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CYBERBULLY

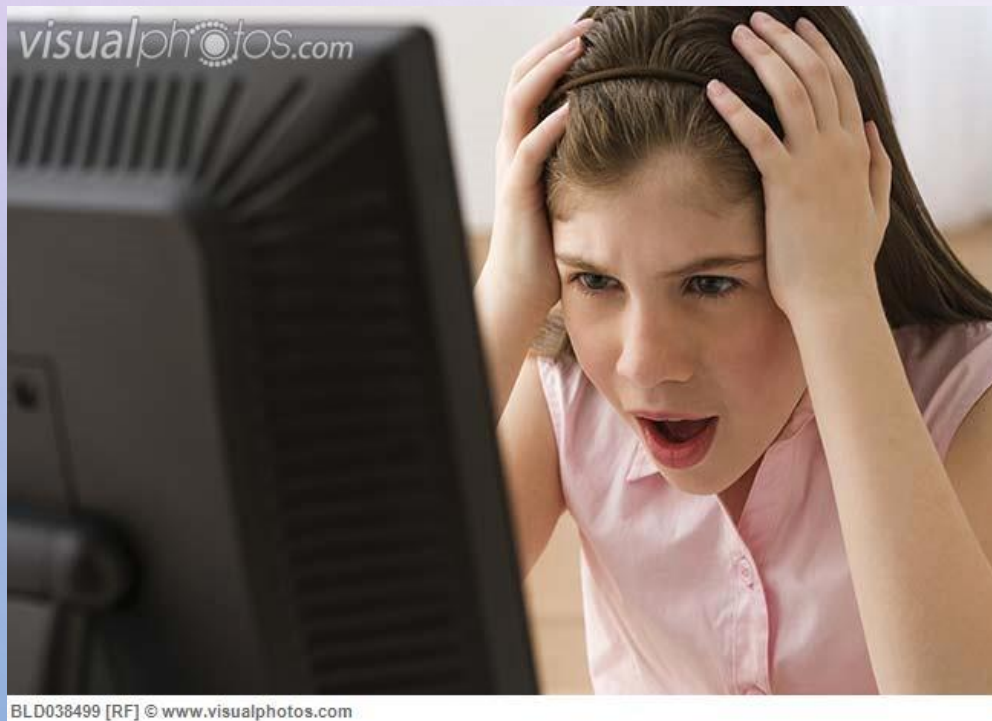
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CINDERELLA AND THE WICKED CYBER SISTERS

ONCE UPON A TIME THERE LIVED A GIRL NAMED CINDERELLA. SHE WAS UNIQUE BUT VERY SHY. WHEN IT CAME TO SOCIAL MEDIA SHE PUT HERSELF OUT THERE. ONE OF HER FAVORITE THINGS TO DO WAS MAKE UP DANCES AND UPLOAD THEM TO THE INTERNET.



- ONE DAY, WHILE CINDERELLA WAS LOOKING AT HER VIDEOS, SHE NOTICED TWO PEOPLE HAD LEFT MEAN COMMENTS SAYING SHE WAS A BAD DANCER AND THAT SHE WASN'T FLEXIBLE. SHE THOUGHT THIS WAS CYBER BULLYING. SO SHE WENT TO HER TEACHER TO ASK WHAT IT WAS. HER TEACHER AGREED THAT IT WAS CYBER BULLYING, WHICH IS HARASSMENT TOWARDS SOMEONE OVER THE INTERNET.



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CINDERELLA LOOKED UP SOME INFORMATION ABOUT CYBER BULLYING AND FOUND SOME INTERESTING STATISTICS.

58% OF KIDS FEEL THAT THEY HAVE BEEN HURT OR HEARD MEAN THINGS TO OR ABOUT THEM ONLINE.

53% OF THESE KIDS CONFESSED TO HAVING SAID SOMETHING HURTFUL TO OTHER KIDS ONLINE.

42% OF KIDS HAVE BEEN BULLIED IN SOME WAY WHILE ONLINE.



THE NEXT THING CINDERELLA LOOKED UP WAS HOW TO STOP CYBER BULLYING.

SO WHEN SHE LOOKED UP HOW TO STOP IT, SHE FOUND THAT YOU CAN USE SOMETHING CALLED NETIQUETTE. NETIQUETTE IS USING GOOD MANNERS ONLINE. JUST LIKE WE USE GOOD MANNERS IN PERSON, WE ARE MEANT TO USE GOOD MANNERS ONLINE. PEOPLE CAN SAY WHAT THEY WANT TO SAY ONLINE IN POLITE WAYS MAKING SURE THEY DO NOT HURT ANOTHER PERSON'S FEELINGS. THEY CAN BE SURE THEIR WORDS ARE CLEAR, THAT THEY HAVEN'T LEFT ANYTHING OUT AND USE PRIVACY SETTINGS WHEN NECESSARY. KIDS MUST ALSO KEEP IN MIND THAT ANYTHING THEY SEND TO ANOTHER PERSON CAN BE SHARED ONLINE.



- THE LAST THING CINDERELLA LOOKED UP WAS WHY CYBER BULLYING IS WRONG AND WHAT THE EFFECTS HAVE BEEN. SINCE CYBER BULLYING CAN BE DONE INSIDE OR OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL, IT CAN MAKE KIDS FEEL BADLY ABOUT THEMSELVES. THIS CAN LEAD TO DEPRESSION, LOW SELF ESTEEM AND POSSIBLY SUICIDE.

