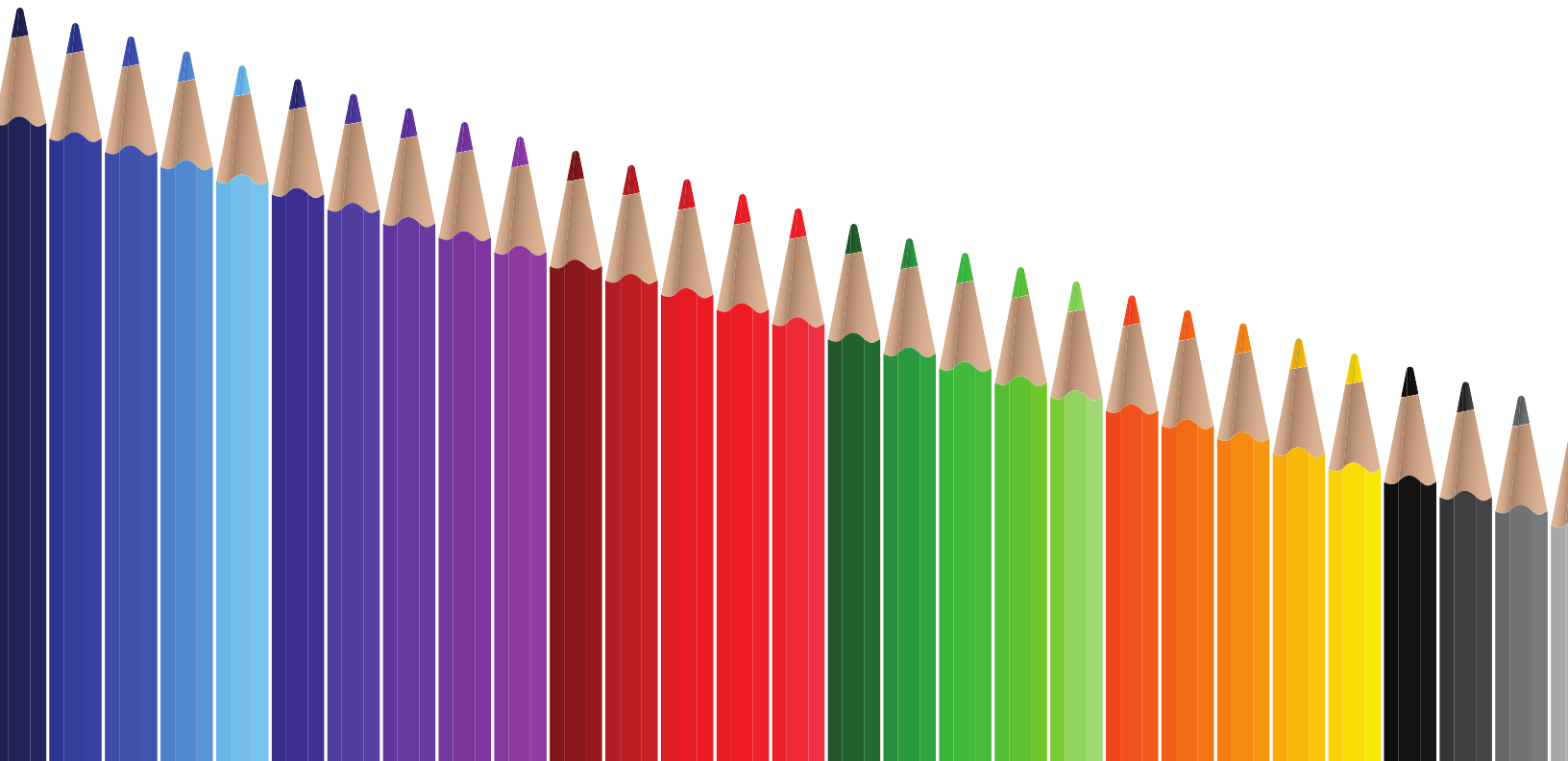


# Back-to-School with Boys Town Training & Press

## Communication



# Communication

Have you ever heard the phrase, *communication is key*? Learning to talk with others, greet someone, get someone's attention and ask for help are all important skills. These skills will help you in every area of your life... for the rest of your life!



# Skills to Review with Students

## Talking with Others

1. Look at the person.
2. Use a pleasant voice.
3. Ask questions.
4. Don't interrupt.

## Introducing Yourself

1. Look at the person. Smile.
2. Use a pleasant voice.
3. Offer a greeting. Say "Hi, my name is..."
4. Shake the person's hand or give them a wave.
5. When you leave, say "It was nice to meet you."

## Choosing Appropriate Words to Say

1. Look at the situation and the people around you.
2. Know the meanings of words you are about to say.
3. Refrain from using words that will offend people around you or that they will not understand.
4. Decide what thought you want to put into words and then say the words.

