

What Is a Threat?

A **threat** is when someone says he or she is going to hurt you or someone else.

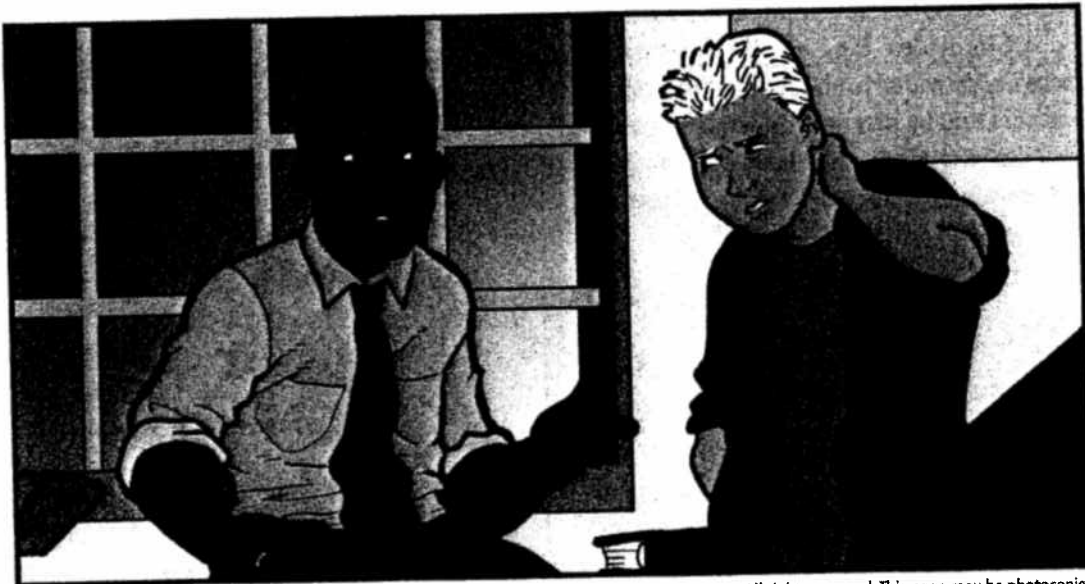
Examples of threats:

- o "I'm gonna bust you up."
- o "I'm gonna get even with him."
- o "Come watch what I'm gonna do to him."
- o "I have a gun in my backpack."
- o "I'm gonna blow this place up."

Sometimes students are just kidding when they make threats, but some threats are serious. Some threats are crimes. Don't make threats.



If you feel threatened or know about a serious threat to someone else, it is important to get help. **Seeking help to prevent someone from getting hurt is not snitching.** Let someone know there is a problem—tell a teacher, a counselor, or anyone on the school staff. We are here to help.



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