathetic to Jorge.

Sorry, Jorge. Want to come play with us?

Yeah, I guess you're right.

Now that's a good way to help stop bullying. Empathizing with others builds friendships and helps kids feel safe!
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Week 4: Be Respectful and Kind

@Leafy_Lea43 is online. I bet she sees @AmusingGamer128's mean comments about her new haircut. I should say something.

@chrish.kind1017
Hey, @AmusingGamer128. I saw your comment on @Leafy_Lea43's picture. Don't you think that'll hurt her feelings? Would you like this to happen to you?

@AmusingGamer128
No...I wouldn't. I guess I didn't realize how mean it sounded when I posted it.

@chrish.kind1017
Thanks.

@Leafy_Lea43
Thanks, @AmusingGamer128. I'll appreciate that.

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Way to use your Bystander Power, Chris!

You showed that when people recognize, report, and refuse bullying, they can really make a difference.

You were respectful and kind...

...you demonstrated empathy, and you helped people include others.

Now, if you find yourself in a bullying situation, you'll be equipped with the tools you'll need to help resolve the situation.

And remember, everyone has the power to help stop bullying!

You're ready to go out on your own. Use this badge whenever you need to activate your Bystander Power.
2019 Captain Compassion® Comics
Week 1: Kid Kinder Jumps into Action

Lunchtime at Summer Camp:

- Kid Kinder jumps into action to help two siblings, Zoey and Ari, who were bullied at camp.

That Evening at the Dock:

- Kid Kinder, good to see you. I know.

At Kid Kinder’s House:

- Two siblings, Zoey and Ari, saw someone being bullied today at camp and are regretting that they didn’t speak up.

Can you help them activate their bystander power?

I’m on it.
2019 Captain Compassion® Comics
Week 2: Recognizing Bullying

KIP KIRPER: You know it takes a lot of courage to speak up when you see bullying.

YOU CAN SHOW ZOEY AND ARI THAT RECOGNIZING BULLYING IS IMPORTANT.

HEY! I HEARD ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED AT LUNCH YESTERDAY. I’VE BEEN IN THE EXACT SAME SITUATION.

YOU HAVE?

IT CAN BE TOUGH TO SAY SOMETHING, AND IF YOU DON’T FEEL SAFE, YOU SHOULDN’T DO IT.

BUT BY RECOGNIZING BULLYING, YOU’VE ALREADY STARTED ACTIVATING YOUR BYSTANDER POWER.

WHAT’S BYSTANDER POWER?

IT’S OUR ABILITY TO BE A PART OF THE SOLUTION IF WE SEE BULLYING OR KNOW IT’S HAPPENING.

BUT IT DOESN’T ALWAYS MEAN SPEAKING UP IN THE MOMENT. THERE’S ANOTHER POWERFUL WAY TO ACTIVATE YOUR BYSTANDER POWER... REPORTING!
2019 Captain Compassion® Comics
Week 3: Reporting Bullying

REPORTING BULLYING TO AN ADULT YOU TRUST IS A POWERFUL WAY TO ACTIVATE YOUR BYSTANDER POWER AND HELP PREVENT FUTURE BULLYING.

MARIE, WHY ARE YOU SO AFRAID TO GO OUT IN THE CANOE?
YOU'RE SUCH A BABY!

WITH BULLYING, KIDS NEED TO TRUST THAT ADULTS WILL BELIEVE THEM AND DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. REPORTING ONLY WORKS IF ADULTS TAKE EFFECTIVE ACTION.

LINA AND MALIK WON'T STOP CALLING MARIE MEAN NAMES.

NICE WORK! AND YOU TWO AREN'T THE ONLY ONES AT CAMP ACTIVATING YOUR BYSTANDER POWER...

THANK YOU BOTH FOR TELLING ME. I'LL MAKE SURE MARIE IS DOING OKAY, AND I'LL TALK WITH LINA AND MALIK SO THIS DOESN'T HAPPEN AGAIN.
2019 Captain Compassion® Comics

Week 4: Refusing Bullying

Kids are activating their bystander power and refusing bullying in different ways all over camp.

You're not the only ones who want to put an end to bullying.