# Skills to Review with Students

## Getting the Teacher's Attention

1. Look at the teacher.
2. Raise your hand calmly.
3. Wait to be acknowledged by the teacher.
4. Ask questions or make requests in a calm voice.

## Initiating a Conversation

1. Look at the person or people you are talking with.
2. Wait until no one else is talking about another topic.
3. Use a calm, pleasant voice tone.
4. Ask a question of the other person or begin talking about a new conversation topic.
5. Make sure new conversation topics are about appropriate activities and will not offend other people.

## Listening to Others

1. Look at the person who is talking.
2. Sit or stand quietly; avoid fidgeting, yawning, or giggling.
3. Wait until the person is finished speaking before you speak.
4. Show that you understand (say "Okay," "Thanks," or "I see").

# Freddie the Fly: Connecting the Dots

**Directions:** Think about a time when you misunderstood someone. There are clues that can help you connect the dots when you aren't sure what someone means. Use the lines provided to write down different voice tones, facial expressions, and body language that can help you connect the dots.



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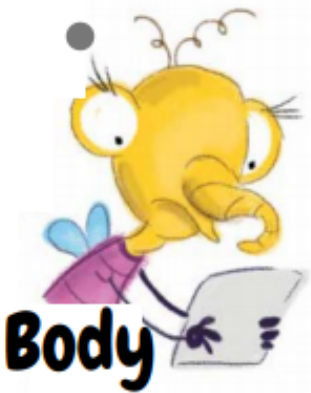
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# Freddie the Fly: Truth or Care

**Directions:** Sort each phrase into one of the buckets by drawing a line from the phrase to the correct bucket. If the phrase is an unnecessary opinion that isn't helpful, put it in the "FLUSH" bucket. If the phrase is kind and truthful, put it in the "SAY" bucket.



That soup tastes like dirt.

Your new haircut makes you look like roadkill.

You seemed like you were having fun singing.

I love the color of your glasses.

Your singing sounded like a shrieking cat.



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# Listening Activity

**Directions:** Interview a classmate. Ask questions to learn more about them. Write their answers below.



**Name of the person you're interviewing:**



**How do you know them?**



**What is their favorite color?**



**What is their favorite food to eat?**



**If your friend could have any superpower what would it be?**



**What is their favorite animal?**



**Draw a picture on the back of this worksheet that shows everything you learned.**

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Empowering Learning Communities | Transforming Social Climates

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- Check out the Boys Town Press for additional resources and books that are designed to support behavior change and skill teaching.

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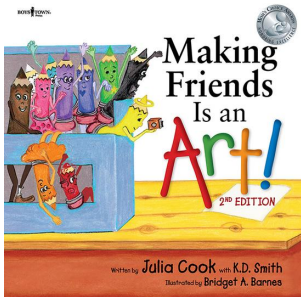


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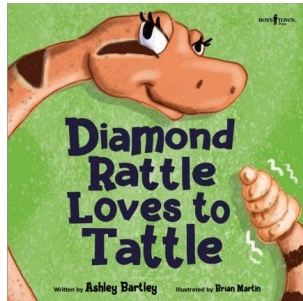
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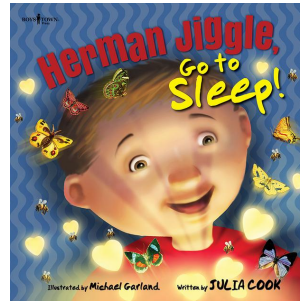
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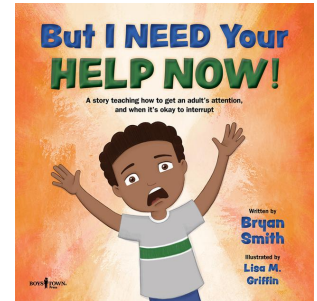
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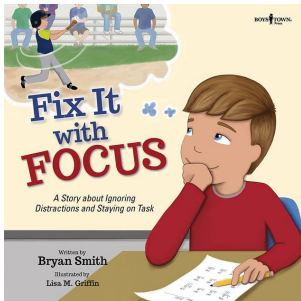
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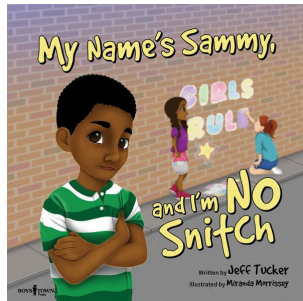
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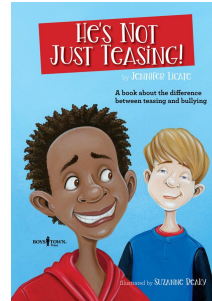
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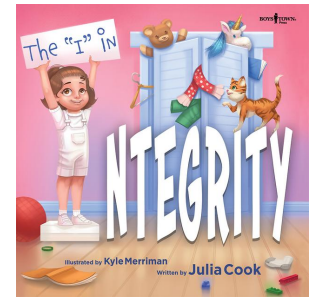
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