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Absolute Power and the Rule of Law

Imagine that one student in your class has received Absolute Power and is no longer subject to the same rules as everyone else. How would that make you feel? Think about what it would be like, then answer the questions below.

1. If you are chosen as the students who is above the law, what would you do, knowing that you would not get in trouble? How would you feel knowing that you have that much power?

2. If you are not chosen as the student who is above the law, how would you feel watching someone do whatever he or she wanted to do?

3. What limits would you impose on anyone who is chosen? Why?