

# WHAT DO YOU SAY?

If you see someone being treated unfairly, you probably want to speak up. But sometimes you may not know what to say.

Here's a tip: think ahead about how to respond. If someone says, "Look at those losers," you can say, "Come on, don't be mean!" or "That could really hurt their feelings."

Friends may not realize their words are unkind. You can try being compassionate: "That doesn't sound like you. Are you having a rough day?"

Practicing with your friends can help you stay calm and confident. When you're patient and respectful, you can get your message across without anger. In these three examples, what would you say?



DON'T PICK HIM. HE'LL JUST SLOW US DOWN ON THE COURT.

HAVE YOU SEEN HIM PLAY? HE CAN SHOOT!

OR

EVERYBODY DESERVES A CHANCE TO PLAY. HE'S A NICE GUY, TOO.

WRITE WHAT YOU WOULD SAY:

MY FAITH HELPS ME UNDERSTAND WHAT GOES ON IN THE WORLD AND HOW I CAN BE HELPFUL.

OR

WE'VE GOT TO WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE THINGS BETTER. WANT TO KNOW WHAT MY FAITH SAYS ABOUT PEACE AND JUSTICE?



YOU BELIEVE IN GOD? THAT'S CRAZY. WHAT'S THE POINT, WHEN SO MUCH WAR AND BAD STUFF HAPPENS IN THE WORLD?

WRITE WHAT YOU WOULD SAY:



I DON'T WANT TO SIT THERE. THIS ISN'T THE SECTION WE BELONG IN.

WHY? BECAUSE THEY'RE BLACK AND WE'RE WHITE? COME ON, LET'S MAKE SOME NEW FRIENDS.

OR

THEY LOOK NICE, AND IT'LL BE FUN TO MAKE NEW FRIENDS THIS YEAR.

WRITE WHAT YOU WOULD SAY: