

Italian students have done this ranking as the most frequent forms of "bullying":

- Mockery 78%
- Taunt 51%
- poking, provocation 51%
- Insult 44%
- Isolation 33%
- Ridicule 33%
- Abasement 32%
- Verbal violence 32%
- Hostile gestures 31%
- Beating 14%
- Blackmail 13%
- Physical violence 11%
- Peer pressure to do humiliating things 9%
- Torment 6%

The percentages are quite coincident in both sexes.



To the question: «Do you feel lonely, rejected, not accepted by your colleagues at school?», the students answered:

NO 60 %		RATHER NOT 11%		SOMETIMES 18 %		RATHER YES 8%		YES 3 %	
F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M
58%	62%	9%	12.5%	21%	16%	8%	8%	4%	1.5%

The majority does not feel isolated. Among students who feel isolated, the most are female.



PRIMARY SCHOOL

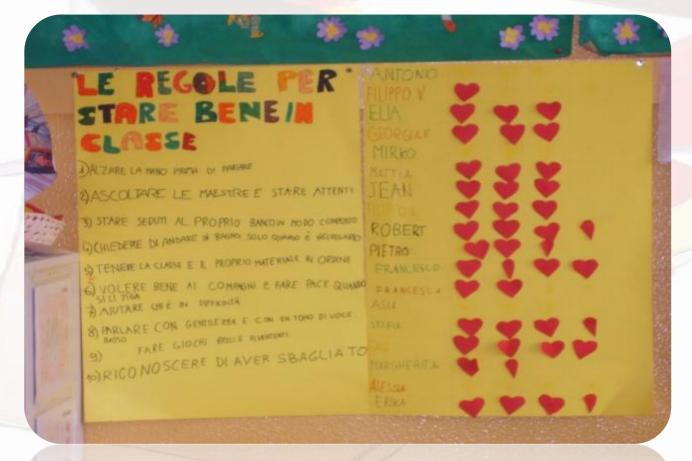
Teachers of the first and second classes of Primary School, starting from real problems, worked on the tails: "The monkey Fiammetta" and "The Gnome Zirgulò" (taken from the book "Who finds a fairy tale, finds a treasure").

"The monkey Fiammetta"

Fiammetta's story is common to many children: she is a lively but disobedient monkey, sometimes a bit rude and therefore dismissed by some schoolmates. Parents and teachers are sad and worried for her and don't know how to help her. They decide to give a time to Fiammetta to reflect on her actions: she can decide to follow the road traveled so far, that would take her to be alone, or to undertake a new one, along with the people who love her the most.



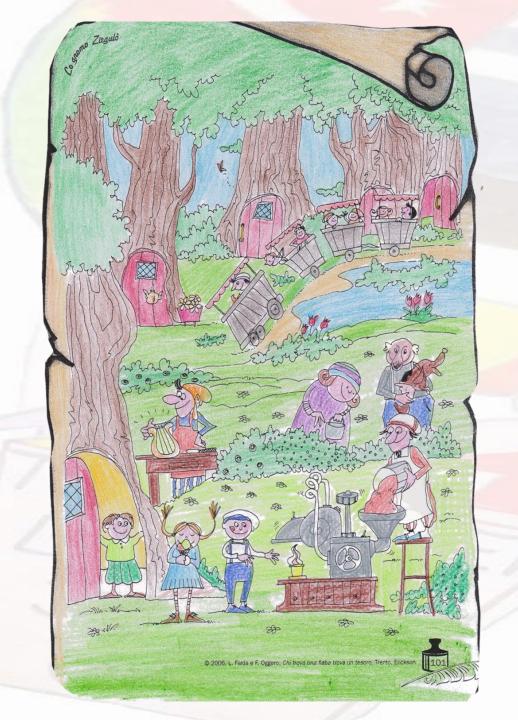
In order to help some students with similar problems to overcome this difficulty, teachers have designed a route that involved all schoolmates: children established together some rules to "be comfortable in the classroom", creating a poster.





