

Kid Scoop

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Kid Scoop Together: Funny Filler

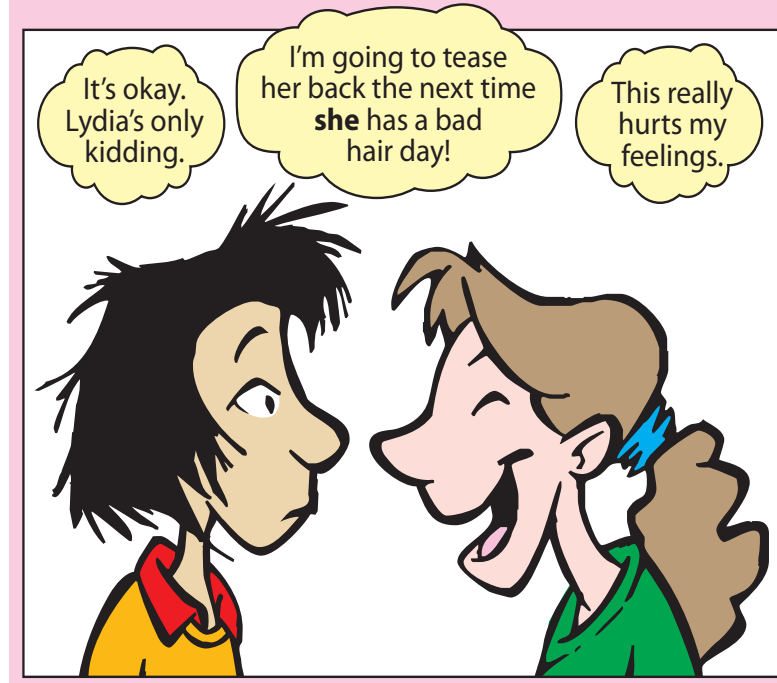
Have a friend give you each type of word to fill in the blanks. Then read the story aloud!

Today's Kid Scoop page is to start you talking! Read each section and then discuss the questions.

Talk About Teasing

Why do kids tease? Some teasing starts out to be fun, but then it goes too far and turns negative and hurtful. Some kids tease because they feel bad about themselves, or they are sad or scared. Some kids tease to go along with the crowd. They think teasing other children will make them look cool.

Lydia is teasing Julie about her messy hair. Circle what Julie is thinking. Why did you choose the thought you selected?



Funny is not the same for everyone. One person may think getting teased about their hair is funny. Another person might find getting teased about their hair painful.

TALK ABOUT IT! When and why have you teased someone in the past?
 Standards Link: Health: Students know strategies for solving interpersonal conflicts without harming self or others.

TALK ABOUT IT! When is teasing fun and when is it painful?

Look at the examples of teasing below. Cross out the examples that you think are hurtful. Circle the ones you think are funny. Not everyone will circle and cross out the same pictures. Why is that?



TALK ABOUT IT! What are some good ways to deal with being teased?
 Too much teasing is **bullying**. When you see bullying, there are safe things you can do to make it stop. Below are a few things you can do to help a person that has been upset by teasing. Which would you try first? With a parent, discuss each of these helpful tips.

Talk to a parent, teacher, or another adult you trust. Adults need to know when bad things happen so they can help.

Be kind to the kid being bullied. Sit with them at lunch or on the bus or invite them to do something. Just hanging out with them will help.

Not saying anything could make it worse for everyone. The kid who is teasing will think it is ok to keep treating others that way.

TALK ABOUT IT!

What do you think kids should do if they are embarrassed or hurt by teasing?

Extra! Extra! Make Silly Sentences
 Go through the print or electronic edition of your newspaper and find three nouns, three verbs and six adjectives. Combine these to make three silly sentences.
 Standards Link: Grammar: Identify and correctly use nouns, verbs and adjectives.

My friend Lawrence had the hiccups while getting a haircut. I was joking and teasing with him about it and said his haircut made him look like a _____ ADJECTIVE _____ NOUN.

It was only a joke, but it made him pretty angry. To make it up to him, I invited him to see the _____ PLURAL NOUN with my family. Lawrence cheered up when he saw a _____ ADJECTIVE _____ NOUN VERB on the trapeze.

A shiny _____ NOUN drove into the center ring and a dozen crazy _____ PLURAL NOUN climbed out of it. My dad bought us each a bag of hot _____ NOUN and a balloon shaped like a _____ NOUN.

When we got home, I apologized again to Lawrence. "It's okay," he said. "I can't stay mad when I think about the _____ ADJECTIVE _____ PLURAL NOUN we saw today!"

Standards Link: Grammar: Understand and use nouns, adjectives and verbs correctly.

Kid Scoop-doku

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word **IGNORE** in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

R	I			G	
G		E		N	
E			G		
I	G	N	O	R	E
	O	G			
		E	G		R

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Missing Math

Make the sum of this row 15.

$$8 + \square + 7 + 6 - 10 = 15$$

Make the sum of this row 11.

$$11 + \square + 4 + \square - 12 = 11$$

Make the sum of this row 17.

$$3 + \square + 5 + 9 - \square = 17$$

Standards Link: Mathematical Reasoning: Use a variety of strategies to solve problems.

Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

NEGATIVE FEELINGS THREATEN THINKING TEASING HURTFUL PAINFUL TRUST ADULT KIND TALK HELP STOP BAD SAD

T	H	I	N	K	I	N	G	B	U
H	P	A	I	N	F	U	L	N	F
R	L	L	G	N	I	S	A	E	T
E	D	U	S	T	O	P	E	G	L
A	A	L	F	K	Y	L	I	A	U
T	S	U	R	T	I	N	B	T	D
E	G	M	A	N	R	N	A	I	A
N	U	L	G	S	T	U	D	V	S
T	K	S	O	P	L	E	H	E	P

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **TEASE**
 The verb **tease** means to make fun of or annoy.

Dad told Jeremy not to **tease** his little sister.

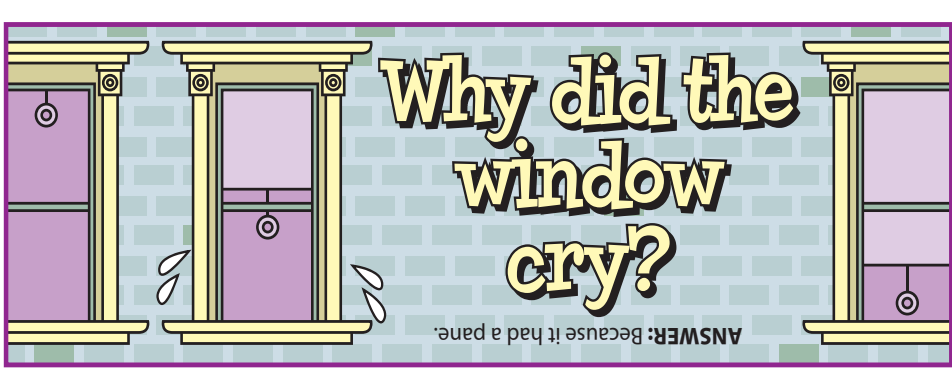
Try to use the word **tease** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family.

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Talk About the News

Choose a print or online newspaper article. List three reasons why it interests you. Ask a buddy to read the article and list reasons he or she finds it interesting. Did you have the same reasons? Talk about it!

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Read from a variety of expository texts; summarize and answer questions.



Write On! Stop Bullying NOW!

Pretend you have been asked to write an ad asking kids not to bully other kids. What would your advertisement say?

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