

Civilization Test

Name _____ Class _____ Date _____

Read the story of Sandra below. Then answer the questions.

Sandra is planning a birthday party. Her parents have set a limit of 15 children, so she can't invite everyone she'd like to. Two children who were not invited - Jack and Maya - overhear the plans. They decide to spread mean rumours about Sandra using an anonymous messaging app. They write things like:

"Sandra is so not cool not sure why anyone would go to her filthy house."

"I heard Sandra is having fruit instead of cake. Yuk!"

"Sandra is totally boring and I don't know why anyone would go to her party."

They encourage the students who were invited to the party to add reasons to why Sandra "isn't cool" and tell them not to go to her party.

When Sandra logs onto the app and sees the messages, her stomach sinks. She feels hurt and embarrassed and doesn't know who's posting the messages. She tells her parents she's sick, so she won't have to go to school the next day. She even thinks about cancelling her party.

1. Is this an example of cyberbullying? Why?

2. Can you complete all the sections of this chart?

| Target | Bully | Bystanders | Upstanders |
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3. Why do you think Jack and Maya acted the way they did?

4. What makes Sandra's experience of cyberbullying different from face-to-face bullying?
- a) It is easier to handle because Sandra can just ignore the mean comments.
 - b) It is more difficult to handle because she and others on the internet can see the comments, but she doesn't know who's posting them.
 - c) It is less hurtful because Sandra doesn't know who is being mean.

5. If you were Sandra, what would you do to try to stop the cyberbullying?

6. If you were one of Sandra's friends, how could you be an upstander in the situation?

7. Give the definition of empathy.

8. Give a definition of cyberbullying
