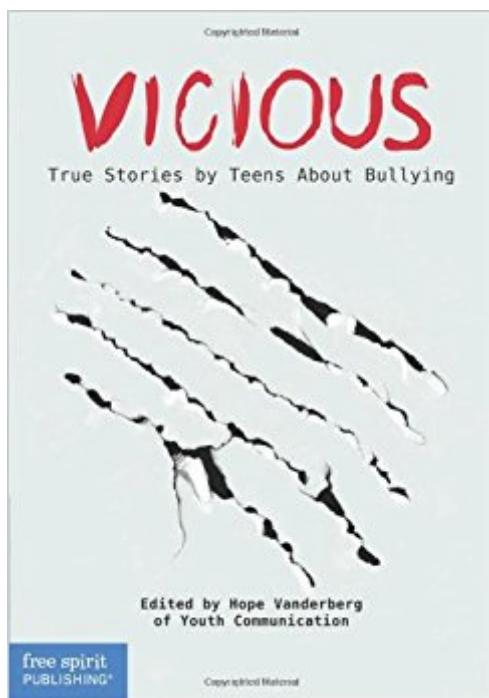


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# Vicious: True Stories By Teens About Bullying (Real Teen Voices Series)



## **Synopsis**

Essays by teens address bullying: physical, verbal, relational, and cyber. These stories will appeal to readers because the cruelty and hurt are unmistakably realâ "and the reactions of the writers are sometimes cringe-worthy, often admirable, and always believable.â Real Teen Voices Series Teens open up to tell personal stories that tackle difficult, real-life issues. Direct, revealing, and often raw, these voices will ring true for any teen reader who has faced bullying, anger, or stress. Each piece has been selected and edited to appeal to reluctant and emerging readers as young as seventh grade. Readers will be inspired by the writersâ ™ courage and strength in working hard to overcome problems both large and small.

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Drawn straight from the world of contemporary teens, this volume collects 20 young peopleâ™s true experiences of bullying at school, on the street, and online. Each of the chapters is filled with interactive personal scenarios that will make for great group discussions about the isolation of the victim, the cruelty of the perpetrator, the shame of both, and the helplessness of the bystander. Elie fights off his tormentors, but he loses his friends when he acts too tough with everyone. African American Shaniqua is teased for acting white. Bisexual Lavell feels hurt and alone until she finds acceptance with a LGBTQ group. Of course, cyberbullying is a huge problem, and in one case, the behavior spills over from Facebook into a real-life threat. Part of the Real Teen Voices series, this title includes a brief final chapter about how adults can help. There are no pat solutions: one teen who decides to stop letting ugly remarks get to him realizes that thatâ™s easier said than done. It is that honesty that will keep teens engaged. Grades 6-10. --Hazel Rochman

It was interesting. It was an okay book but it was really slow. I wouldn't have read it if I knew this was what it was about.

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