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Susie's Day

Susie comes into her classroom in the morning excited about the day. When she goes to put her lunch in her cubby, she kneels in front of Mike's cubby. Mike comes by and pushes her to the side and yells, "*Hey, get out of my way. I can't get to my cubby!*"

As the children begin to sit on the rug for morning meeting, Susie starts to sit down next to another girl in her class named Melissa. *Melissa makes a face and says, "I'm saving this place for my friend."*

At lunchtime Susie goes to sit at a table with some of the girls in her class. *When she sits down, they all turn their backs toward her and start talking quietly to each other.*

During recess Susie can't find anything to do and sits back to watch the other children playing. When she finally works up enough courage to ask a group if she can play with them they say, "*This is a game for only three people.*"

At the end of the day when Susie's mom picks her up from school she asks, "So how was your day Susie?"

What do you think she said?

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Misunderstandings



Draw a picture of a time that you experienced a misunderstanding.

Describe the misunderstanding.

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Role-Playing Scenarios

<p>Sarah and Tiffany love to play together. One day Sarah wanted to play checkers and Tiffany wanted to play a card game. They started to yell at each other, and then they both started crying and ran into different rooms.</p>	<p>Emma and Michael were working on drawings for their books that they wrote. Emma was using the green pencil. Michael told Emma that he needed it, and she said, "No." Michael grabbed the pencil out of Emma's hand and they started arguing.</p>
<p>John had been building a big castle with blocks. Heather was playing with her jump rope and accidentally knocked over a few blocks. Heather did not say anything and kept jumping rope. John got upset and started yelling at her. Heather yelled back at John.</p>	<p>Billy and Ann have been friends since kindergarten. One day when they were on the playground, Billy wanted to play with some new friends. Ann told Billy that if he played with other people it meant that he was not her friend.</p>
<p>Ashley and Ryan had been working hard on their paintings. When Ashley got up to get a snack, Ryan accidentally spilled juice on Ashley's work. When Ashley came back she saw that her painting had been ruined. She asked Ryan, "What happened?" and he said, "I don't know."</p>	<p>Susan was at the park with her mom. As she was playing on the swings, a girl came up to her and asked if she wanted to play on the monkey bars. Susan felt shy and said, "No." The girl walked away feeling sad.</p>

Guiding Questions

- What happened in this situation?
- What is the conflict?
- How does _____ feel? How does _____ feel?
- How could they have prevented this conflict from happening?
- How can they resolve this conflict?
- Can you role-play this situation again and either prevent or resolve the conflict?

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ABCs of Resolving Conflicts

A _____

B _____

C _____

D _____

A Ask, "What is the problem?"

B Brainstorm some ideas for solving the problem.

C Choose the best idea.

D Do it.

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Our Peace Place

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Predicting the Future

<p>What will happen if you do not say “hello” back to a person who says it to you?</p>	<p>What will happen if you do not say “please” and “thank you” to people?</p>
<p>What will happen if you share with your friends?</p>	<p>What will happen if you put people down?</p>
<p>Bobby and Adam are playing with their race cars. By accident Bobby breaks the tire off of Adam’s car when he is not looking. When Adam discovers that his car is broken, he asks Bobby, “What happened?” Bobby says, “I don’t know.” What will happen the next time they play together?</p>	<p>Joe loves to play soccer. During recess he watches the other children play, but he does not participate because he is afraid the other kids will laugh at him. What will happen if he does the same thing everyday?</p>
<p>Emma’s kindergarten class always has to clean up their room before they can go outside for recess. Emma decides that she doesn’t want to help so she asks if she can go to the bathroom every day during cleanup. How will Emma’s teacher and friends feel?</p>	<p>Sarah and Lily are drawing pictures together. Sarah asks Lily if she can use her coloring book. Lily says, “Yes,” and lets Sarah pick out the picture she would like to color. What will happen the next time they play together?</p>

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Wants and Needs

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