

## Cyber Busters Discussion



Separate into groups of 4 and brainstorm the following questions:

Define *Cyber Bullying* and give examples

What similarities and differences are there between *cyber bullying* and *face to face bullying*?

Similarities:

Differences:

Do you think *cyber bullying* is more harmful than *face to face bullying*? Why/why not?

Give reasons why you think kids participate in *cyber bullying* instead of *face to face bullying*.

How can a 'friendly joke' go too far? How can this affect the person who is being teased?

What strategies can you think of to stop an out of control 'friendly joke'?

What strategies could Susan have used in the cyber bullying situation to achieve a better outcome? Consider how the following people could have helped her:

Friends

Parents

Teachers

Year Advisers

Older siblings

Police

Deputy Principal/Principal

Counsellors

Return to your class group to discuss the above questions.

Summary and Whole Class Discussion: Strategies to stay safe on the Internet

Who are cyber predators?

How can we keep safe on the Internet?

When does pretending to be someone else online go from being fun to hurting others? (Consider Lucy and Nick).

Reflection: How has today's presentation made you re-think cyber bullying? Is it confronting to realise you may have participated in cyber bullying possibly without even realising? Have you gained a better understanding of how it feels to be a victim of cyber bullying????

