



# Word Search

Have a go at our word search above. See if you can find these words that describe some acts of anti-social behaviour:

- Swearing
- Hanging in gangs
- Hoax calls
- Dog mess
- Setting fires
- Littering
- Graffiti
- Throwing stones
- Trespassing
- Shouting



# Community

Don't lose your community to anti-social behaviour! Take pride in your area and encourage others to do the same by:

- Not littering
- Picking up after pets
- Not doing graffiti
- Not damaging property
- Being respectful to others
- Being aware of your actions
- Help your family by staying out of trouble!

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# Anti-social behaviour

# Explained!

A guide for 7 to 11 year olds



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# What is it?

Anti-social behaviour is anything that makes a person feel annoyed, intimidated, worried, scared or simply bullied.

**Think!** Would you like it if your gran was being harassed every night, and when she asked them to stop, they were verbally abusive and threatening?

Anti-social behaviour can effect anyone, including you and your family. **Think!**

There are many types of anti-social behaviour. Here are some of them:

- Racing cars**
- Loud music**
- Graffiti**
- Bullying**
- Nuisance ball games**
- Swearing**
- Fire setting**
- Spitting**
- Skateboarding**
- Nuisance fireworks**
- Begging**
- Fighting**
- Street drinking**
- Littering**
- Dog fouling**



# Who stops it?

There are lots of groups that tackle anti-social behaviour:

- The **police** deal with things like shouting, swearing, fighting, alcohol and people taking illegal drugs
- The **council** deals with litter, dog mess, graffiti and loud music
- The **fire service** deal with setting fires and hoax 999 calls.

If you see any anti-social behaviour, tell a grown up. They will know who to call, such as the police, council, or housing association.

# Why should we stop it?

What bothers you might not necessarily bother someone else. Have you been in the middle of doing something and your sister, brother or friend has kept interrupting? After a couple of times, it really bugs you, right? Well, that is how it feels for a person suffering from anti-social behaviour.

- **It makes peoples lives a misery**
- **It makes people feel afraid**
- **It stops people doing the simple things they enjoy**
- **It spoils the environment**
- **It affects the community and YOU!**

