

Miscellaneous

The Bus Ride Home

By Marin Barclay

When I go to school I usually ride the bus.

The bus has many steps to get into and get out of the bus.

Sometimes I need help going up and coming down the steps. This is okay. The teacher can help me climb up the steps into the bus. My mom can help me climb down the steps getting off the bus.

They might hold my hand or hold my arm. This is very helpful. It is a safe thing to do.

Riding the bus is safe. Riding the bus can be fun. I can learn to get on and off the bus. My teacher and my mom can be very helpful and help me be safe.

Can Children Share in Clean Up, Too?

Sometimes toys have to be put away. Children learn to share in clean up. They work together at the same time.

If one child cleans up all the toys, it takes a long time. If all the children help to put the toys away, cleaning up is easier and faster!

Correcting Mistakes In Homework

Sometimes I have homework after school.

Sometimes I make mistakes that need correcting. It is okay to make mistakes.

Usually my mother can help me correct some of the answers because she knows the correct answer.

I will try to listen when my mother helps me correct the mistakes. I will listen with a quiet mouth and good hands.

I will try to redo the mistakes so I can finish my homework correctly. It is important to correct my mistakes. It is good when my mother helps me with my homework.

Do We Always Follow the Play Plan?

Sometimes my friend will have a new idea. I may have a new idea, too. If we hear the ice cream truck coming, we may decide to ask mom or dad if we can get an ice cream. We may see a book that we would like to have mom or dad read to us. We may decide to choose other activities. They become part of our plan even if they are not added to our list.

Everybody Has Germs

When I go to school there are a lot of people. All people have germs. This is normal.

Most germs will not make us sick. Our bodies are able to keep us from getting sick most of the time.

Sometimes people come to school with a cold. This is okay.

Usually I won't get sick from being around other people. I will try to stay calm. I will try to continue my schoolwork and follow my teacher's directions.

A Good Place to Play

By Deanne Smith

My name is _____ and I can play outside.

There are many fun things to do when I am outside. There are many places to play outside.

It is important to play where it is safe.

Next to the building where I live there is an area covered with grass. That is a good place to play. It is safe. It has soft grass and cars usually stay off the grass. This is a safe place to play.

It is important to be safe when I play. My family will be happy when I am safe and play on the grass.

How Can I Get My Toy Back?

Once in a while, another child may take my toy while I am playing. I can say, "Please give my toy to me!" This may work.

Sometimes, the child may keep my toy after I ask for it back. I have a choice. I may ask the child again, "Please give my toy to me!" I may also choose to ask an adult for help. Adults know how to help children return toys.

How Do Children Share a Play Area?

Sometimes children share one play area. Children need a little space when they play. A little space is about the length of my arm. Adults can help children learn to play with a little space around them. I can learn to play with a little space between me and the other children. A little space helps children feel comfortable and safe when they play.

How Do We Use our Play Plan?

Our Play Plan is a list of things to do. My friend and I can look at the list. We can find something to do. Sometimes we may choose to do the same activity. It is okay to play alone for a while, too. My mom or dad can help us.

How To Do My Homework With My Mother

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How to Wash Clothes

Sometimes we wash clothes.

Mom knows when to wash clothes.

The washing machine is on when we wash clothes.

Sometimes we do not need to wash clothes, then the washing machine is off.

This is okay.

How Will We Make Plans to Play Again?

It will be fun to make plans with my friend to play again. My parents have my friend's phone number. We can call to make plans to play. My parents have my friend's address. We know how to find my friend's home. We may have my friend's e-mail address. There are many ways to ask my friend to play again.

It is Safe to Use a Toilet

This is a toilet.

People learn to sit on a toilet to pee and poop. This is okay. It is safe to sit on the toilet.

Sometimes, _____ sits on the toilet. This is okay. This is safe for _____.

_____ will try to pee and poop in the toilet. Mom and Dad will be happy when _____ pees and poops in the toilet.

After _____ uses the toilet, it is time to flush the toilet. The toilet makes a sound. Each toilet makes its own sound. It is a safe sound.

It's Okay When the Wind Blows

Sometimes when the wind blows strong it might blow something away.

Sometimes it might blow something out of my hand! This is okay.

When this happens, I can ask my mom or my teacher or another big person to help me.

I will try to ask someone for help when something blows out of my hand.

Learning to Play Fair

It is a good idea to play fair with my friends.

Sometimes my friend may win the game we are playing.

I will try to stay calm if my friend wins a game.

If my friend wins a game, I may ask them to play again. Asking to play again is a friendly thing to do.

It is good to play fair when playing games. That way friends may want to play again.

