

## I Am...The Bystander

By Auburn Grade 5

I am the bystander,  
I wonder if I should help,  
I hear her screaming for help but I stand by,  
I see the bully laughing and hurting her,  
I want to help stop the pain,  
I am the bystander.  
I pretend I don't hear a thing,  
I feel sweat running down my back,  
I touch my heart,  
I worry if she is ok,  
I cry because I don't know what to do,  
I am the bystander.  
I understand that I should help her,  
I say, "don't get involved",  
I dream I will be her hero and help,  
I try to stand up for her,  
I hope this will end soon,  
I am the bystander.