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Week 1: The Heart of Empathia

Is it just me or does anyone else feel like things are weird this year?

Earlier that week:

Is everything okay?

Actually, things aren’t going well...

Upstander power is the beating heart of my home world, Empathia.

But on our moon, bullying drains that power away.

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You and your friends are strongest when you work together.

Make sure you look out for others if you see bullying happen.

Back at school:

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Week 2: The Pressure to Bully

That wasn’t funny. Should I say something?

Maybe if I laugh they’ll invite me to the party.

Why do they always think it’s funny to harass me because I’m black?

I’m sick of it and it hurts.

Chill out!

It isn’t any worse than what your cousin said last week.

DID YOU HEAR THAT? THAT’S SO MESSED UP.

I wonder if he’s okay...

Kid Kinder, we need to reactivate your classmates’ upstander power.

Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha!

Upstander power activate!
STOP IT!

WHEN YOU KEEP MAKING FUN OF SOMEONE BECAUSE OF THEIR RACE, IT ISN'T COOL.

XIA'S RIGHT. THAT'S RACIALLY MOTIVATED BULLYING, AND IT'S IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE IT.

SERIOUSLY?

I'M THE MOST POPULAR KID IN SCHOOL... HOW COULD I BE A BULLY?

BULLY ISN'T A NOUN. IT'S AN ACTION.

BULLYING IS REPEATED.

IT'S INTENTIONAL.

AND SOMETIMES IT CAN BE SUBTLE OR INDIRECT.

ONCE YOU CAN RECOGNIZE BULLYING, YOU CAN REFUSE TO PARTICIPATE OR REPORT THE BULLYING TO A GROWN-UP.

IT'S TIME WE TAKE BULLYING DOWN BY STANDING UP TOGETHER!
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Week 4: Saying Sorry

I'm sorry. I don't want to make anyone feel that way.
That's why we need to be kind and respectful.

What can I do to make this right? Where do I even start?

Listen, what you said was really unkind. How do you think that made your friends feel?

Can't you take a joke?
It's not that big a deal.
I mean, I guess I just figured they shouldn't care what I think.

When someone knocks you down because of who you are, you never forget that hurt.

You'll never amount to anything!

And make sure we include everyone. This is what upstanders do.

Apologizing is the first step, but what we do next matters most.
YOUR SCHOOL IS SAFER NOW, BUT WE CAN'T STOP YET.

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Week 5: A Kinder World

RACIALLY MOTIVATED BULLYING HAS ALWAYS BEEN A PART OF THE WORLD, AND IT'S STILL AT WORK NOW.

IT WILL TAKE EVERY ONE OF US TO PUT A STOP TO RACIALLY MOTIVATED BULLYING AND CREATE A KINDER, SAFER WORLD.

OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS US.
WE HAVE TO HELP OTHERS ACTIVATE THEIR UPSTANDER POWER.
I WANT TO HELP.

ACROSS THE NEIGHBORHOOD

ON THE PLAYGROUND

WHAT'S NEXT FOR OUR HEROES?
WHAT WOULD YOU DO TO BE A GOOD UPSTANDER?
I'M COUNTING ON YOU TO HELP OTHERS BE KIND AND MAKE RESPONSIBLE DECISIONS.

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