**A Thin Line**

[www.athinline.org](http://www.athinline.org)

Go to the website above and answer the following questions.

Click on the **Get the Facts** link. Choose a category (there are 5) to research and fill in your choice

here:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Now, give me some information that you researched about the 3 categories of info. provided below:**

**3 Questions to ask yourself about…**

**What could happen?**

**Draw your line.**

**Go to the Take Control tab: Fill in the blanks below:**

**The best defense is a good offense. Follow our 6-step program and keep your digital domains hassle-free!**

* + **Keep your personal information private.** Names, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, license plate numbers, where you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, your date of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, your social security number—nobody online needs these. Zip it.
  + **Keep your passwords in lockdown.** Tell No \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. That way you'll never have to try and remember who you gave it to when something bad happens. If you feel the need to share your password with someone, try a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_or a trusted adult.
  + **Trust your gut.** If you don't like or feel \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by something in a text or IM, or anywhere online, tell someone who can help you.
  + **Report it.** Threats, harassment, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_... reporting to site admins or the police is 100% the right thing to do.
  + **Communicate.** If you don't like what's going down online or in IMs or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, talk to your partner about which behaviors are bugging you.
  + **Draw your line.** No need to settle for relationships or friendships that don't give you any \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ room. If your inboxes are overflowing with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ messages, take control! Delete,\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and defend your domain.

**Now, go to the Deal With It tab: Fill in the blanks below:**

**No one is immune. If you're getting bullied, harassed, threatened, trashed, hacked, sexted, or constant messaged in a digital space, here's how to respond:**

* + **Bite your thumb.** Even though you have the perfect \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, control yourself: Responding to mean or threatening messages inevitably \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and makes it worse.
  + **Keep tabs.** If things get bad and you choose to contact the police, you'll need a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of what's been posted, texted, etc. So \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_the mean stuff.
  + **Report it.** At the risk of repeating ourselves... we'll repeat ourselves. Threats, harassment, hate... reporting to site admins, parents/guardians/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is 100% the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ thing to do.

**Now, go to the Support Other tab: Fill in the blanks below:**

**Nobody should feel like they have to deal with digital harassment and online drama alone. Don’t just be a bystander, waiting on the sidelines. Here are tips on how to be an upstander:**

* + **Be a wingman.** If your friend's dealing with harassment from classmates, strangers, or a crush, show your friend that you’re someone to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on. Listen without making \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ — especially because your friend may feel \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and unable to get away from the harassment.
  + **Play nice/Think twice.** Let’s face it. You’re going to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_at people who \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your friends. But \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ into the drama will only make things \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Find ways to help your friend take action without taking revenge.
  + **Show concern.** If you’re worried that your friend is in an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ romantic relationship, say so. Remember that your friend might not feel manipulated, even if you think it’s obvious.
  + **Recruit backup.** Help your friend identify other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who will be supportive. Remember that different people might be able to help in different ways.

**Okay, now go to the Blog tab, and find the Oct. 8 post about Gold Medalist, Gabby Douglas; read her story…here are a few questions for you:**

1. **What kind of bullying did Gabby encounter? Give examples of what she faced and where.**

1. **Do you feel you have ever been a victim of bullying?**
2. **If so, what challenges did you face and how did you handle it?**
3. **What can you do to help prevent bulling here at our school?**