

# DAILY Actor

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**MIKE:** You know, Stan, I feel sorry for you.

**STAN:** You don't know me.

Mike speaks loudly now, playing to the cafeteria.

**MIKE:** Oh but I do. All too well. You're the man. Captain of the basketball team. Dates the pretty girls. High school is your kingdom.

Stan and his Posse tap fists. Mike dribbles between his legs.

**MIKE:** But, People, Stan's a bully. Why? It would be way too easy to say Stan preys on the weak because he's simply a dick. No, Stan's more complex than that.

According to leading psychiatrists Stan is a bully for 1 of 3 reasons.

1, under all that male bravado there's an insecure little girl banging on the closet door trying to get out.

2, like a caveman, Stan's brain is underdeveloped. Therefore Stan is unable to use self-control so he acts out aggressively. And the third reason-

Mike holds up his pinky then spins the ball on it.

**MIKE:** I'd argue that Stan suffers from all 3.