

Worksheet 3:

Crossing the Line: Scenarios

Instructions:

In your groups read through your scenario, discuss and answer the following:

Do you believe the actions in the scenario to be over the line aka unacceptable behaviour or not?

Suggest advice or a coping skill to the young person in this scenario for how to deal with this form of online harassment.



Scenario A

Sophie loves taking pictures and updating her status wherever she goes. Keyshia has told Sophie she doesn't like being in them or being tagged but Sophie keeps doing it.

Scenario B

While playing for his club over the weekend Shane missed scoring on an open goal. When he got to school on Monday he discovered that someone had been recording the match and turned his missed shot into a GIF. E

everyone in the school has seen it and people keep laughing. He has asked people to stop forwarding it on but they tell him to relax and calm down, they are just having some fun.



Scenario C

David loves playing games online, especially since it allows him to link up to and compete with his friends after school. Recently there has been a new player in their group who keeps targeting and killing off David's character off as soon as he begins the game.

The player is also sending him harassing messages. David has tried to block the player but they keep reappearing under a new username killing off his character and sending him threatening messages. David is feeling like he has no other option than to stop playing the game





Scenario D

Laura and her friends have a messaging group that they chat in while doing their homework. One of the group has taken a dislike to a girl in the class and keeps making snarky comments about her. Laura is uncomfortable with them but doesn't know what to do.



Scenario E

Sarah and Rachel have been best friends since playschool. Recently though they have had a falling out. Since then, Sarah has decided to create a fake social media account for Rachel posting spreading lots of rumours and gossip under Rachel's name.

It's making Rachel very unpopular in school. Some of the gossip has been about teachers, and, not the Principal has heard that Rachel is behind the gossip, there's sure to be trouble.



Scenario F

Raj is short and overweight and not as athletic as most of the other boys in his year. He feels awkward and embarrassed when he has to change into his P.E. gear in the boy's changing room at school because this is when the other boys in his class tend to pick on him the most.

One day after P.E. class some of the boys decide to secretly take pictures of Michael without his shirt on while he is getting changed after class. These pictures are then circulated to everyone in their year group on social media. The boys are putting it down to harmless banter but Michael is left upset as he overhears comments, pointing and snickering while he's walking down the corridor.

