

Treatment for *Another Day, Another Fight*

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A girl being bullied, but this time there's more at stake than just her alone.

Market Audience: This film is for all those affected by bullying; the teenagers that are bullied and the adults that care about their children. To attract teenagers, the video will have quick, snappy scenes, set to a garage music beat.

Background: The inspiration behind *Another Day, Another Fight*, was a friend's real struggle against the physical and mental effects of bullying. Bullying can spiral out of control and will continue to affect it's victims throughout their life.

Setting: The setting is an inner city Secondary School, where students' lives revolve around their crowded classrooms, the dingy form rooms and the school café. Life is not that simple though. Events at school have an effect throughout our lives, beyond school walls.

Outline: The film opens with a shot of a long, empty corridor. A girl, Amy, is standing alone. She is holding a home pregnancy test. She takes a long look at it and then shoves it in her black, Nike bag and pushes the door open. The class is rowdy and the teacher is not there. Amy walks to her seat at the front; the bullies are calling her fat names. Everyone laughs. The bell goes and the teacher walks in and the class goes silent.

The clock on the classroom wall shows nine. The film cuts to an empty corridor and the school bell rings. Different students walk out of their classrooms, the sound of laughter and noise echoes around the corridors. The clock on the wall has changed to one. The corridor empties and Amy leaves the class last, she looks miserable and lonely.

Amy walks through the corridor, her science book held protectively against her chest. She pushes against the door and enters the café. She looks up and we see her gaze going to the bullies, sitting, waiting at the back. Quietly, she collects her blue, plastic lunch tray and sits down, hiding in a corner.

The group get up, and moving together they advance towards Amy, three in front, two behind. They tease her, and force her to eat her food, while calling her fat names. It gets too much for Amy and she pushes her chair back, gets up and flees from the café. We see the bullies faces, they are laughing. In the background we hear the school bell.

Amy sits alone on a swing in the park. The camera cuts to the rowdy classroom and we see an empty chair. We hear the teacher asking where Amy is. Amy looks behind her at the school and then glances at her watch. The time says three- thirty. School's finished.

Shoes crunch on the gravel path. Amy looks up. Stacy, the leader of the pack, pushes Amy off the swing, kicking her to the ground. The girls pile in and Amy gets kicked in the belly. Amy's scream rings through the empty park, stopping the girls. Amy lies on the floor in pain, her school uniform is torn and she's crying. The girls huddle next to her, but then they notice that she's holding her belly tightly, in a lot of pain. The camera moves from Amy to the girls as they look nervously at each other and then flee. The camera spins around and moves slowly down her body, ending on her open school bag, and the positive pregnancy test..