

Life Skills (P.S.W) Worksheet 3 Week 3

Grade 5

Different forms of child abuse.

People who are close need to trust each other. Sometimes adults take advantage of children's trust. Abuse starts when trust is broken.

What is child abuse?

<u>Physical abuse</u> is hitting, kicking, biting, choking or punishing someone physically.	<u>Emotional abuse</u> is when a person threatens someone or makes someone feel bad about him or herself.
<u>Sexual abuse</u> is forcing someone to touch and be touched in a way that makes the person feel uncomfortable and violated.	<u>Neglect</u> is when an adult does not take proper care of a child.

Activity: Child Abuse – Read the following stories and answer the questions in your exercise book.

Case study 1

When Sheldon does not do what he is told at home, his older brother attacks him. Last night his brother kicked Sheldon and choked him until he could not breathe.

Case Study 2

Whenever Sadiyah comes home with a mark lower than 70 %, her parents tell her that she is stupid and lazy. They send her to her room for the rest of the day and she is not allowed to come out for supper.

Case Study 3

Lucky's teacher often invites him to his house to help him with his schoolwork. One day, the teacher asked Lucky to lie on the bed with him while Lucky was reading to him. His teacher rubbed Lucky's leg. Lucky did not know what to do and is now afraid to go to school.

1. How did these stories make you feel when you read them?
2. Identify the different types of abuse these learners are experiencing.
3. Sadiyah's parents told her that she is "stupid and lazy". Write two other sentences to give examples of emotional abuse.