

An

Unexpected friendship



WHAT IS BULLYING AND FRIENDSHIP?

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Today we want to deal with two very important topics, which are: bullying and friendship.

Bullying can be defined as a form of repeated verbal, physical and psychological violence perpetuated intentionally over time by one or more people (called bullies) against another (called the victim), in order to prevaricate and cause harm.

Friendship is sometimes very important in this situation to deal with and overcome them.

Friendship is a positive feeling; it binds individuals to one another through feelings of friendliness and goodwill.

A very beautiful sentence from "Robert Louis Stevenson" about friendship is this: "A friend is a gift you give yourself".

Besides explaining the term of bullying and friendship, we wanted to represent these experiences in the form of a comic strip, dealing also with some emotions that the protagonist, Nobita, feels. These feelings are anxiety, anger, embarrassment, disgust, sadness, and finally joy (we drew them ourselves and they are the same feelings in the movie Inside Out).

Anxiety: is an emotion characterized by a sense of agitation, worry and threat, most often accompanied by a somatic reaction that alarms the body.

Anger: a reaction of intense irritation generated by an unfavorable condition, a conflicting condition, or situations in which one feels powerless.

Embarrassment: a self-conscious emotion in which a person feels awkward or agitated when in the company of other people or because of excessive attention from others.

Disgust: strong sense of aversion associated with reluctance.

Sadness: emotion characterized by feelings of loss, despair, grief, helplessness and disappointment.

Joy: the state of fulfillment and happiness that usually occurs when we achieve goals, see a wish fulfilled, or a need satisfied.

AN UNEXPECTED FRIENDSHIP

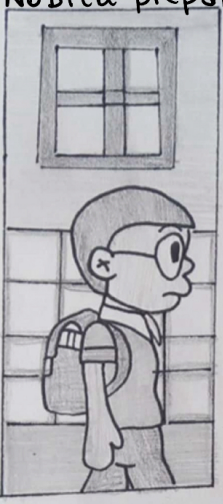
This is the story of Nobita*, a boy from Tokyo who moves to Kyoto. On the same day he arrives in the city, he has to go to a new school that he does not know and does not know how they might welcome him. He enters the classroom, goes to the only empty desk because the others are occupied by other boys. Instantly he feels himself being stared at by two boys with a mean look, who do not seem to accept him. Days pass and these two boys named Gian and Suneo start abusing him verbally, using nasty words that make Nobita shut down even more and make him go into depression.

Nobita no longer wants to go to school, but his mother forces him to. Months pass, the insults worsen and Nobita doesn't leave the house. He's always in his room alone and starts being strange, saying strange things; he always talks about suicide.

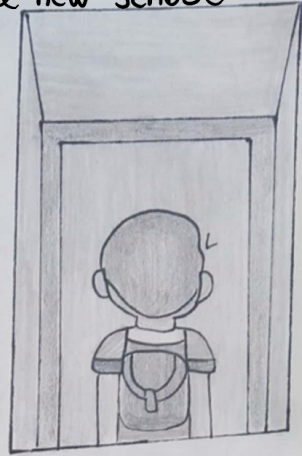
His mother starts to worry and takes him to a psychologist to help him, but he doesn't seem to change and always stays like that. He no longer leaves the room, he has fallen into a severe depression caused by all those insults. He starts thinking about committing suicide, he is almost making an extreme and life-threatening gesture, but he is blocked by two people who could never be expected to do so: they were Gian and Suneo themselves. Repenting for saying all those things and hurting a person by almost driving him to suicide. They want to help him get back to happiness and normality even though they have caused him all this, but they will try every day until they succeed. They finally help Nobita and an unexpected beautiful friendship is born among them.

* he is an eleven years old boy (he attends 1st grade); he is short, skinny, lazy, fearful and shy, with a very funny face and big glasses that cover almost his whole face.

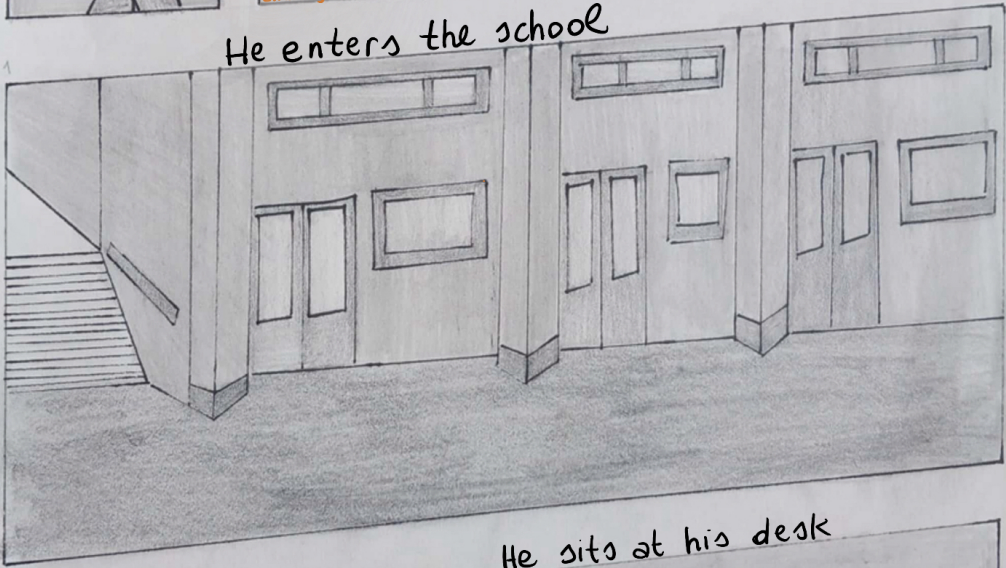
Nobita prepares for his first day at the new school