Rules to be comfortable in the classroom:

- 1) Raise your hand before speaking
- 2) Listen to the teachers and pay attention
- 3) Sitting sedately at their desks
- 4) Ask to go to the toilet only when necessary
- 5) Keep the class and material tidy
- 6) Get along with schoolmates and make peace when you fight
- 7) Help schoolmates in need
- 8) Speak with kindness and with a low voice
- 9) Play good games and have fun
- 10) Admit your own mistakes



"The Gnome Zirgulò"

The gnome was a bully. The children listened to the story, then answered any questions about the tale and they explained their fears and the fears of the characters.

At the end the class invented a system for winning its fears like the characters of the tale did. The inventions built a new country, Bebusia.

The children painted the new country and they realized so it was good.

The teaching of the history is: don't worry, don't be angry, we can win our fears together, there is a solution for every problem, we can build something beautiful together.

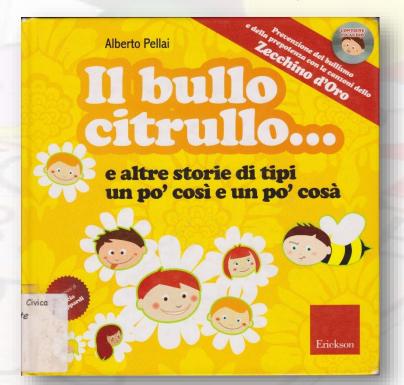


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Our students of 4th classes have read the text:

"Il bullo citrullo e altre storie di tipi un po' così e così"

(The blockhead bully and other stories of guys a bit so and so)



The book "The blockhead bully " tells the story of Rodolfo, the little but courageous protagonist who finds the strength to rebel against teasing and bullying by Gianvittorio, an aggressive schoolmate. Thanks to the intervention of Rodolfo, Gianvittorio understands that his behavior is wrong and improving it he can be accepted by his schoolmates.







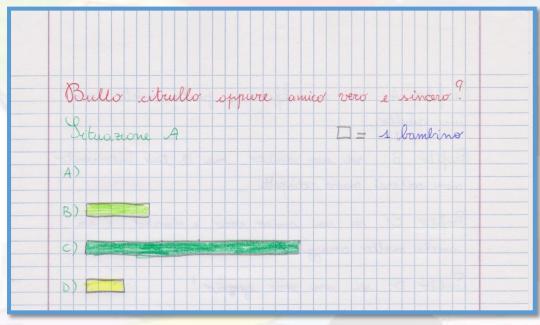


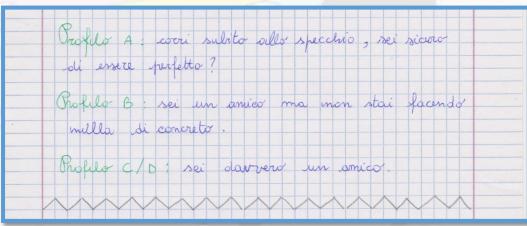






They also discussed about the topic "bullying", starting from a test:





Bully or true friend?

Situation A:

Today, for the first time, Paola went to school with the braces on her teeth. When Peter sees her, laughs and begins to call it "cage teeth". What do you do?

A: You laugh

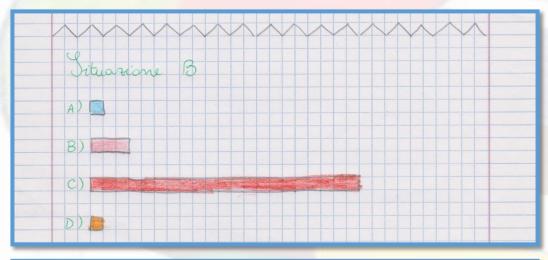
B: you think that Peter should stop teasing Paola and should learn to mind his own business