Eli and Nick recognized a bullying situation, and they're stepping in to be allies to Sam.

Why are you always making fun of Sam's heel?

That's bullying, and it's not cool.

And Savannah and Talia are telling Oliver that because his friends keep being mean to him, he can hang out with them instead.

Ellen's been picked on lately, so Sam is walking with her to her next activity.

Using your bystander power is easier when you know you're not alone.

Little did they know their own bystander power would soon be put to the test...
2019 Captain Compassion® Comics
Week 5: Zoey and Ari Put a Stop to Bullying

ZOEY, GREAT JOB ANTICIPATING A POTENTIAL BULLYING SITUATION. INCLUDING OTHERS IS A POWERFUL WAY TO PREVENT BULLYING. REACHING OUT TO DANIEL TODAY DID JUST THAT.

BYSTANDER POWER IS WITHIN ALL OF US—but activating it isn’t always easy to do.

THESE BADGES WILL HELP REMIND YOU BOTH TO RECOGNIZE, REPORT, AND REFUSE BULLYING, EVEN WHEN IT’S TOUGH.

CAN WE COUNT ON YOU TO CONTINUE TO HELP PUT A STOP TO BULLYING?
2020 Captain Compassion® Comics
Week 1: Trouble Online with Other Players

@Growkinderr20
I CAN'T WAIT TO SHOW ARI AND ZOEY MY NEW DESIGN! I EVEN GET TO PLAY WITH OTHER PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER. THIS IS AWESOME!

Grownkinderr20 joined the game
HAHA, LOOK AT THIS NEWBIE!

@Antagontron800
HEY @GROWKINDERR20, WHAT ARE YOU SUPPOSED TO BE? A THUG? I BET YOU LOOK LIKE THAT IN REAL LIFE TOO. HAHAAA!

@Drookyme0
@ Antagontron800
HANAH ... OH, WAIT, WHAT?

@Grownkinderr20
OH JEEZ, DON'T TAKE IT SO SERIOUSLY. IT'S JUST A JOKE.

Kid Kinderr, is everything okay?
I DON'T REALLY FEEL LIKE PLAYING ANYMORE. THIS KID MADE A WEIRD JOKE. I DON'T KNOW ... I THOUGHT THIS GAME WAS GOING TO BE MORE FUN. I DIDN'T THINK THEY'D MAKE FUN OF ME ...
2020 Captain Compassion® Comics
Week 2: Bullying Is No Joke

Maybe not the hoops this time. Maybe then I won’t get picked on...

I really like the hoops, though. I wish I didn’t have to change how I look.

WHAT’S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?

@Growkinderg20, you ready to lose on wow, I almost didn’t recognize you. You didn’t want to be a thug today? Hahaha!

@Growkinderg20: Weez, overreact much? Can’t you take a joke?

Jokes are supposed to be funny.

It’s funny to me!

Hey Kid Kinder, how’s the game going?

Okay, I guess... but every time I log on this other player is kind of mean.

Well, what did they say?

I don’t know. They always bring up how I look like a thug like there’s something wrong with me.

There’s nothing wrong with you, Kid Kinder. Sometimes kids bully others because of their race and that’s not okay.

Honor your gut intuition. If it doesn’t feel like a funny, ear-squealing joke, it probably isn’t. I wonder what your friends think.

I think Ari and Zoe are at the skate park. I should talk to them about it.

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2020 Captain Compassion® Comics

Week 3: Kid Kinder confides in Ari and Zoey

Hey Kid Kinder, you made it!

What’s wrong? Why aren’t you skating?

It’s nothing...

Are you sure?

I signed on to that new game we talked about... it was what I expected.

What do you mean?

There’s this player who kept making jokes about me looking like a thug, and... that’s not a funny thing to say to a black person. Actually, it’s not funny to say to anyone. Words like that hurt.

Whaa! Not cool!

I mean, what’s it matter if it’s just a game.

But it doesn’t feel like a game if I leave it feeling like an outrage.

Don’tcha think you’re being a little sensitive?

Come on, Ari. You know that people say mean things to us because of our race. All the time. Remember that time Asiella came home upset because someone kept saying she couldn’t speak “real” English.

