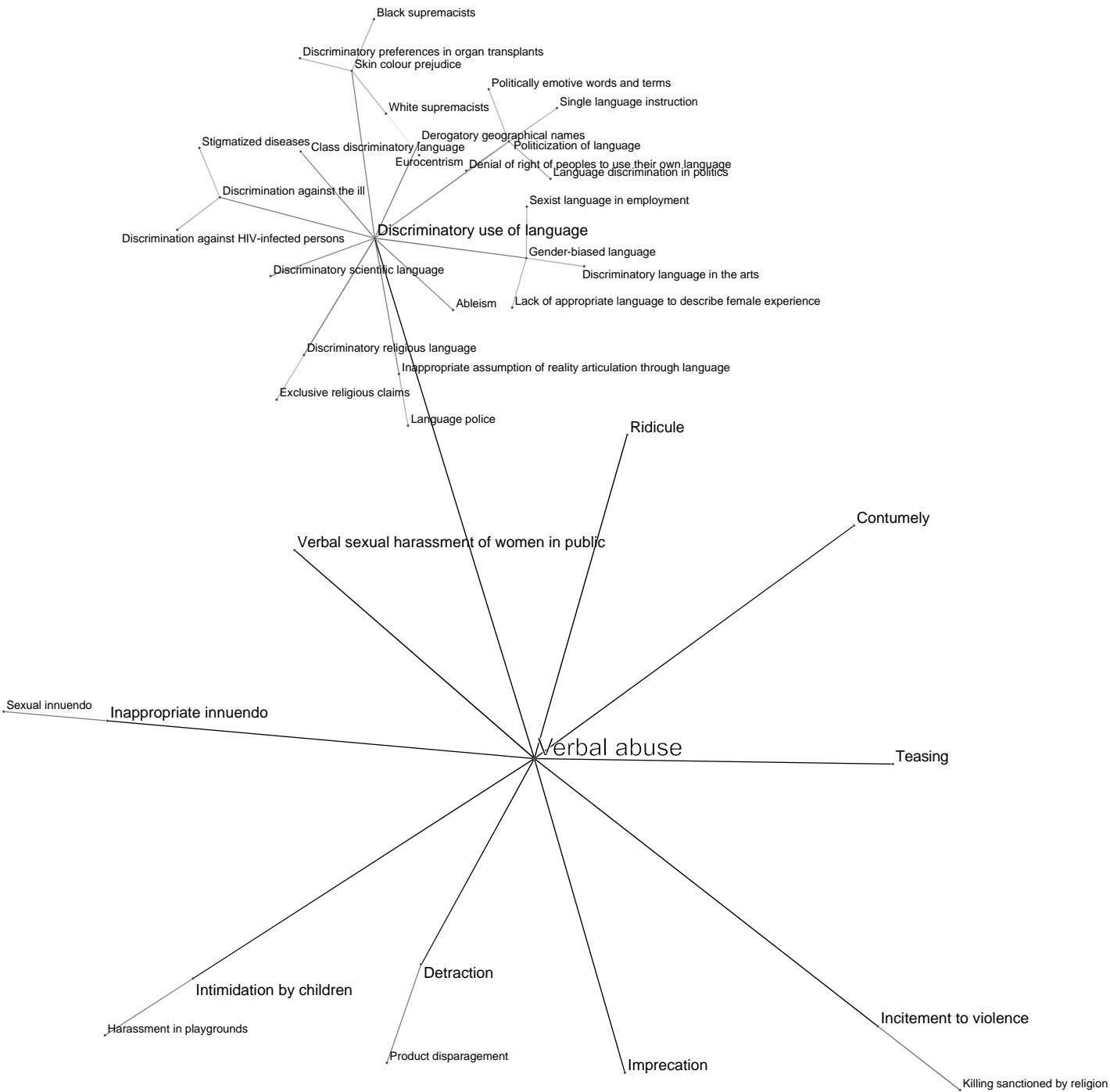


Figure 10.2.34.
Verbal abuse

Database: World Problems and Issues
Link type: narrower problems
Network nodes: 40
UIA database: <http://db.uia.org/scripts/sweb.dll/uiaf?DD=PR&CL=2&DR=D5238>



Claims: Verbal abuse can be as damaging as other forms of abuse. The hurt of a deliberately aimed unkind word can be an emotional wound which never heals. A society in which individuals habitually need to protect themselves from verbal attack has put up barriers which reduce its humanity. The problems of violence in contemporary society exist at the top as well as at the bottom. The language and thought of government and public discourse has coarsened, taking for granted a casual recourse to violence against people who, by their behaviour or nature, are assumed to have invited it.