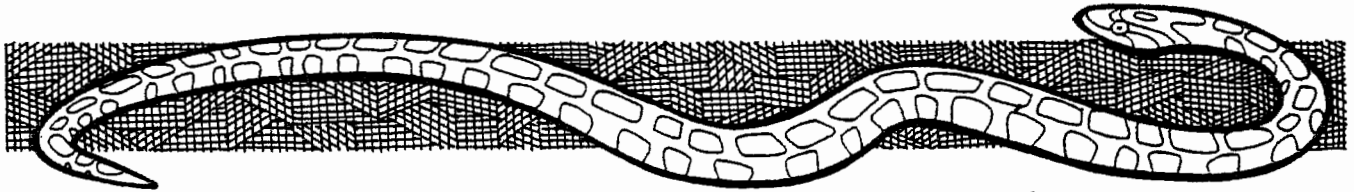


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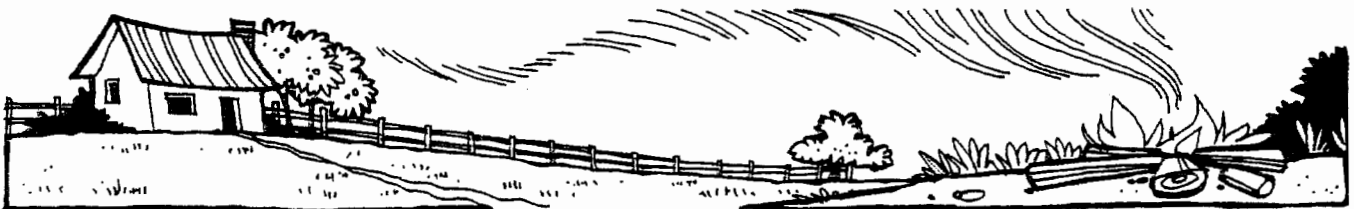
Cruel Is Not Cool

Some kids think it's cool to make fun of someone else or to bully another person or animal. That's cruel, not cool. Cool is about being respected; about knowing what to say, how to

act, and what to do in almost any situation. Read the examples below. In the blanks, write **Cool** or **Not Cool**.



- _____ 1. Sally's dog, wagging her tail, jumps up on Dylan. Dylan shoves the dog off and makes her yelp. Everyone laughs (except Sally and her dog).
- _____ 2. Sally's dog, wagging her tail, jumps on Dylan. He grabs the dog's front paws gently and says, "So you're crazy about me too, like all the other girls!" Everyone laughs, and Dylan gently puts the dog's front feet down on the floor.
- _____ 3. Jim throws up at lunch. Dylan, sitting next to him, says, "This food isn't *that* bad." Everyone laughs. Then Dylan helps Jim get to the nurse.
- _____ 4. Jim throws up at lunch. Dylan, sitting next to him, says, "That's gross!" and gets up and leaves. Everyone else leaves Jim sitting by himself, feeling bad.
- _____ 5. Dylan is out driving with friends, when he sees a snake in the road. "Hey, cool!" he says. He stops the car. Everyone gets out to see the snake. Then Dylan gently touches the snake with a very long stick to get him to go into a field, away from the road.
- _____ 6. Dylan is out driving with friends, when he sees a snake in the road. "Hey, cool!" he says, "I bet I can hit him." He tries to hit the snake but misses. Everyone laughs.
- _____ 7. Walking with friends, Dylan sees some smoke near an old building. "Let's watch and see if it catches fire," he says. "That thing will be awesome when it gets torched."
- _____ 8. Walking with friends, Dylan sees some smoke near an old building. "Let's get some help," he says. "I'm not into a barbecue today." One friend runs to call the fire department. The others look for some nearby adults to help.



On the back, write about a time when someone was cruel but was trying to be cool. Then write a cool way the person could have acted.