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## Spotting the Signs: Identifying Potential Bullies

### Short Answer Key

1. A lack of empathy is a common sign that someone might be a bully because bullies often display a disregard for the feelings and well-being of others. They may not understand or share the emotional pain they cause to their victims.
2. Bullies may try to exert control over others in social situations by manipulating conversations, excluding certain individuals, or using intimidation tactics to ensure that their preferences or opinions prevail.
3. If individuals suspect someone they know is engaging in bullying behavior, they can talk to a trusted adult or authority figure, provide support to potential victims, and encourage open communication about the situation.
4. Cyberbullying can have severe consequences on victims, including emotional distress, depression, anxiety, and even self-harm or suicidal thoughts. For bullies, consequences may include disciplinary actions, legal consequences, and social isolation.
5. It is important to address bullying behavior promptly to prevent further harm to potential victims and promote a safe and respectful environment for everyone. Delaying intervention can allow the bullying to continue and escalate.

