

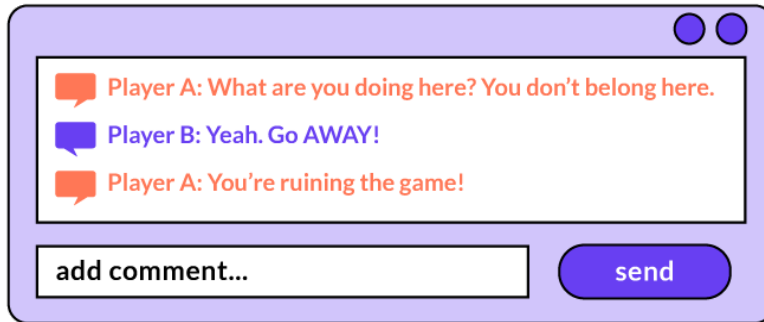
The Words We Choose

NAME _____

Directions

Read the story below and then work with a partner to answer the questions that follow.

Feet loves a website where you can play in a virtual world and chat with other players. Lately, Feet has been playing in a new area. They started receiving some mean messages from the other players.



1. How would you feel if you were Feet reading those messages? *I would feel ...*

I would feel bad. It would make me sad and like I wasn't welcome to play the game anymore.

2. Why do you think people send these kinds of messages to people they don't know? *People send these kinds of messages because ...*

People send these kinds of messages because they're trying to make a joke or because they feel bad about themselves and want to take it out on others.

3. What advice would you give Feet to respond to this situation? Remember S-T-O-P.

- *They could stop playing the game.*
 - *They could tell a parent or another trusted adult.*
 - *They could report the other players to the game.*
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