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Manuscript Number:	Ms_JESBS_51386
Title of the Manuscript:	Trends in social inequality in exposure to bullying at school 1994-2018
Type of the Article	Short communication

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**PART 1: Review Comments**

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments		
<b>Minor</b> REVISION comments	I would love to see an appendix which showed the instrument you used to gather the data. I think it would add to the veracity of your conclusions in a very large way. Excellent study.	<b>Response:</b> Thank you for your kind assessment. It is not entirely clear to us what this recommendation includes. The manuscript applies data from seven surveys, all covering a broad range of items about health, health behaviour, school- and family situation etc. Although there is a core of questions in the questionnaire which are similar in all surveys, there are also questions which are specific for each survey. To report all seven full questionnaires may not be feasible and not very helpful to the reader.  We interpret your recommendation in such a way that we should present the exact phrasing of the questions applied in this specific manuscript. Therefore, we have added a text in the Methods section which presents the phrasing of the questions about socioeconomic status and exposure to bullying. We hope this solution is appropriate and satisfying.
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