

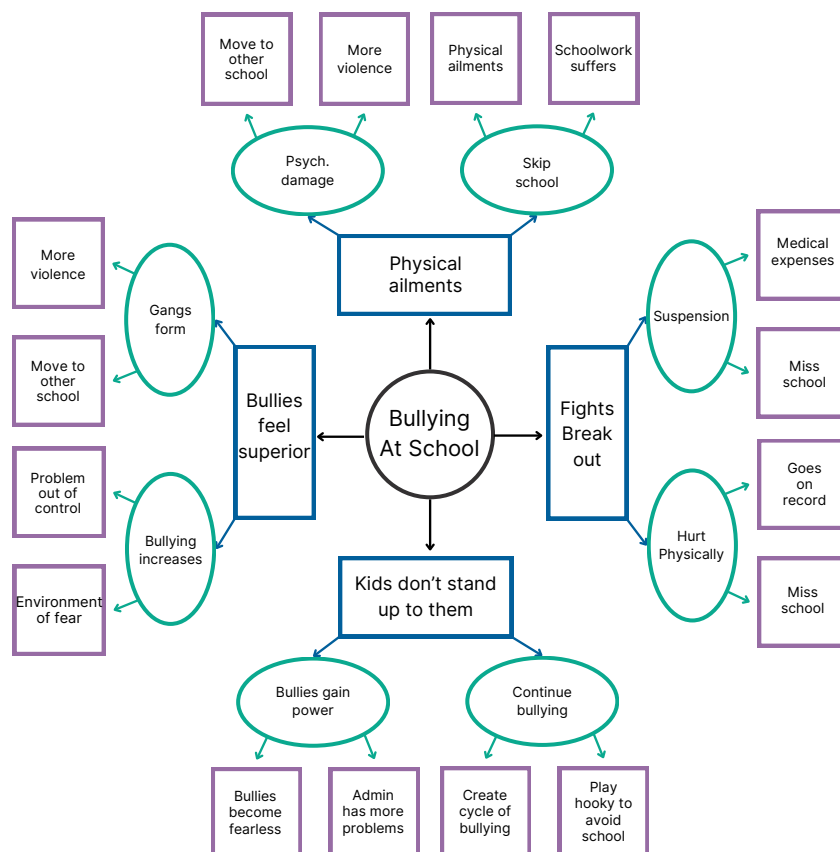
## Why it's important

A futures wheel is a graphic organizer tool that allows you to predict future events. Using the knowledge you have of the current situation, consider positive and negative results of an idea, event, or trend.

## Directions

1. Put your starting idea in the center of the page in the **black** circle.
2. Fill in the **blue** rectangles with first-order effects that could result from your starting idea.
3. For each first-order effect identify two second-order effects (**green** ovals).
4. Repeat for the second-order effects to identify third-order effects (**purple** squares).
5. After completing the futures wheel, discuss which ideas on your wheel could be challenges and which others could be solutions to the given problem.

*A creative thinking tool, concept maps like this one are beneficial in organizing information. Issues relating to the topic are organized around the topic with similar items recorded together.*



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# Futures Wheel Graphic Organizer

