

Poster design ideas

Design a poster that illustrates what you can do to stop the bullying! Here are some idea starters:

Was there a time when you stood together with friends to stop the bullying? If you've seen someone taunted time and time again, did you and others tell the bully to stop? Did you report it to an adult (which is very different from tattling), or care for your friend by calling her or making plans to get together outside of school?

How can you show kindness to your classmates?

Lead by example and show others what it means to be a good friend. Offer a compliment, apologize for something you did wrong, or send a kind note.

Have you ever forgiven someone who bullied you?

Making mistakes is part of being human, and it's best to give friends the chance to make things right. We all have an invisible part inside us—call it your inner star—that helps us to forgive and forget. Giving second chances will not only help someone else's inner star to shine, but will also polish up your own.

Posters will be judged on three equally weighted criteria: originality, artistic merit, and effective use of theme.

Mail your poster and entry form to:
American Girl Stop the Bullying Poster Contest
PO Box 620497
Middleton, WI 53562-0497

Enter for your chance to win!

How to enter

1. Use an 8 ½" x 11" (vertical) sheet of white paper.
2. Poster entries must be original artwork; no photography or computer-generated artwork, please.
3. Posters should not be mounted, framed, laminated, or folded.
4. All entries must be accompanied by this official entry form.
Use a paper clip (no staples, please) to attach it to your poster.
5. Write your name, address, and phone number on the back of your poster.
6. Mail poster to address shown below left.

Girl's name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Girl's age _____ Girl's birth date _____ / _____ / _____

Phone number (_____) _____

Parent or guardian's e-mail address _____

School name _____

School phone number (_____) _____

Parent/guardian signature _____

I am the parent or legal guardian of the entrant and give my permission for this poster entry. I represent and warrant that this is an original work of art by the entrant. I understand that artwork will not be returned and will become property of American Girl.

Hurry—entries must be postmarked by February 28, 2009.

Entries received after March 3 will not be eligible.

