

Good-Bye Bully Machine Book (picture book)¹

- Overview of the book

- Describing bullying as a bullying machine, the book tells the readers that a bully's actions², the non-actions of bystanders³, and the self-contempt and self-reproach of the victim feed the machine to grow larger and more imposing.
- The book encourages everyone to ally with each other and confront the bully machine even if they are not able to do so individually.

- 1) A card game of the same title used to be sold, but only a picture book is available now.
- 2) Instead of criticizing a bully for having bullying attributes, the book shows that bullying is a result of poor interpersonal (i.e. communication) skills and that a bully's behavior can change.
- 3) The book shows that non-actions by bystanders can be the same as taking part in the bullying and are mean behaviors that help the bully machine grow. Sometimes inactive bystanders do not want to be mean, but they do not know what to say or might be scared to act.

Product Information

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