

# What Would You Do If Somebody Was Being Racist on Your Bus?



# Racist Ranting

Incidents of racist behaviour on public transport are becoming well-documented owing to social media. Videos recorded by on-lookers are often shared and occasionally used by police to track down individuals who threaten others.

**This behaviour is seemingly worldwide, with high-profile incidents occurring in the UK, USA, Canada, Ireland, Italy, Israel and Australia.**



# Picture the Scene...

You are on a bus heading to the cinema. A group of white boys start making racist and aggressive comments towards a black man who doesn't appear to speak very good English. You can see that the man is intimidated and scared.

**What do you do?**

**Talk about your response with a family member.**



# Do You Agree with These Responses?

Discuss each of these responses and whether you think they are a good approach.



“I would get my phone out and film it. Then I’d post it online.”

“I’d get up and stand in-between the two people, shouting at them to stop.”



“It’s best to do nothing in this situation. They might respond with violence.”

“Stay in your seat but tell the boys to be quiet.”



“Start a fight. That’s the only way to stop it.”

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What would your advice be to someone in a similar situation?

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