

Handout

Human Behavior Vocabulary Terms

Directions: Use the context clues in the sentence in the first column to predict the meaning of each underlined term, and write your definition in the center column. Leave the third column blank.¹

Sentence	Predicted Meaning	Actual Meaning
The <u>perpetrator</u> of the crime was caught not long after robbing the convenience store and fleeing on foot down the crowded street.		
The <u>victim</u> of bullying didn't want to go to school and instead crawled back into bed and pretended to be sick.		
The <u>resister</u> wrote an opinion article in her school newspaper criticizing the school's early start time.		
Despite feeling a knot in her stomach while reading the hateful comments on her childhood friend's social media feed, the <u>bystander</u> put away her phone and headed to the gym for volleyball practice.		
After three days of reading the increasing number of homophobic comments and threats on his friend's blog, the <u>upstander</u> picked up his phone and texted: "You don't deserve this treatment."		

¹ Kelly Gallagher, *Deeper Reading: Comprehending Challenging Texts, 4–12* (Portland, ME: Stenhouse Publishers, 2004), 77–78.

As soon as she spotted the toddler who had drifted into the deep end of the pool, the **rescuer** dived in.