


# Value Activity 4

1 Read and copy the phrases under the correct heading. 

speaking a different language   speaking with an accent  
 having a different skin color   name-calling   being a foreigner  
 having a different culture   bullying   physical abuse   isolation  
 emotional abuse   having a different hair color

What are possible causes of discrimination?	What are possible effects of discrimination?

2 Read and underline the causes of discrimination and circle the effects of discrimination.



My name's Jorge and I'm from Colombia. A few months ago Mom and Dad told me we were immigrating to the United States I was so happy but also a bit scared. Going to a new school without any friends and having to speak English all the time was scary. But I felt sure it was going to be great.

On my first day at school, I started talking to some kids in my class before the teacher came, and they all began to laugh! They said that my accent was stupid and that they couldn't understand me. They asked why my skin and hair were dark. Someone asked me if I came from the rain forest. Other kids started pulling my hair and calling me names, and others just ignored me. I didn't know what to do. As soon as the teacher came in, all the kids sat down and acted normal. It's been three months now, and things are still bad. The kids make fun of me all the time for being different, and I feel too embarrassed to talk to the teacher. What should I do?

◆ Discuss the questions.

1. Why was Jorge excited about moving to the United States?
2. What happened on his first day at school?
3. What do you think Jorge should do?