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Part of the Problem or the Solution

Read each situation, and discuss the following in pairs.

- Level of bystander involvement
- Level of seriousness
- Actions that could be taken to be part of the solution

Record your answers.

Situation 1	You receive a text message informing you that another student in your grade is going to be beaten up at lunchtime by a group of students who has been bullying the student all year.			
Response	You decide to run out at lunchtime to watch.			
Contributor	Witness		Helper	
Not involved	Part of the problem		Part of the solution	
What could you do to be part of the solution?				
Not serious 1	A little serious 2	Serious 3	Very serious 4	Extremely serious 5

Situation 2	You overhear an older student on the bus threaten another student to make the student hand over his iPod.			
Response	You say nothing because you don't want to get involved.			
Contributor	Witness		Helper	
Not involved	Part of the problem		Part of the solution	
What could you do to be part of the solution?				
Not serious 1	A little serious 2	Serious 3	Very serious 4	Extremely serious 5

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Situation 3	You see a student being teased by some other students. They are always saying things about the person's hair and appearance and then laughing together about it.			
Response	You think the comments are funny and stop and laugh too.			
Contributor		Witness		Helper
Not involved		Part of the problem		Part of the solution
What could you do to be part of the solution?				
Not serious 1	A little serious 2	Serious 3	Very serious 4	Extremely serious 5

Situation 4	Your friend is jealous of another student and starts a nasty and untrue rumor about her. Your friend asks you to tell everyone even though it is not true and is very hurtful.			
Response	You are worried that you will lose your friendship, so you spread the rumor to a few other people.			
Contributor		Witness		Helper
Not involved		Part of the problem		Part of the solution
What could you do to be part of the solution?				
Not serious 1	A little serious 2	Serious 3	Very serious 4	Extremely serious 5

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Please create two situation and response scenarios of your own in the spaces below.

Situation 5				
Response				
Contributor	Witness	Helper		
Not involved	Part of the problem	Part of the solution		
What could you do to be part of the solution?				
Not serious 1	A little serious 2	Serious 3	Very serious 4	Extremely serious 5

Situation 6				
Response				
Contributor	Witness	Helper		
Not involved	Part of the problem	Part of the solution		
What could you do to be part of the solution?				
Not serious 1	A little serious 2	Serious 3	Very serious 4	Extremely serious 5