

Early Childhood



One

Kathryn Otoshi

BLUE is a quiet color, and RED's a bully. The other colors don't like it, but what can they do? When no one speaks up, ONE

comes along and shows them how to stand up and count. An important message, beautifully delivered. Ages 4-8.

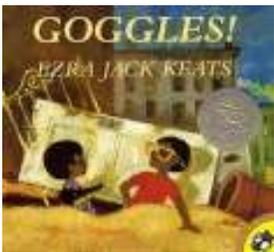


Zero

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When Zero looks at herself, she feels empty inside. Every day she watches the other numbers line up to count. She tries to

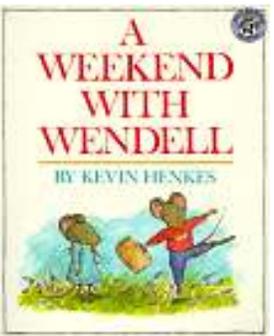
change to be like them. It isn't until she figures out how to be herself and help the other numbers "count even more" that she understands her own unique value. Ages 4-8.



Goggles!

by Ezra Jack Keats

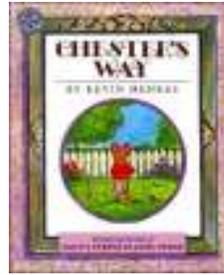
Peter and his friend find a pair of goggles in amongst some discarded junk and must protect them from the neighborhood bullies.



Weekend with Wendell

by Kevin Henkes

Wendell visits Sophie's house for the weekend. He proceeds to torment Sophie and break all the house rules. Sophie and her parents can't wait until Wendell leaves. Sophie finally tames him by asserting herself. 4-8.

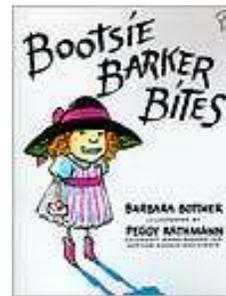


Chester's Way

by Kevin Henkes

Chester and his best friend Wilson do everything together. When Lilly moves into the neighborhood, she has her own way of doing things and it isn't Chester's way. The boys avoid

Lilly even though she tried to become their friend. When Chester and Wilson find themselves surrounded by bullies, Lilly frightens them away with her nifty disguise. 4-8



Bootsie Barker Bites

by Barbara Bottner and Peggy Rathman

Bootsie does bite and she kicks and is a deliciously mean bully. Our narrator is told by her mother that she must learn to get along with other

children and she means Bootsie. There's a standard comeuppance at the end but the book makes a good start on the care and handling of bullies. 4-8.



Doodle Bites

By Polly Dunbar

Doodle wakes up feeling bitey. After she crunches and munches the house, she spies something very good to bite. Unfortunately her friend Tumpy doesn't agree. All their friends must

pitch in to help make it better. One of the best books we've found to help explain what happens when friends hurt each other. Ages: 2-5.



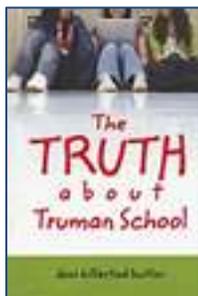
If Peace Is

by Jane Baskwill & Stephanie Carter

What is Peace? For each of us it is something different. In these difficult times of world unrest, the

simple, inspiring verse and joyful jewel-like illustrations put the abstract idea of peace in perspective for children. 3-5.

Fiction – Middle grade



[The Truth About the Truman School](#)

by **Dori Hillestad Butler**

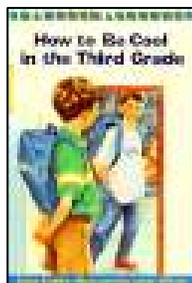
The website is supposed to be an uncensored alternative to the middle school newspaper—but when someone uses it to accuse a popular girl of being lesbian, it quickly gets out of control. Gr. 6-8, 170p.



[Dog Sense](#)

by **Sneed B. Collard**

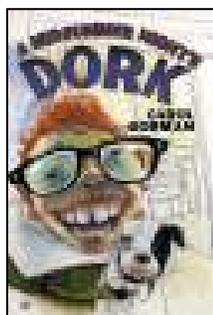
There are many things that are hard on Guy when he moves from California to Montana, but the hardest is being picked on by bully Brad Mullen. His dog Streak, his new friend Luke, and their training Streak to enter the Frisbee-catching competition give Guy the strength to stand up to Brad. Gr. 5-8



[How to Be Cool in the Third Grade](#)

by **Betsy Duffey**

Robbie wants to be cool, but that will mean that he will have to stand up to his mother and to the class bully. Gr. 2-4.



[A Midsummer Night's Dork](#)

by **Carol Gorman**

Jerry takes on two bullies while learning from Zoey that he is “cool” because he doesn’t try to be somebody he’s not in order to impress people. Gr. 4-6.



