

## **Cyber Bullying Incident - Role Play**

**BACKGROUND:** The incident happened as follows:

Yesterday **Jo Thomas** (*a student from the school*), noticed that other students were laughing and making comments about his/her Facebook page whenever he/she went past them. When Jo got home, he/she went on Facebook and found a group called the '**Jo Thomas Sucks**'. The page had 32 friends most of whom were students he/she knew from school and also had lots of offensive comments about his/her family, friends and looks.

Not knowing what to do he/she told his/her **teacher (Mr/Mrs Jones)**, who has now discovered the site was set up by **Chris Evans**, another student at the school.

With Jo's agreement, the teacher has asked you (as an **RP trained teacher colleague**) to deal with this problem by **facilitating** a restorative meeting. You have spoken to Chris who says it was only ever meant as a joke, but has really got out of hand. He/she didn't mean to hurt anyone and is willing to take part in the meeting.

Participants (*Use your own gender for the role*):

**Wrongdoer: Chris Evans**

**Teacher: Mr/Mrs Jones**

**Harmed person: Jo Thomas**

**Facilitated by a teacher colleague.**

**Please do not exaggerate your role and make it difficult for the facilitator to conduct the role play informal restorative meeting. Most real restorative meetings run fairly smoothly without extreme behaviours.**

**Jo THOMAS**  
(Student)

Harmed Person

**Mr/Ms JONES**  
(Teacher)

Harmed Person

**Chris EVANS**  
(Student)

Wrongdoer

**FACILITATOR**  
  
(Colleague)

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