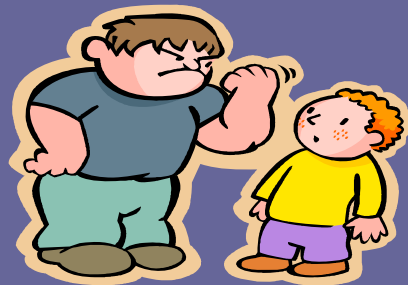


The Roscommon Advocacy
Research Group
Inclusive Research on Bullying
2010/2011



What is the purpose of this research?

- To demonstrate how individuals can learn & be supported to undertake meaningful & informative pieces of work such as this



- To do a piece of research on an issue that affects many people that experience an intellectual disability & use disability services

Why did we research this topic?

- We talked about Inclusion & different topics that affect people in the community and people with a disability



- We had many ideas and decided that we would focus on Bullying for this project

How we did our Research...

- We were supported to do six One-to-one Interviews



- We also conducted a Focus Group which was a good way for people to give their opinion on Bullying



- Confidentiality was very important!!



What we found out...

- What people said Bullying is?

“It’s not nice to be told to shut up”

“Being called nasty names”

“People imitating you”

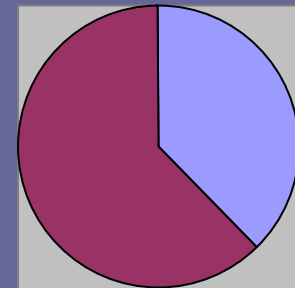
“Being called names on the street”

“Being ignored”

“Damaging your property”

Have you ever been bullied?

- **Two thirds** of people interviewed said they were bullied



- In the Focus group **85%** of people said they were bullied

What should happen?

- **People interviewed said:**
- “...talk about it and get support to stop the bullying”
- “It’s a horrible feeling to be bullied...”
- “talk to your friends”
- “...maybe by doing a role play of somebody getting bullied would help us understand better...”



What Next?



- The Bullying Research will be used to highlight the issue of bullying for people that use the services
- It will also inform a Bullying policy for the organisation in 2011
- The Advocacy Council will use the research in 2011 to educate & raise awareness
- It will be “*a voice to be heard...*”

