

Cyberbullying

IN THE CLASS

ÓSCAR: The new one is a weirdo.

ÁLEX: Yes. He can't speak properly.

ÓSCAR: He's stupid ...

ÁLEX: Let's see if he learns to speak!

BOTH: hahahaha...

TEACHER: Pablo, tell us the parts the Roman Empire is divided into.

PABLO: uh, uh,... (silence)

TEACHER: Pablo, answer

PABLO: (stammering, this will always be true for Pablo) I don't want... want... er... to....to...make... a.... a....mis....take.

CLASS: hahahajajajajajajaja

TEACHER: Okay. And the rest, SHUT UP!

IN THE BACKYARD

NACHO (To Pablo): The class is not nice, eh? (He turns his head) I'm Nacho.

PAUL: (He's always going to stutter) Are you laughing at me?

NACHO: Why do you think so?

PAUL: Because everyone does.

NACHO: Well, not me. (Pause) I'm also new.

PABLO: And?

NACHO: They also mess with me.

PAUL: Because you are also new?

NACHO: Yes. I don't have any friends either.

(Óscar and Álex arrive)

ÓSCAR: Look at those two ...

ÁLEX: The new one and the stutterer, how nice.

(They pass by)

NACHO: Those are Óscar and Álex. They are not exactly naive souls.

AT THE SCHOOL EXIT.

ÓSCAR: Hey, Pablito, come here.

PAUL: What?

ÁLEX: Say a tongue twister or I'll beat you.

PAUL: What?

ÓSCAR: Come on; Betty Butter bought a bit of better butter ...

PABLO: Betty Butter bought a bit of better butter ... (humiliated and with a tearful tone)

IN THE CORRIDOR OF THE INSTITUTE

NACHO: I have seen a video in the whatsapp group of the class. Why did you let them do this?

PAUL: They threatened me!

NACHO: And you haven't told anyone?

PAUL: They sure wouldn't believe me.

NACHO: Of course they would believe you!

PABLO: Anyway, Óscar and Álex will beat me up.

NACHO: No! They would be expelled! Trust me, tell someone.

(Óscar and Álex pass by and Nacho approaches them)

NACHO: Hey! If you try to record Pablo again...!

ÁLEX: If we record him again, what?

NACHO: I you record him again, I will let the Headmaster know.

ÓSCAR: Yes, man, you won't dare!!!!

NACHO: Yes I will.

(Pause. They both laugh)

AT THE SCHOOL EXIT

(Óscar and Álex call Pablo, who approaches not very convinced)

ÁLEX: Ready for take 2?

PAUL: Take 2?

(he is pushed to record another video with a tongue twister)

PABLO: She sells sea shells by the sea shore.

IN THE BACKYARD

(Merche, a teacher, walks past Pablo, who is crying)

MERCHE: What's wrong, Pablo?

PAUL: (Crying) Haven't you heard?

MERCHE: what?

PABLO: I'm viral because Óscar and Álex. They pushed me to record videos saying tongue twisters!

MERCHE: Who?

PABLO: Óscar and Álex! From the Second Year!

MERCHE: Are you sure?

PAUL: How can I not be sure? They are the ones who have recorded me several times!

MERCHE: I'm going to investigate it. You calm down, if those two do something to you again, I'll catch them.

AT THE EXIT:

(Nacho and Pablo leave the school)

NACHO: So Merche is going to help you?

PAUL: That's what she said.

NACHO: Good, huh? Anyway, I will also try to help you. Do you see why you had to say it?

(Óscar and Álex appear behind the two and Álex pushes Nacho)

ÁLEX: Get out!

(Nacho looks at Álex and Óscar and hides)

ÓSCAR: Ready for take 11?

(Pablo sighs, resigned)

PABLO Twelve twins twirled twelve twigs.

(Óscar and Álex leave, Pablo breathes with relief and approaches Merche)

PAUL: You've seen it, right? Are you going to expel them?

MERCHE: I'm very sorry, Pablo... I haven't seen anything.

PAUL: What?

MERCHE: I was very busy! Sorry!

(Pablo blows)

NACHO: Wait!

(Merche and Pablo turn around)

NACHO: I recorded it!

PAUL: What?

NACHO: (Comes running to them) I have recorded everything. Have a look.

(He shows them his mobile phone and Merche smiles)

MERCHE: Perfect. I think I have the proof I needed! Now we can take actions. Stay calm, the videos will be deleted and they will get what they deserve.