Online Responsibility Scenarios

Consider the following questions for each scenario:

- In what ways does the scenario demonstrate irresponsible online behavior?
- How is the scenario damaging to the student or others?
- What actions could have prevented the scenario or helped to soften its impacts?
- What is the most important lesson learned for students in the situation?

Scenario	Notes
Rasheed misses a penalty kick at the end of a close soccer game. His team loses and Rasheed feels terrible. To make things worse, Rasheed starts getting anonymous instant messages not only deriding his soccer skills, but also threatening him physically if he ever sets foot on a soccer field again.	
Roger has been procrastinating on a long-term project on cell structure for his biology class. Realizing that he has no hope of completing the project in time, he copies information directly from the Internet into his report. Roger does not feel great about his decision, but figures no one will catch him.	
Maria catches Shawna picking her nose during science class. She thinks it's disgusting and uses her cell phone to video it. Maria then uploads the video to her social media site and tags Shawna in the video. The video goes viral, many peers "like" the post, and some even message Shawna directly with hurtful comments.	

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Scenario	Notes
Cora loves her math class and learns best through participating in discussions and asking questions. One day she receives text messages during class calling her a “teacher’s pet” and telling her to stop participating. Mr. Lopez notices a change in Cora’s behavior. When he asks Cora what is going on, Cora, fearful of her peers, avoids the question.	
Sara likes to watch the latest movies but does not like to pay for them. Despite warnings that her actions may be illegal, she downloads movies from sites deciding that no one is hurt by her actions.	
At the suggestion of Elaine, a group of students hanging out afterschool decides to “mess” with another student, Dan, who is not present. Together, they create a fake social media profile using Dan’s name. Even though not all students are comfortable with the activity, no one steps in to stop it.	

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