Oh, ok.

A lot of people don’t have to think about it, but some of us do, and I hurt... I just wish that when people look at me, they’d see me for me.

Hey, I may not get it, but prejudice is about us being a part of the solution, even if we don’t understand that bullying is happening. I got your back no matter what.

As Kid Kinder skates home, he has a lot on his mind...
Hey you're back! How was your talk with your friends?

Okay, I guess. It helped. But...

But what?

I'm still not sure what to do.

That's okay. It's good to talk to your friends, even if they don't always have the answers. As long as they're trying to understand and help then they're on the right track.

There are many ways to respond to those moments of conflict and it can be hard to figure out exactly what to do. Even if you've dealt with this before, just think about how you've helped others in the past.

It's just hard, I guess. Besides I haven't been sure how to do this for myself.

Standing up for yourself might feel a little scary, but it's so important. It's a superpower you all have. And you have friends who have your back.

Superhero power is not just about helping your friends when bullying happens, but also about preventing bullying when it happens to you.

You know what I have an idea.瑞!
2020 Captain Compassion® Comics
Week 5: Refusing Race-Based Bullying

@Ariaaurus
@ReadySetZo

LOOK WHO IT IS! I KNEW IT WAS YOU AS SOON AS THE TRASH POPPED UP.

THAT'S NOT FUNNY.

OH! YOU'RE NOT SO SORRY, ARE YOU? YOU'RE SUCH A...

HEY! THAT'S NOT COOL. WE'RE JUST HERE TO PLAY THIS GAME.

@Antagotron800
@Grunkinder20
@ReadySetZo

ET CORN, GUY. I THINK I'M GOING TO GET THE BOWIE NEXT TIME.

WHY IS EVERYONE PICKING ON ME? IT WASN'T A Joke.

EVERY TIME I LOG ON, YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY AND CALLING ME A THUG... THAT'S NOT FUNNY. IT'S MEAN.

@Antagotron800
@Grunkinder20
@ReadySetZo

I WAS JUST KIDDING AROUND YOU GUYS ARE SO SENSITIVE!

NO, YOU'RE BEING MEAN ON PURPOSE AND THAT'S NOT OKAY.

COME ON, LET'S GO SOMEWHERE ELSE.

@Antagotron800
@Ariaaurus

WAIT, WHAT?

@Grunkinder20
@ReadySetZo

LET'S GO GOOD LUCK GETTING OUT OF HERE AND I MISS YOU IN THIS THING.

THIS IS GREAT, THERE'S ARE STEAMING AT A LOT OF PEOPLE. THEY WERE GOING TO HAVE MY BACK.

@Antagotron800
@Grunkinder20
@ReadySetZo

Grunkinder20 left the game
ReadySetZo left the game

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Grunkinder2 entered the game

@Antagotron800
@Ariaaurus

GRUNKINDER2 ENTERED THE GAME

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2021 Captain Compassion® Comics

Week 1: The Back-to-School Blues

Ugh, back to school... really?

So, kid, are you excited to go back to school?

Mam, I don't know, not really, I guess...

Yeah, I don't like being home all the time, but I'm not sure what school will be like now.

It's okay to have mixed emotions.

Why not? Aren't you excited to see your friends in person again?

I mean... it's gonna be weird.

What do you mean?

We haven't been at school in over a year.

I understand, you're not sure what to expect, right?

You've been through a lot this past year.

We all have. It makes sense that you aren't sure what to feel.

Maybe you should check in with your friends to see how they're doing.

Yeah, that's a good idea. We planned to meet up online today anyway.
2021 Captain Compassion® Comics
Week 2: Cyberbullying

WHAT UP, ZOEY? HEY, ARI. LET'S WAIT FOR THAT NEW PLAYER WE MET.

I THINK HER NAME IS XIA. RIGHT? SHE SAID SHE WAS GOING TO GET ONLINE, TOO.

XIA IS COOL. CAN YOU BELIEVE SHE'S GONNA BE AT OUR SCHOOL WHEN WE GO BACK?

UGH, I DON'T WANT TO THINK ABOUT GOING BACK TO SCHOOL!

