

Name

George was almost _____ his _____
_____ of school. He was doing very well. He always made
_____ he had his homework. He always raised his hand when his
teacher asked questions. He listened, was respectful of others and _____
_____ the door for his class during recess. But _____
he changed.

George stopped raising his hand or even smiling in class. He rarely had
his homework and would cry every morning when his mom made him go to
school. The teacher thought he might be _____ the weather, but his
behavior lasted too long for a simple illness. Finally his teacher, Miss Hilton,
questioned him about his attitude change.

"They _____ stop teasing me about my _____!"
cried George. "I know that my shoes have some holes and my coat's second
hand, but I _____ help that. When the other kids tease me it really
hurts and I just don't want to be here anymore!"

George ran away sobbing. Miss Hilton spoke to the rest of the class.
She explained, "we are all here at school to learn. Saying hurtful things,
making fun of people, stops us from learning. If we don't learn in school, it's
really hard to be happy when we grow up."

The children that made fun of George began to understand what _____
done. They ran to George, apologized and never teased him _____.
George began to perk up and finished school with flying colors!