Bad Temper - A problem

Approach: Station Level: Year 4 and year 8

Resources: None

Questions/instructions	% responses	
	<i>y4</i>	<i>y</i> 8
Imagine that someone has this problem:		
They have trouble controlling their		
temper and always end up burting otbers.		
1. Write down ways for dealing with this		
problem.		
seeking professional advice	13	29
involve adults / peers		
[general response only]	23	4
provide guidance or instructions	42	39
physical or mental self-control techniques	20	58
ignore problem	35	30

	% response	
2. Who are some people who might be able to help with this problem?	<i>y</i> 4	<i>y</i> 8
3. Draw a ring around the person in answer 2 who might be the most helpful.		
4. Why do you think this person might be		
the most helpful? parents	43	30
school staff	26	5
other family members	4	8
friends	3	8
health professionals	4	35



Commentary

There is a major shift here between year 4 and year 8. Year 8 students place much greater emphasis on professional help and specific treatment, and much less on help from school staff.