Bullying is a Criminal Problem

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When I was a middle school student, I witnessed a bullying situation, The victim was handicapped and didn't realize people were bullying her.

Bullies bothered her everyday—hitting her, spitting in her face, and kicking her. They just enjoyed bullying her and didn't feel guilty. She couldn't even tell the teacher.

That situation continued for eight months. They tormented her constantly.

When I think of it now, that situation was very terrible. It was trampling upon the individuality of a person and ignoring the identity of that person. Even though the bullies did not intend to kill, it was clearly a crime.

I recently read that three teenage girls were convicted of bullying a young girl until she committed suicide. I wish the bullies in this situation had been judged by the court, too.

It was not just a school problem; it was a much more serious criminal problem.

READ THIS ARTICLE AND SELECT THE OPTION THAT BEST ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS GIVEN

- 1. What is the author trying to do in this article?
- a. Telling a story about bullying in her school.
- b. Make aware people that bullying is a serious criminal problem.
- c. Fight against bullying
- d. Telling people how she suffered from bullying at her school.

What does she think about bullies?

- a. They are teenagers just kidding.
- b. People who wants to make jokes to others.
- c. They don't really want to bother someone.
- d. People who enjoy making feel bad others and did not feel guilty.

REPORTED SPEECH REPORT WHAT MI HYE SAID

- 3. "I witnessed a bullying situation"
- a. She said she had been witnessing a bullying situation.
- b. She said that she was witnessing a bullying situation.
- c. She said that she had witnessed a bullying situation.

- 4. "It was not just a school problem"
- a. She said that it had just been a school problem.
- b. She said that it didn't was a school problem.
- c. She said that it has not just a school problem.
- d. She said that it had not just been a school problem.

PASSIVE VOICE

5. WHICH OPTION IS WELL WRITTEN IN PASSIVE VOICE? Bullies bothered her everyday

- a. She is bothered every day by bullies.
- b. She has been bothered every day by bullies.
- c. She was bothered every day by bullies.
- d. She had being bothered every day by bullies.

6. Which of the following phrases is not written in passive voice?

- a. The victim was handicapped.
- b. Three teenage girls were convicted of bullying a young girl.
- c. This situation had been judged by the court.
- d. She had been tormented constantly.

PASSIVE VOICE (object+ to be+ vpp + c +by)

7. PUT THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS IN PASSIVE VOICE.

- A dog bit Christian on the corner
- Susana will receive the calls from Australia.
- Kevin was planning a meeting for the next week.
- My brother has done many mistakes lately

8. CORRECT THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES

- A number of political prisioners have release.
- The cheque is signing by the manager.
- The letter were sended to the wrong address
- At the North Pole oil have been discover.
- Payment can is made at any post office