“Role-Reversal” Role Plays

Instructions: place each scenario on a different sheet or card, so that they can be handed out to each small group for exercise “Talking about Technology: Role-Reversal Role Plays.”

Scenario 1:

Parent: You just found out that your child has a folder full of provocative pictures on the family computer. You don’t know whether or not he/she has posted them or sent them to his/her friends so you decide to ask them.

Teen: A couple of months ago, you took some silly pictures of yourself when you were home alone and bored. You put them all in a folder and planned on erasing them but you erased the wrong folder. Now your parent found them.

Scenario 2:

Parent: You just received a mass text from your child that was meant to go to his/her friends only but they included you by mistake. In the message, they are talking about threatening another student at the school and they seem serious about it.

Teen: A guy/girl at school will not stop flirting with your Boyfriend/Girlfriend. You went to your friends for advice but they just suggest you beat them up and you don’t really want to take it there. The last straw is when they made a comment on your partner's Facebook page so you send a mass text to let everyone know how angry you were.

Scenario 3:

Parent: Your child quits his/her sports team suddenly and when you asked him/her why he/she just said, “it wasn’t for me”. When you call the coach of the team, he/she tells you that he/she has been the subject of some online hazing.

Teen: You were trying to fit in with a couple of the star players on the sports team at your school that you think are really cool. They ask you to post a trending topic on twitter about one of the unpopular girls at school and help them make fun of her. When you decline, the group talks about you on twitter instead of the girl.