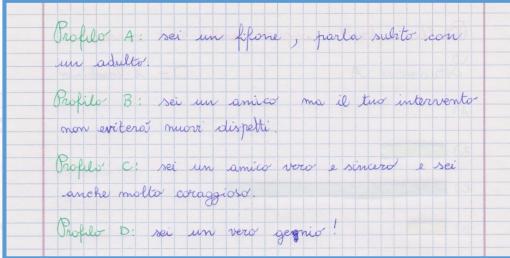
C: You stop Peter and tell him to stop immediately

D: You think Peter is wrong, but you're afraid to intervene because he could tease you, too. Then you ask the teacher to do something

Profile A: run immediately to the mirror, are you sure to be perfect? Profile B: you're a friend, but you're not doing anything concrete Profile C/D: you're really a friend.







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Situation B:

Michele is the shortest child of the class. Tiziano jokes and calls him flea. Michele is ashamed and goes out of the classroom. The teacher doesn't know it. What do you decide to do?

A: You do nothing because you're afraid of Tiziano

B: Michael is ashamed and goes out of the classroom. You offer him half of your snack

C: you tell to Tiziano to stop and that, if he continues, you will tell the teacher

D: you give schoolmates and teachers a rhyme against the bully and ask them to memorize it

Profile A: you are a coward. Tell an adult immediately.

Profile B: you're a friend, but your act will not prevent other teasing

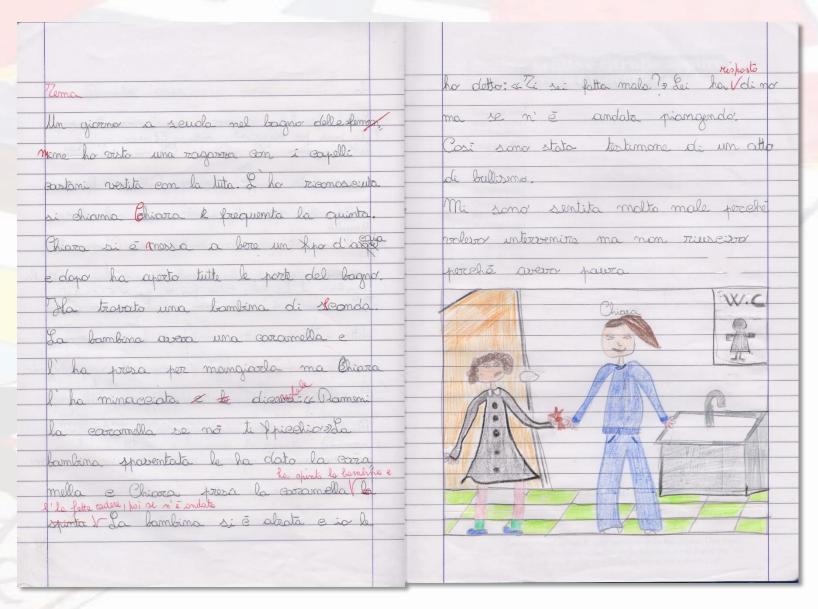
Profile C: you are a true and honest friend and you are also very brave

D: you are a true genius!



The children told their experiences by writing a composition about the following subject:

"In class, someone bullies, but there is also someone who is the victim, someone who does not care and some other who intervenes to help his schoolmates in distress. Tell about an episode in which you behaved like a bully, or you felt like a victim, or you just witnessed an injustice".



14 Dicembre 2015 ora molto bugiardo quindi i ragazzi aversano alami motivi per prenderlo in giro. Edocuelo mi Questo bombino es un po simpatíbico e non volevo in dasse c'è chi fa il bullo, ma c'è anche chi fa la vittimo, chi non fa nella, e chi invoce che la predessera in gira. Quei ragazzi examo mici amici e tra questideralmio interviene reraintage un compagno in difficoltà, Proconta un episodio in cui ti sei comportato fratella quindi non avera paura di lora, so come un bello, ti sei sentito vittima, o sempli-Sono andata li e ho difeso il mio amico, loro cemente sei stato testimone di un sottruso. dopo alcuni secondi se ne sono andati via Net campo estivo dose vado io ci sono ragaze homno lasciato stare il mio compagno. si di tutte le da dai angul anni ai quattordian So sono stata testimone di un atto di bullismo. Tre raggissi di tersa media continuarono a scherezare e minacciare un bambino di sette anni; Questo bambino o un po paffutello edan

Then, pupils also invented rhymes about how to defeat bullies and they sang them like a rap.

