

Advice From The Experts:

Why do kids Cyber-Bully one another?

When it comes to Cyber-Bullying, they are often motivated by anger, revenge or frustration. Some other explanations offered by Cyber-Bullies:

- It's entertaining.
- They were bored and had too much time on their hands.
- They wanted to get a laugh or to get a reaction from the victim.
- Accidental: they either sent a message to the wrong recipient or didn't think before they did something.
- They enjoy tormenting others.
- Defending themselves from traditional bullying.
- To help bolster or remind people of their social standing.
- Some thought they were standing up for others.



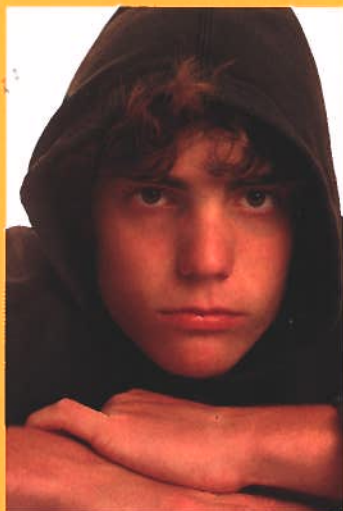
Bullycide is the term used to describe suicides caused by relentless bullying. Cyber-Bullycide would describe someone driven to suicide following a cyber-bullying attack.

How to deal with a Cyber-Bully

What can you do?

How can you stop it?

- First, do not respond to the Cyber-Bully's attacks. Do not reply to e-mails, posts, IM's or text messages. That is what the bully wants.
- Don't delete information related to a Cyber-Bully. The police will use this information to track the culprit.
- Report the Cyber-Bully to the Police and Schools.
- Be aware of what your child is doing on the Internet.



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