

CHAPTER 3: SUPPORTING DETAILS

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Different Kinds of Supporting data

- Academic writing normally requires that you support your ideas and opinions with supportive data. (p. 39)
 - A personal experience/ a story
 - A well-known/recognizable event/ an example
 - Statistical evidence
 - Factual information (*common sense/ study*)
 - Expert opinion (report/ quotation)

The Application of Supportive Data

Avoiding Bullying

The social event "Hsinchu Bullying" took place in 2011, and it shocked and influenced many people in Taiwan including the authorities, the educators as well as the public. An anti-bullying rally was even held in order to demonstrate hundreds of Facebook users' angers and their supports for the victims. More and more attention is being drawn to this social problem in Taiwan. Several high-profile bullying cases at schools in Taiwan over the past few months have alarmed educators into awareness of the occurrence of bullying in schools and have prompted education officials to promise greater efforts to maintain campus safety. 3

Bullying is becoming a growing problem among teens. It was stressed by Waters that one third of teens reported being bullied while at school in America (2011), and this further explains that bullying is a common shared problem in different cultures. In an attempt to stop it, educators need to acknowledge different types of bullying. **Bullying comes in** various forms such as mental bullying, verbally bullying and physical bullying (FindLaw, 2012). Trainings and talks are organized by the local authorities and Ministry of Education to help teachers with the better understanding of this issue. 4

In addition, to ensure campus safety and students' own safety, there are also government programs that teach educators, staff and students on how to deal with harassment.

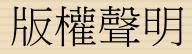
Lin Teng-jiao, vice commissioner of the Taipei City Education Department, said firmly, "The municipal government and the department have already implemented various measures, including assigning more volunteers and 'campus guardian angels' to constantly conduct regular inspection tours on all campuses for bullying prevention"

(The China Post, March 3, 2012).

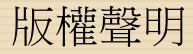
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With teacher's active involvement and the government's assistance, it is anticipated that the younger generation will learn more about this issue happily and confidently.



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