

Bookee & La La Say

No to the Pressure to Be Stupid!

A little kid's anti-bullying message



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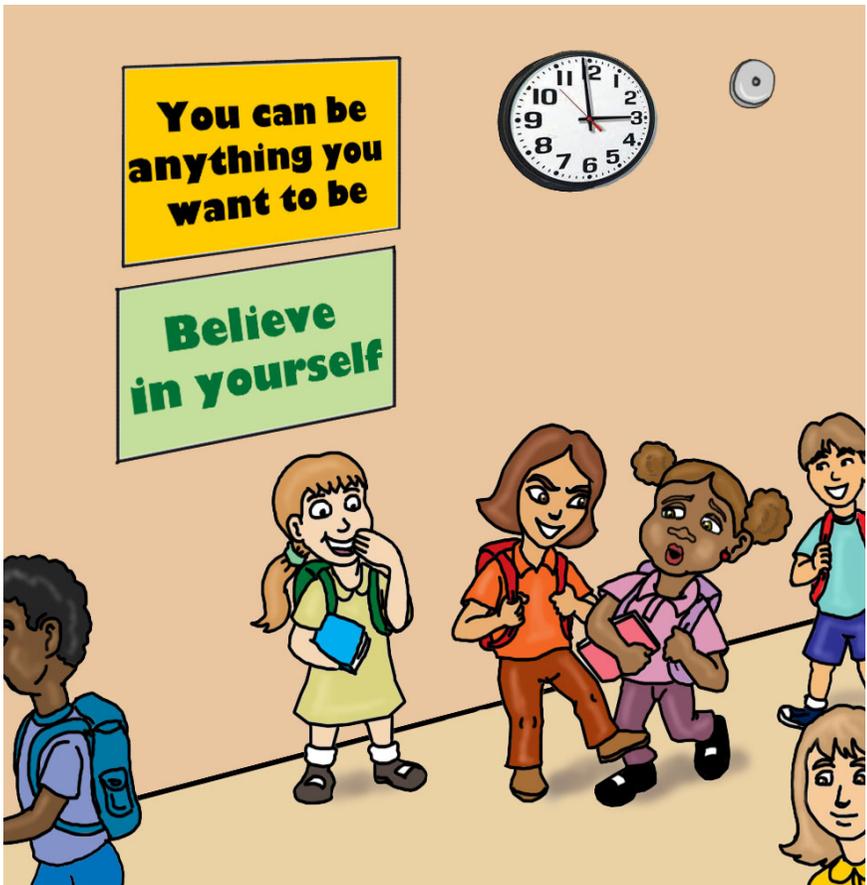


Hi Bookee. I am a little sad today.
Why La La? Did something happen
in school today?



Yes, there was a girl in school that started laughing at me when I raised my hand to ask the teacher a question. She said that I am always asking questions and that I am just a “know it all.”

Later that day, Ashaquana tried to trip me in the hallway and I almost fell down and hurt myself. Several of the students laughed at me and no one tried to help. I felt so all alone.

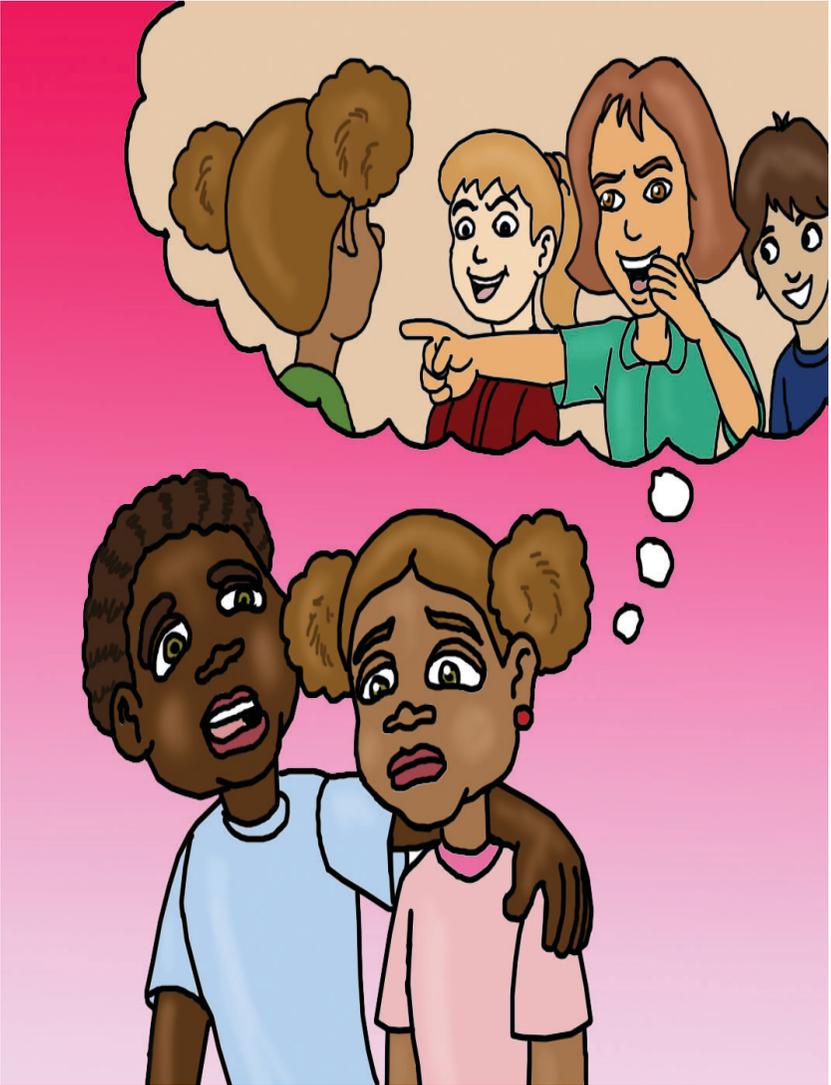


Your big brother is always here to protect you. You are never alone
La La. I love you!





La La, are you feeling better now?



La La, I am sorry that some of your classmates were unkind to you. But don't let the bullies get you down. Fight back by exceling in school.



A few weeks, later...

Hi Bookee, guess what? I received an “A” on my history, math and science tests. Wow La La, I am so proud of you.



But Bookee, when the teacher announced to the class that I received three A's, some of the kids rolled their eyes, snickered and laughed at me.



They call me a “brainyack” and a nerd. There is too much pressure to be stupid. Being smart is just not cool Bookee.



Also, Bookee, the kids at school won't eat lunch with me in the cafeteria. What is wrong with me, Bookee? Why don't they like me?

Nothing is wrong with you La La. Don't give in to the pressure to be stupid. Some of those kids are jealous of you because you are smart and beautiful. Be yourself and you will make friends.





Okay Bookee. I will listen to you and be myself.



Hi Bookee. Meet my new friend Wendy. We have a lot in common and she is smart and beautiful too. Thanks for all of your good advice big brother.

The End.

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