

I Am...the Bystander

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I am the bystander,
I wonder if I should help,
I hear the bully calling her names,
I see the pleading in her eyes,
I want to help but I don't have the courage,
I am the bystander.
I pretend it is not happening,
I feel sorry for her,
I touch my arm,
I worry about what's going to happen,
I cry once I am alone,
I am the bystander.
I understand how hurt she is,
I say it isn't my fault,
I dream that it will never happen again,
I try to stand up for people,
I hope I can have courage to do it,
I am the bystander.