[Amelia's Bully Survival Guide](#) by **Marissa Moss**

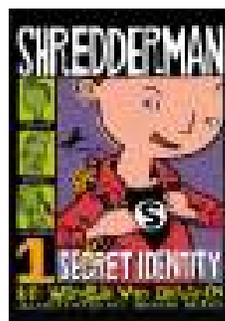
Dealing with an emergency at space camp gives Amelia the courage to stand up to Hilary who has been bullying her throughout fifth grade. Gr. 3-5.



[Bystander](#)

by **James Preller**

Griffin is cool, confident and popular—the sort of guy you want as your friend when you’re new in school—but as Eric is drawn deeper into Griffin’s world, he realizes that Griffin is a bully, and that if he stands up to Griffin, he may become the next target. Gr. 7-8. 226p.



[Secret Identity](#)

by **Wendelin Van Draanen**

Tired of being bullied, Nolan develops a secret identity as Shredderman, launching an online forum that chronicles the bully’s transgressions. Gr. 3-6.



[Act I, Act II, Act Normal](#)

by **Martha Weston**

Bully Daniel picks on Topher when he gets the lead role in the school musical, *Rumpelstiltskin*. Gr. 6-8.



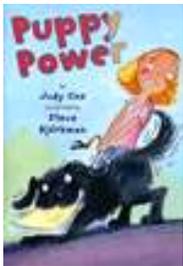
Jake Drake, Bully Buster
by Andrew Clements

A fourth-grader looks back at his early experiences as a "bully magnet."
Gr. 2-4.



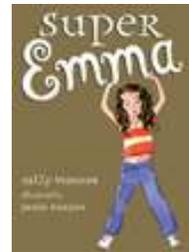
Joshua T. Bates Takes Charge
by Susan Shreve

Should Joshua disclose who is bullying the new kid in fifth grade?
Gr. 3-6.



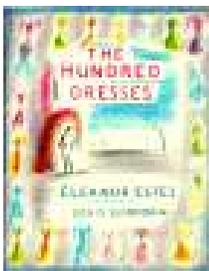
Puppy Power
by Judy Cox

Fran knows she's best at everything, so who cares if no one will play with her? But is she really a bully? And if she is, can she change?
Gr. 2-4, 91p.



Super Emma
by Sally Warner

Emma stands up to the boy bullying her friend, but what will she do when the bully comes after her?
Gr. 2-4, 90p.



The Hundred Dresses
by Eleanor Estes

Wanda is teased mercilessly when she claims to have a hundred silk and velvet dresses at home, though she wears the same faded dress to school every day. Gr. 2-6.



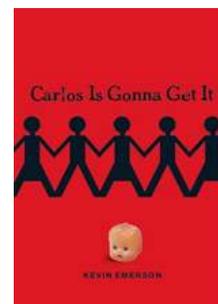
The Revealers
by Doug Wilhelm

When students start an email forum to collect statements from students who have been bullied, things begin to improve.
Gr. 5-8.



Dexter the Tough
by Margaret Peterson Haddix

There are lots of things going wrong in Dexter's life, which lead him to hit another child. Does that make him a bully?
Gr. 3-5, 141p.



Carlos Is Gonna Get It
by Kevin Emerson

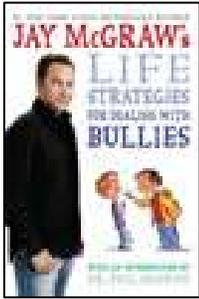
Told from the point of view of seventh grader, Trina and her friends who have had it with Carlos' acting out in class. Now they've hatched a plan to teach him a lesson -- but Trina's having second thoughts. Paints a realistic picture of the bullying and interpersonal dramas of middle school. Grades 5-8.



Surviving Brick Johnson
by Laurie Myers

Alex is sure Brick is out to get him, but as he gets to know Brick, he has to accept that *he* may have caused the problem.
Gr. 2-5.

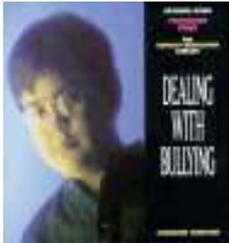
Nonfiction for Kids



[Jay McGraw's Life Strategies for Dealing with Bullies](#)

by Jay McGraw

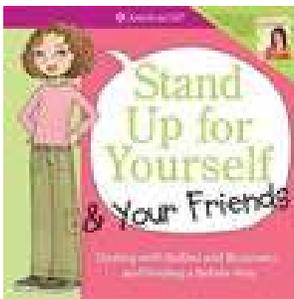
McGraw presents a thorough look at different kinds of bullying, including cyberbullying, and what kids, parents, and other adults can do to stop it. He includes journal exercises and a chapter entitled “Are You a Bully?” Gr. 7-8, 170p.



