# **Abuse of Power**

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#### What is Abuse of Power?

• Abuse of Power is when someone who has a higher position of 'power' takes advantage of another person. Abuse of power can be in many instances such as at a job or even at your own home.

## **Example of Abuse of Power:**

**Police Brutality-** There are many instances where police have used excessive force against people who were deemed harmless. In the years since 9/11, our government has illegally kidnapped, detained and tortured numerous prisoners. The government continues to claim that it has the power to designate anyone, including Americans as "enemy combatants" without charge. This is an example of Abuse of Power because the government is taking advantage of the people because they have 'power' over them.

## How do we stop the Abuse of Power?

- We can provide better training or rules to stop the police brutality. Better training and rules in certain situations would prevent many of these cases of happening.
- Seek better qualified officers by having more specific tests in order to become an officer or make it required to pass a certain class about police brutality.

 We can also provide better teachers such as teachers that don't have a negative attitude on their students because whenever the teachers have a negative attitude, it not only would impact the students with their feelings but also it could have a negative impact on the student's learning as well while having to deal with teachers who are strict.

#### **Sources**

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