Cyberbullying, Digital Drama and Hate Speech

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Cyberbullying

WHAT IS CYBERBULLYING?

Cyberbully ng s us ng technology to bully or hurt someone else.
Cyberbully ng can nclude:
-Send ng/shar ng hurtful or abus ve messages or ema ls.
-Hum l at ng others by post ng/shar ng embarrass ng v deos or mages -Spread ng rumours or l es onl ne
-Sett ng up fake onl ne prof les
-Exclud ng others onl ne Repeated harassment and threaten ng messages (cyberstalk ng)

What makes cyberbully ng so hurtful?

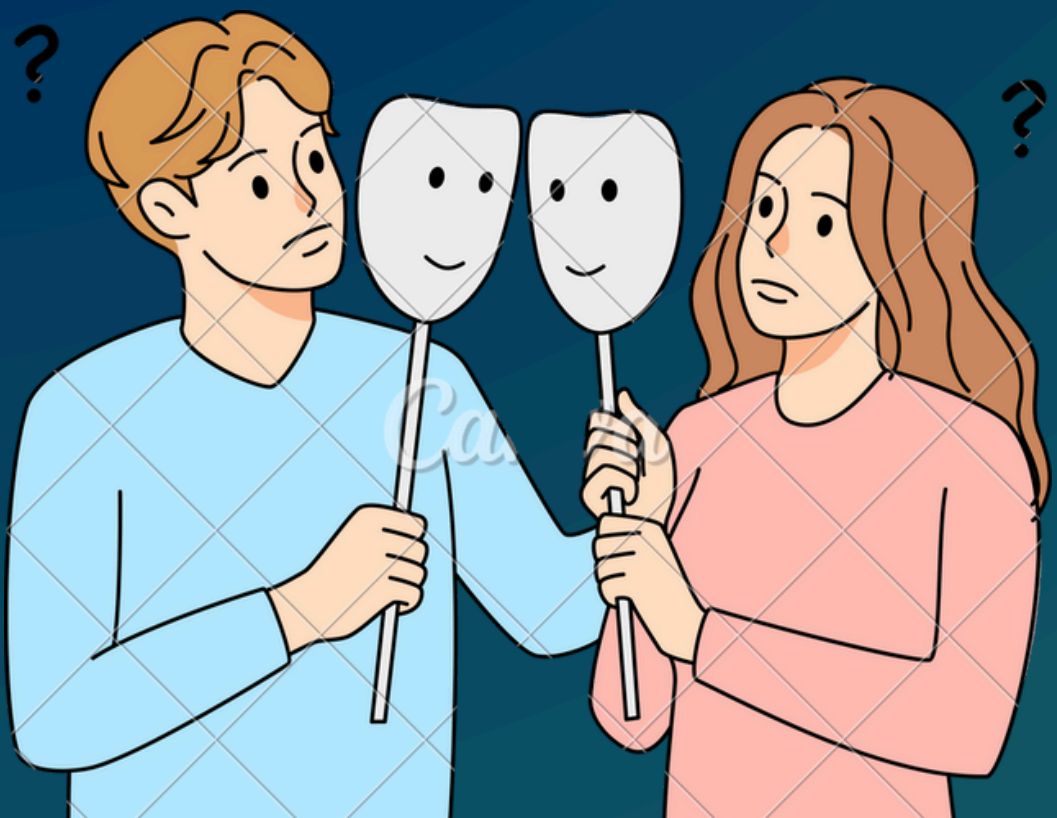
Wh le any type of bully ng can be hurtful, cyberbully ng can hurt someone just as much as phys cal or verbal bully ng because: -It's publ c – lots of people can see t - It spreads qu ckly -It can be hard to escape -The bully can be anonymous -Remov ng t can be a d ff cult process

REACH OUT!