[Dealing With Bullying](#)

by Marianne Johnston

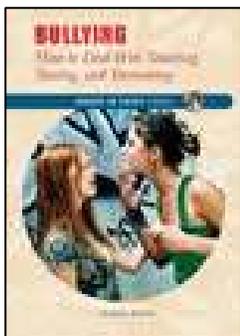
What makes a bully a bully?
Gr. K-3.



[Stand Up for Yourself & Your Friends](#)

by Patti Criswell

Suggestions on dealing with bullies and bossy people. Put out by American Girl, it is aimed at girls, and includes several mini quizzes. Gr. 4-8, 59p.



[Bullying: How to Deal with Taunting, Teasing, and Tormenting](#)

by Kathleen Winkler

Looks at why some kids bully and why others take it, with lots of quotes from bullies and victims. It includes information on the differences between boys and girls who bully, and a chapter on school prevention.



[How to Handle Bullies, Teasers, and Other Meanies](#)

by Kate Cohen-Posey

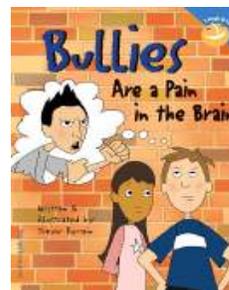
Several suggestions on how to deal with bullies and teasers, including taking insults as compliments, asking questions, and agreeing with the bully. Gr. 4-6.



[Mean Behind the Screen](#)

by Toney Allman

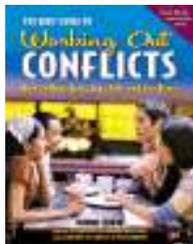
Focusing exclusively on **cyberbullying**—using text messaging, instant messaging, e-mail, or postings on the computer—the author encourages those who are being cyberbullied; however, much of the book is aimed at those doing the bullying, including those who are going along with it, discussing possible consequences, and getting them to think about what they are doing. Gr. 7-8. 48p.



[Bullies Are a Pain in the Brain](#)

by Trevor Romain

A straightforward but humorous look at bullies with a number of suggestions on how to deal with them. It includes suggestions for parents on helping their children. Gr. 3-7.



[The Kids' Guide to Working Out Conflicts: How to Keep Cool, Stay Safe, and Get Along](#)

by Naomi Drew

Taking a broad approach to conflict resolution, this book includes a chapter on bullying that discusses the difference between teasing and bullying.



[Good-Bye Bully Machine](#) by **Debbie Fox and Allan L. Beane**

Imagine bullying as a cold, mean, dangerous machine, making those affected by it worried and lonely. What makes the bully machine grow? What stops it? Gr. 3-5, 38p.



[School Survival: A Guide to Taking Control of Your Life](#) by **Kate Tym**

Discusses many problems that arise in junior high and high school, including cliques and bullying, with a double page spread on the issue. In addition, there are three case studies, with professional analysis, and how the cases were resolved. Gr. 7-8.

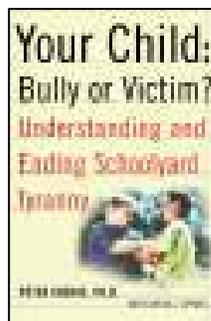
Non-Fiction For Adults



[Bullies and Victims: Helping Your Child Survive the Schoolyard Battlefield](#)

by Paula Fried

General information about bullies and their victims, including various types of bullying. Also contains chapters on empowering children and discussing strategies for adult intervention, as well as information about programs that have worked in schools.



[Your Child, Bully or Victim? Understanding and Ending Schoolyard Tyranny](#)

by Peter Sheras

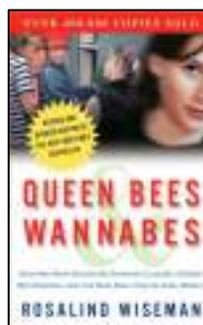
Discusses myths about bullies and bullying and various types of bullying. Gives suggestions on ways to respond to a bully and how to empower children to stand up to bullies.

[The Bully, the Bullied, and the Bystander: From Preschool to High School – How Parents and Teachers Can Help Break the Cycle of Violence](#)



by Barbara Coloroso

She discusses not only the bully and the victim, but also bystanders, looking at how and why each has assumed their roles, and what can be done to change them. Includes suggestions on how to tell if your child is a bully or is being bullied and the difference between teasing and taunting.



[Queen Bees and Wannabes: Helping Your Daughter Survive Cliques, Gossip, Boyfriends, and the New Realities of Girl World](#)

By Rosalind Wiseman

The most important and groundbreaking book about girl-on-girl dynamics. Fully revised and updated. A very important book for all parents of adolescent girls that covers all aspects of the hidden world of girl interactions, where bullying can often be deeply underground but no less devastating.