"If you believe I fear your thread
That when you come you smash my face
Be aware, don't even try
Because I can find friends
They will defend me "with their nails and their theeth"
Because to help me makes them happy ..."



Eventually pupils learned and sang the «Bullo citrullo (silly bully) song»

« He believes himself perfect, but the bully is silly, if he were in Florence he would be "grullo" too, he would live in a more beautiful world, if he used with the heart the brain too! He believes himself perfect, but the bully is silly, he is a chicken that believes to be a rooster, defeat the bully you can now too, join the choir and sing with us!»



At the end of the work, the pupils came to these conclusions and wrote these

Rules anti-bully:

- 1) Don't react to provocations of a bully. Don't answer and go away to seek help from an adult.
- 2) If you are victim or witness an act of bullying, ask help or inform an adult: this doesn't mean to spy, but to protect and help those in need!
- 3) If you are the victim of a bully, try to always have a friend beside you help.



SECONDARY SCHOOL

The activity was carried out by Italian and Religion teachers and by two third classes. During the first part the teachers proposed the kids a brain storming about the bullying word and they invited them to write their thinking on the blackboard.

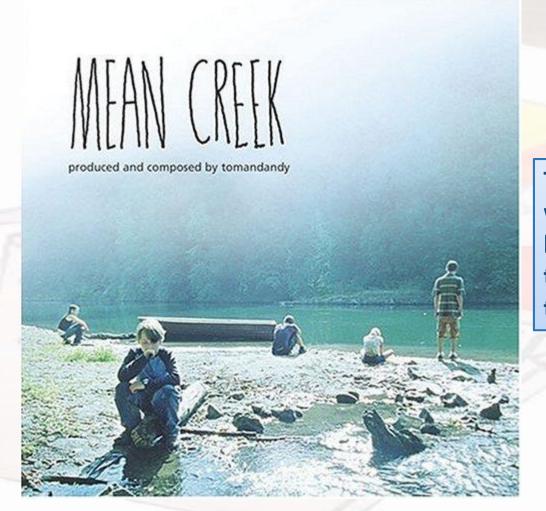


In this way several types of bullying victims revealed feelings and questions of the kids about this reality.





During the following days the class watched the film "Mean Creek" and then the kids discussed and compiled in pairs a card of understanding and reflection. Pupils observed the attitudes of the characters during an act of bullying and their causes.



The film is about a group of teenagers and young adults who devise a plan to humiliate an overweight, troubled bully on a boating trip. When their plan goes too far, they have to deal with the unexpected consequences of their actions.



The class discussed how to deal with a situation of bullying, within themselves (self-esteem, awareness of their qualites...) and out of themselves (adult help). The kids presented their work to their parents during the open day of the school.







AHIMSA

Ahimsa is a voluntary association for the protection against all forms of violence and infringement of civil rights

PURPOSE: to welcome, listen and give first aid to the victims of violence and any kind of injury or victims of civil rights' violations.

ACTIVITY: listening to telephone conversations, giving direct appointments to support to the victims of violence with legal and psychological means, promoting awareness and prevention with conferences, seminars and insights for citizenship, in particular within schools and through collaborations with other associations in the area.





The project, for students in fifth and sixth grade, consists of:

- Meetings with students with lawyers, psychologists, etc...
- Meeting with parents to present the project





Our agency Ministry of Education has set up a website with useful material for teachers on the topic of bullying: http://www.smontailbullo.it/webi/





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