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An Approach to  
**Bullying**  
Unit One  
*The Green Wind*  
Thurley Fowler



***The Green Wind***

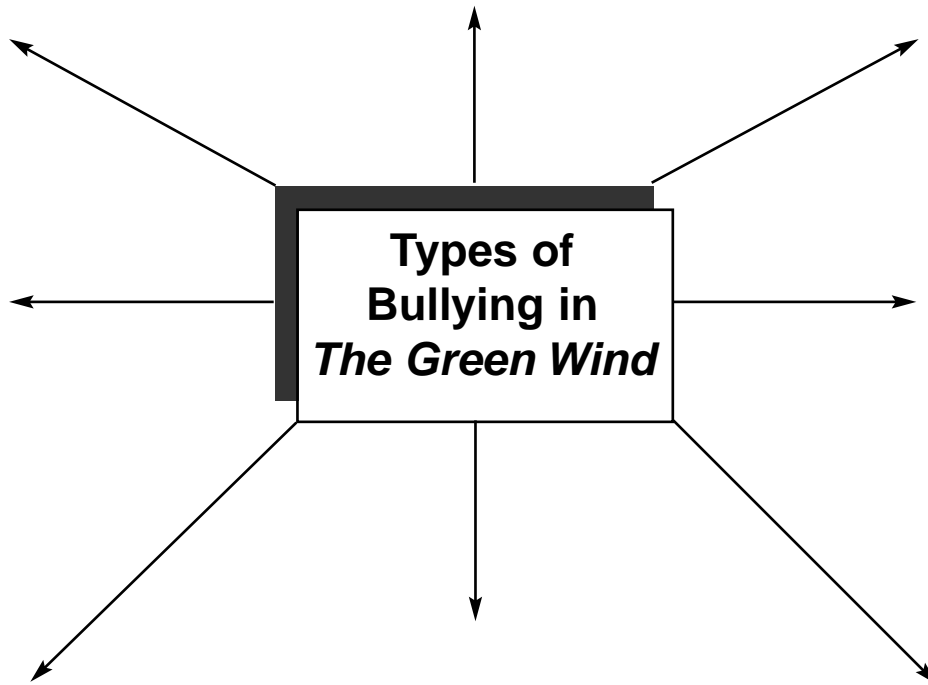
Jennifer is in Grade 6. She has never had a real friend. Her goals in life are to write and to one day have a best friend. Jennifer has a love of language and is very aware of the power of words to wound others and protect herself. It is this love that makes her a wonderful writer and a very lonely girl.

Jennifer's prayers are seemingly answered when her teacher asks her to look after the new student in their class, Beverley Martin. Jennifer promises herself that she will keep this friend by keeping her smart remarks to herself. Jennifer knows that is why the kids at school don't want to play with her or be a real friend. She bullies people. She knows how she treats others is unkind, but she doesn't consider herself a bully.

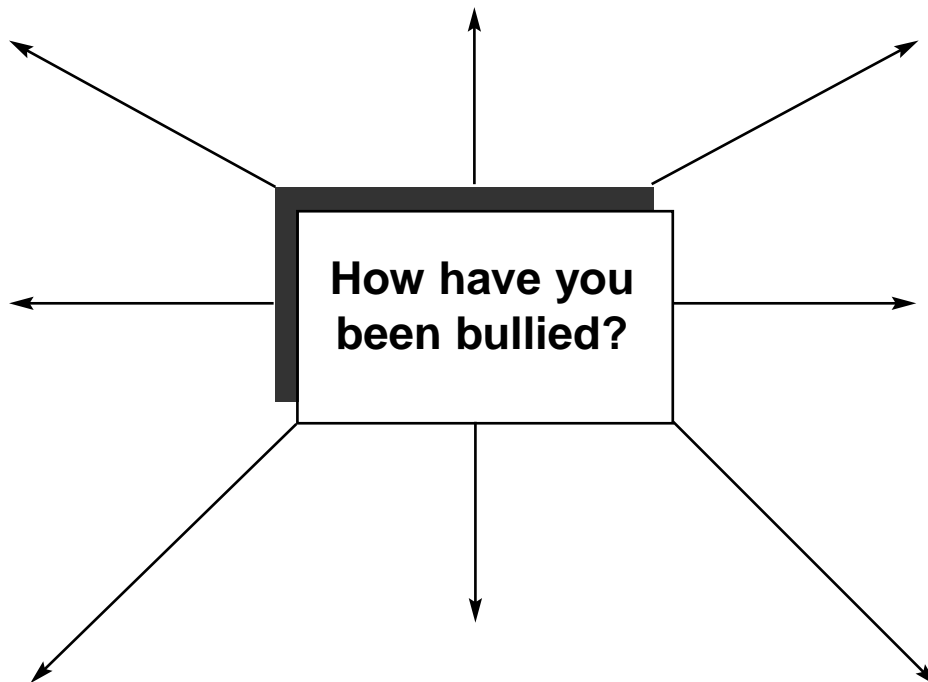
Linda Grey is also in Jennifer's class. They give each other a hard time. She also bullies people. Linda bullies in a very different way to Jennifer. They bully for different reasons. Beverley finds herself caught in a power struggle where the winner gets the friend.

# Exploring Types of Bullying

Although Jennifer bullied friends and family, she seemed unaware that her behaviour would be a type of 'bullying.' Several characters in this story bullied at different times. Complete this map by filling in types of bullying you noticed in the story *The Green Wind*.



Now compare what you have read about in *The Green Wind* to ways that people have bullied you.



Have you ever bullied someone else? Make a list of ways that you have bullied others.

# Exploring Types of Bullying *(cont.)*

<b>Create a list of bullying methods that you noticed in the story <i>The Green Wind</i>.</b>	<b>Create a list of methods of bullying that people have used on you.</b>	<b>Create a list of bullying methods that you have used on others.</b>

**List the bullying methods that appeared in each of these columns. Why do you think these methods are so common?**

# Exploring Types of Bullying *(cont.)*

Many people are confused about what behaviours are types of bullying. Jennifer used smart remarks. Because of this, she found it difficult to make friends. Her loneliness made her say hurtful things even more. This is called a cycle.

Like Jennifer, many children don't consider teasing to be a type of bullying. Use your knowledge of the story *The Green Wind* and your own personal experiences to assist you with this activity.

Choose one of the characters in the story. You are to write an argument from that character's point of view. An argument contains only one point of view and it needs to be defended by presenting different facts or statements that support the argument. You can either agree or disagree.

Which character's point of view have you chosen to present?

**Teasing is a Type of Bullying!**