WHAT? WHY?

HEY! WE READY TO PLAY?

WELL, LOOK WHO IT IS.

YOU WANNA PLAY OR YOU WANNA TALK?

I'M NOT PLAYING WITH OR TALKING TO YOU.

WHY NOT?

I BETTER GET MY MASK...

UM ... DOES THAT MEAN WHAT I THINK IT MEANS? THAT PLAYER SAID THE SAME THING TO XIA LAST TIME.

I SHOULD SAY SOMETHING.

SHOULD I SAY SOMETHING? LAST TIME THIS HAPPENED, XIA SAID, "DON'T SAY THAT."

WHY ISN'T ANYONE SAYING ANYTHING?

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I HAVE TO GO...

WAIT, XIA!

IS EVERYTHING OKAY?

XIA GOT BULLIED AND I FROZE.

IT'S HARD IN TIMES OF STRESS TO KNOW WHAT TO DO, BUT YOU KNOW HOW TO BE AN UPSTANDER. FREEZING HAPPENS.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

I CAN'T BELIEVE WE'RE BACK.

YEAH, IT FEELS WEIRD.

HEY, THERE'S XIA. LET'S GO SAY HI.

I HAVE TO GO...

WAIT, XIA!

IS EVERYTHING OKAY?

XIA GOT BULLIED AND I FROZE.

IT'S HARD IN TIMES OF STRESS TO KNOW WHAT TO DO, BUT YOU KNOW HOW TO BE AN UPSTANDER. FREEZING HAPPENS.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

I CAN'T BELIEVE WE'RE BACK.

YEAH, IT FEELS WEIRD.

HEY, THERE'S XIA. LET'S GO SAY HI.

HEY, I'M SORRY I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT, YOU KNOW...

Yeah, me too.

Whatever. It's fine.

SAME.

Hey, I'm sorry I didn't say anything about, you know...

Yeah, me too.

Whatever. It's fine.

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SAME.

Hey, I'm sorry I didn't say anything about, you know...

Yeah, me too.

However, I've dealt with bullying before, and we promise to stand up for you if it happens again.

I HEARD SHE'S FROM CHINA. BETTER KEEP YOUR DISTANCE.

HEH, DON'T LAUGH. THAT'S NOT FUNNY.

I HEARD SHE'S FROM CHINA. BETTER KEEP YOUR DISTANCE.

HEH, DON'T LAUGH. THAT'S NOT FUNNY.

I HEARD SHE'S FROM CHINA. BETTER KEEP YOUR DISTANCE.

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I HEARD SHE'S FROM CHINA. BETTER KEEP YOUR DISTANCE.

HEH, DON'T LAUGH. THAT'S NOT FUNNY.
Hey, what you said wasn’t cool.

It was a joke, calm down.

It wasn’t a joke, you hurt our friend.

Geez, relax.

How would you feel if someone said that to you?

I didn’t say anything, I was just laughing.

Yeah, don’t blame us, we didn’t say anything.

Exactly.

You didn’t say anything, and you should’ve. We should all stand up when someone is being bullied.

I mean ... what are we supposed to say?

Okay, everyone, let’s get started.

Let’s reactivate our upstander power after class!
Later that day at school...

Listen, about what happened in class today.

I know it can be tough to stand up when someone is being bullied.

But by recognizing bullying, you've already started activating your upstander power.

It's our ability to be part of the solution if we see bullying or know it's happening. But it doesn't always mean speaking up in the moment.

There's another powerful way to activate your upstander power... reporting!

Yeah, reporting bullying to an adult you trust can help prevent future bullying.

Mr. Mac, Xia was bullied by a student in class earlier today.

Thank you for telling me.

I'll make sure Xia is doing okay, and I'll talk with the student so this doesn't happen again.

I heard what you said.

Thank you.

The things that kid said weren't jokes—they hurt.

I know what it's like when that happens. It does hurt. I'm sorry that happened to you.

I'm glad we could help. Using your upstander power is easier when you know you're not alone.

I'm so glad to see you all together.

Keep spreading your kindness to the world. Upstander power is within all of us!