he feels
anxious



He enters the school



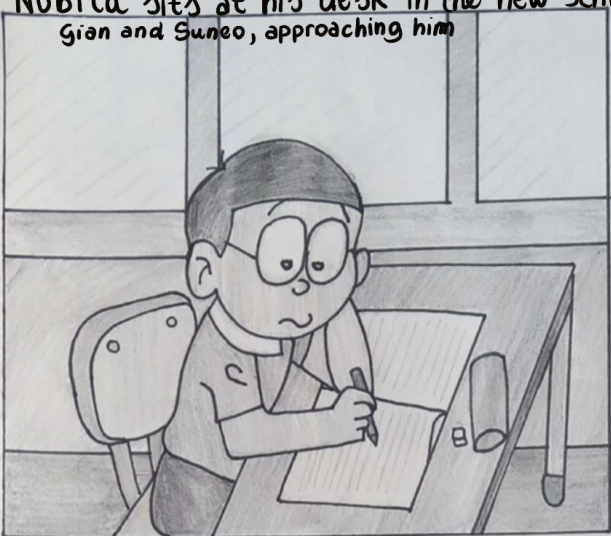
He feels embarrassed

embarrassment



He sits at his desk

Nobita sits at his desk in the new school, he sees two boys, Gian and Suneo, approaching him



Gian and Suneo seeing him strange and they start insulting him and treating him badly



he feels sad

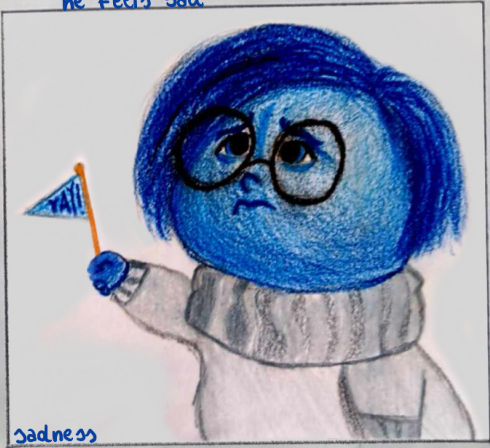


he feels angry

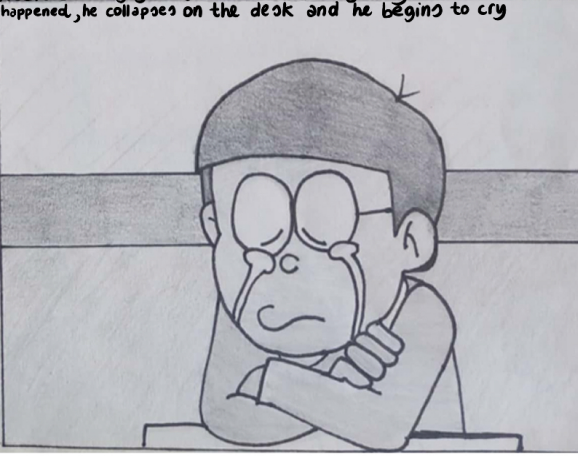
anger



Nobita is angry and sad about everything that has happened, he collapses on the desk and he begins to cry



sadness



Nobita is sad and leaves school



He gets home



He enters his room

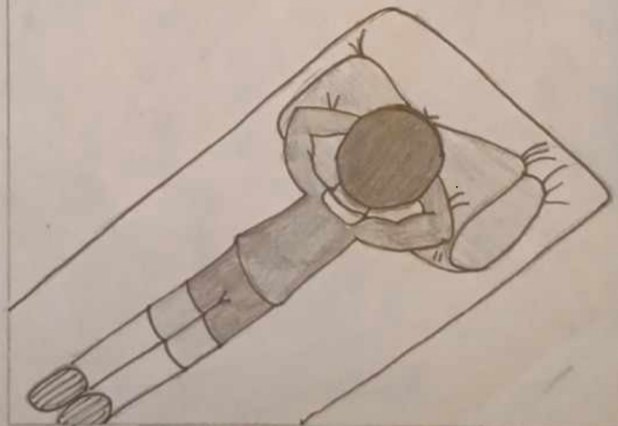


he feels disgusted

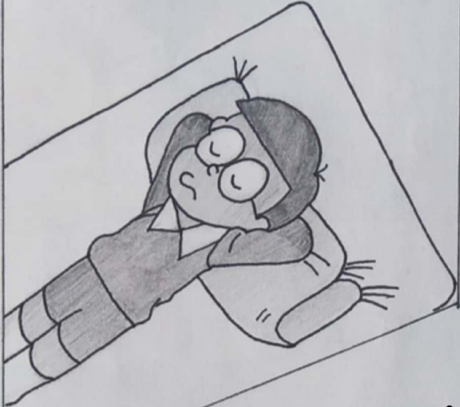


disgust

He lies on the bed crying



Nobita lies sad on the bed



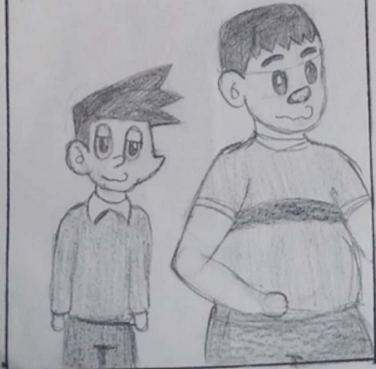
He gets out of his bed



He is about to make an extreme gesture because of all those insults



Gian and Suneo go to Nobita's house to apologize to him



They save him from the ultimate gesture



Gian and Suneo help him through this difficult period. They become friends



He feels joyful



"A friend is a gift you give yourself"
Robert Louis Stevenson

*If you don't know what to call it,
live it.
It's the right emotion
you won't regret it.*

