A huge number of bullied senior highers never tell anyone about the abuse they're experiencing. Overall, one in six students (16%) are bullied at school, and almost one out of 10 kids (7 %) admits to being a bully. One in seven young people (14 %) say they're "often" afraid of beging bullied.

According researchers with Clemson University, kids report a steady decrease of bullying from 3rd grade to 12th grade. The landscape of bullying looks like this:

- · Boys bully boys; girls bully girls.
- · The most common forms of bullying are verbal (experienced by 16% of girls and 17% of boys) and rumor spreading (15% of girls and 11% of boys).
- The least common acts of bullying include damage to property and cyberbullying (both in the 5% range for guys and girls).
- More than half of bullied students (51%) have been living with the abuse for at least six months

## 30% of girls 51% of boys

never tell anyone about being bullied.



SC. Identify the Bullying

## Teasing

When teasing becomes hurtful, unkind, and constant, it crosses the line into bullying.

## Intentional

Bullying takes many forms-physical, verbal, and psychological. It can range from hitting, shoving, name-calling, threats, mocking, and even extortion.

## Rumors

Some students bully by shunning others and spreading rumors about them. Others use social media or texting to taunt or hurt others.