What is cyberbullying?
Cyberbullying is when someone uses the internet or text to purposefully hurt someone over and over again with their words, actions, or behaviors.

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offender: A person who tries to hurt another with their words, actions, or behaviors.
target: The person being hurt or cyberbullied.
bystander: The person who knows that cyberbullying is happening but does nothing to help the situation.
upstander: The person who helps when they know that someone is being hurt by cyberbullying.

What if I’m cyberbullied?
Hopefully you won’t be, but if you find you’re being cyberbullied, remember to PAUSE:

P ut your device down until you feel safe.
A lways tell a trusted adult what’s happening.
U se your willpower, and don’t respond.
S ave or print out any hurtful messages or photos.
E veryone deserves to be treated kindly, including you!

What if someone I know is being cyberbullied?
If you think that a friend or classmate is being cyberbullied, remember to THINK:

T ell a trusted adult what’s happening.
H elp others by being a good listener.
I magine what it would feel like to stand in your friend’s shoes.
O nceone deserves to be cyberbullied. (Never stop being a sympathetic listener.)
K indness counts, so always be a super digital citizen!