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Vocabulary Child Abuse Student Worksheet

1. Child abuse:

2. Physical abuse:

3. Emotional abuse:

4. Sexual abuse:

5. Neglect:

6. Shaken-baby syndrome:

7. Coping threshold:

Vocabulary Child Abuse Teacher Key

1. **Child abuse:** Any physical or mental threat or injury to a child under age eighteen.
2. **Physical abuse:** Intentional hurting of a person's body, causing physical injury.
3. **Emotional abuse:** Actions by a parent or caregiver that interfere with a child's personal and social development and damages a child's self-esteem.
4. **Sexual abuse:** Sexual contact or interaction between a child or teen and an adult; can be physical or nonphysical.
5. **Neglect:** Failing to provide proper shelter, clothing, food, care, and affection. Can be physical or emotional.
6. **Shaken-baby syndrome:** Brain damage caused by a fast and forceful shaking of a newborn or infant.
7. **Coping threshold:** Your ability on any given day to deal with stress.