Learn more about dealing with cyberbullying:

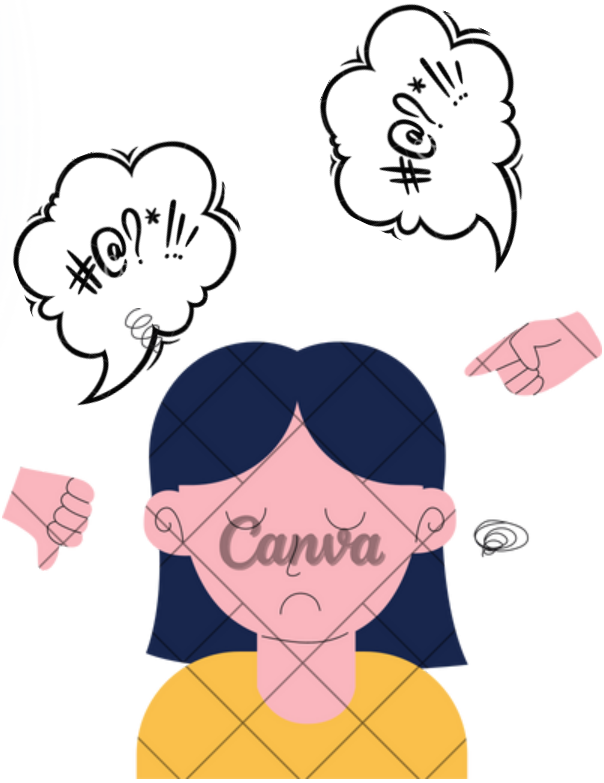
Digital Drama

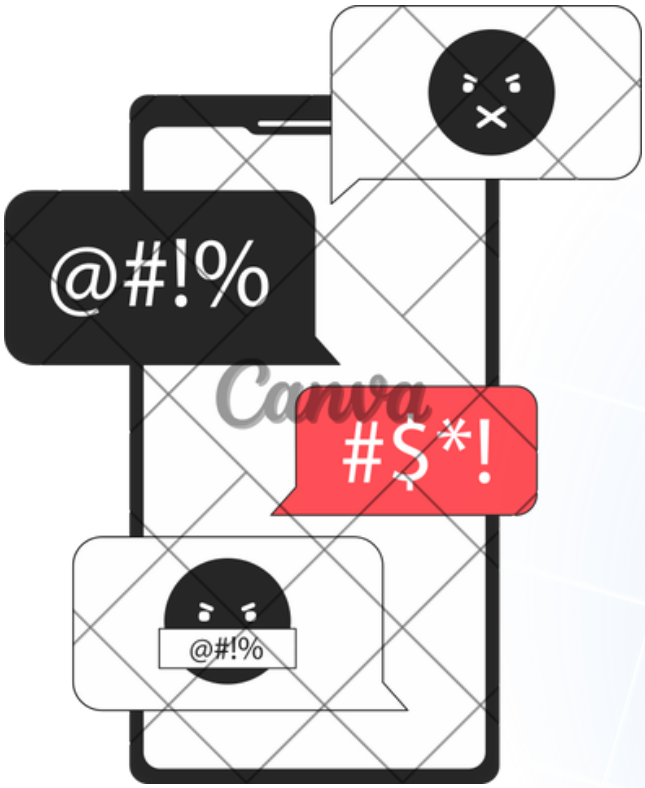
It s common to exper ence stressful soc al ssues onl ne, as so much of our soc al l fe happens on soc al med a and onl ne env ronments. D g tal Drama s the ord nary Drama and goss p of everyday l fe ampl f ed n the onl ne world, to the extent that t creates stressful s tuat ons and exper ences. D g tal Drama s not cons dered cyberbully ng, but can eas ly lead to t. Stay ng beh nd the screens and say ng th ngs to people you wouldn't say n real l fe, avo d ng confrontat on, or qu ckly f ght ng w th a fr end over a cell phone rather than n real ty, are just a few examples of d g tal drama.



HATE SPEECH

Hate speech consists in making cruel, hostile, or negative statements about someone. Comments based on their race, religion, national origin, ability, age, gender, or sexual orientation. Hate speech is more than just harsh words. It can be any form of expression intended to vilify, humiliate, or incite hatred against a group or class of people. It can occur offline or online or both. It can be communicated using words, symbols, images, memes, emojis and video.





Online Hate Speech

With the role of online platforms, in last years the European Commission started a dialogue with Facebook, Youtube, Twitter and Microsoft, to counter online hate speech. It is also funding projects going in this direction, and announced a Code of Conduct on hate speech.

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