



THE BIG PICTURE

It's not possible to know absolutely every little thing about someone else. But often times, we think we know who people are based on one thing about them. But how much are you missing? How much could they be hiding inside that no one sees? Should we have empathy for everyone? Is it true that hurt people really hurt people?



Steps:

Imagine an elephant. If you were blindfolded and were touching part of the elephant, what would you think you were touching? What would you think you were touching if you were holding its trunk? It's tusk? It's leg? It's ear? Would you even know you were touching an elephant if you only touched that one part?

What can we learn from that?

Can you think of a time you misunderstood someone because you didn't have all the information? Can you think of a time that someone misunderstood you because he or she didn't know the whole story?

Often when we talk about bullies we say that hurt people hurt people. We don't always know what someone is feeling on the inside, or what is happening in other parts of their life. Being mean to anyone, ANYONE, is not okay, even if they were mean first. If we meet them with kindness, sometimes we can help them to heal their hurt and make a new friend. Always talk to someone when possible and make sure they're okay.