Q. Who do you think might hurt someone who is vulnerable or at risk?

A. Abusers are often in a position of power, trust or authority over the people they abuse. This makes it easier for them to carry out the abuse.

They might be a family member, a friend or someone providing care or support in an institution or in the community.

Most often, the abuser is known to the individual – but sometimes they could be a stranger.

People may be abused in lots of different settings. Can you give 3 examples of places where people might be abused?

Accept reasonable answers such as:

- 1. Their home
- 2. Hospitals, care homes or other institutions
- 3. In the community
- 4. School
- 5. Clubs or groups
- 6. Online

Sagefuarding at risk individuals is very important. Give 2 reasons why you think this is.

Accept any reasonable answers such as:

- 1. Helps prevent abuse and harm
- 2. Reduces the risk of harm for people who need support to manage their daily life
- 3. Helps improve life for vulnerable individuals
- 4. Raises public awareness of potential risks
- 5. Helps people understand how to stay safe