

# Sarah's Story

Sarah has a learning disability. She gets the bus to college every day. One morning, a gang walks past the bus stop. Sarah says hello to them. They laugh and say hello back in silly voices. Sarah thinks they are fun.



The next morning they walk past Sarah again. They ask if she has got any cigarettes. She opens her bag to show that she has not got any. They have a good look in her bag. 'Nice bag!' one of them says.



She sees them again a few days later. One of them says 'Let me look in your bag'. She takes a mobile phone out and starts making a call. Sarah asks for it back. The girl throws it back but Sarah catches it.



She sees them the next day. The girl asks to use the phone again. Sarah gives it to her. Another one takes her purse out of her bag. He takes all the money out of it when she isn't looking. When the bus comes, she has no money for the ticket. She has to go home



When she tells her parents what has happened, they say she cannot use the bus any more. They think she should stop going to college because she is not safe to travel alone. Sarah is very upset about this.



1. What is wrong in that story?
2. Is Sarah's learning disability important in the story?
3. What would you have done?
4. What would you do next?
5. Is it a hate crime?

*(The people in the photos are actors)*