

# What is respect?

Respecting someone means you act in a way that shows you care about their feelings and well-being. You can have respect for others, and for yourself.

For each situation, decide if the person is showing respect. Match each situation in the left column with an answer that makes sense in the right column. Write or type the letter for the correct answer in the box under the number.

1.

You are in a library reading a really funny book. You laugh out loud and yell to your friend that she has to come see what you're reading.

2.

Your parents say you can't go to your friend's house. You are mad, so you tell them you don't agree and would like some time alone.

3.

You really want to fit in with a group of kids at school, so you take a dare to jump out of a really high tree to impress them.

4.

A new girl comes to school and she dresses differently than you. You don't like her outfit, but you keep your opinions to yourself.

5.

Your friend misses the game winning goal. You yell that he's such an idiot for losing the game.

A.

Respectful- Even when we don't agree with someone, we can treat them with respect by talking calmly about the issue instead of calling them names or trying to hurt their feelings.

B.

Respectful- You know sharing your opinion will hurt someone's feelings, so you think before you speak.

C.

Not respectful- When you call someone names, you are not considering their feelings. You can tell someone you are upset without being unkind.

D.

Not respectful- You are not considering the needs of other people who are trying to work and need quiet.

E.

Not respectful- Having respect for yourself is as important as having respect for others. Respecting yourself means you don't do things that you know could hurt your own well-being.