Letting People Help Me

Sometimes everyone needs help at school Sometimes I need help at school. It is okay to need help. Children can help each other. It is a friendly thing to do.

Children can help me in different ways. Here is my list:

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It is okay to let kids help me.

Loud Noises

By Melanie Smith

Many things make noises.

The noise can be loud. Some things that make loud noises are garage doors, thunderstorms, horns, and school bells

Thunderstorms are usually short. Garage doors, horns and school bells are also very short. When they are finished, the noise stops.

When I hear the noise I will try to stay calm. I am safe.

Playing Ball with Others

By Andrew Owens

My name is _____. Sometimes I play with a basketball. Sometimes I bounce it, sometimes I toss it, sometimes I twirl it.

Sometimes I play with the ball by myself.

Many children like to play with balls. When they play with balls, they have fun. It may be fun to play with balls with other people. When two people play ball together, they can both have fun with the ball.

I can learn to share the ball. Sharing might be fun. It might be fun to play with the ball and the other person.

We can toss the ball back and forth. We can roll the ball back and forth. We can even bounce the ball back and forth.

It can be fun to share the ball and play with others. I will try to share and have fun.

Playing Games

By Jason Harlacher

My name is _____. Sometimes I play games with my friends.

Sometimes my friends win the game. Sometimes I win the game. If my friends win the game, I will try to stay calm.

I can take a deep breath and think “It’s okay, I can win another time.” I can learn to take turns winning.

If I am calm when I play, other people will want to play games with me. It can be fun to play games with my friends.

My friends and I will take turns winning. I will try to stay calm so my friends will want to play games with me.

Smiling

People like others who smile.

Smiling is good because it shows I am happy.

I will try to smile often.

Sometimes if I do not smile, people may think I am sad.

Smiling makes others smile.

Someone Can Help

My name is Spencer. On Monday and Wednesday I go to work at Ben Franklin's Craft store. I have many jobs when I go to work.

Sometimes I work in a team and sometimes I work alone. It is okay to share a job assignment with other students. The supervisor likes it when we work hard and do a good job.

Sometimes we may need help to do the job the way my supervisor wants. It's okay to let my supervisor help me to do the job the right way. I can be a better worker. It is okay to have help sometimes.

(I will try to listen and do the job the way the supervisor wants it done.)

Use of Personal Energy

By Sandy Johnson

Sometimes my teacher gives me instructions and assignments. My teacher expects me to do them.

Working at school and doing assignment takes energy.

Getting upset uses some energy. When I am upset, that uses a lot of my energy

When I use my energy in being upset, I might get only half my assignments done.

I need my energy to finish my assignment.

When I stay calm, I can use my energy on my assignments.

I will try to stay calm so I can put my energy into my assignments.

What Do I Say When My Friend Leaves?

My friend is coming to my home today. We will play from _____ until about _____. When my friend has to leave, I might say, "Thank you for coming!" My friend may play at my home again. We may play at my friend's home sometime. Our parents can help us plan to play together.

What Happens at Scout Camp

By Donna Owens

Sometimes I go camping with my dad. Usually my dad and I pack the car with a tent, food, and our clothes.

We usually drive to a place to meet other scouts and scout leaders. Then we drive to the camping area.

We unpack our things. There are usually lots of tents and boys at the camping area.

There are different things to do at camp. Sometimes we:

roast marshmallows over a campfire at night
or listen to the Governor or another speaker
or sometimes we trade pins with other scouts

On the last day of camp, we pack up our things in our vehicles, say good-bye to our friends, and drive home. Boys can have fun at camp. I will try to have fun.

What Is a Wake/Funeral

Sometimes people die.

When people die, their family usually has a wake/funeral.

A wake/funeral is a special time when people remember the person who died and tell each other they are going to miss that person.

Sometimes at a wake/funeral the person who died is placed in a special box called a casket.

Sometimes the casket is open so people can see the person who died.

Sometimes the casket is closed and there is just a picture of the person who died.

At a wake/funeral people are usually very quiet.

Sometimes people are crying because they miss the person who died.

It is okay to cry. It is also okay not to cry.

At a wake/funeral people usually walk up to the casket and are very quiet for just a minute or two.

Then they usually wait in the funeral home or outside.

I will probably wait outside.

If I have any questions, I can ask mom or dad when I am OUTSIDE.

I will try to be very quiet in the funeral home.

I will also try to ask my questions OUTSIDE.

Mom and dad will tell me when the wake/funeral is over.

What Will We Do Today?

Today a friend is coming to my house. My mom or dad can help us make a list of things we may do. I may have some ideas. My friend may have some ideas, too. A good list of play ideas has my choices and my friend's choices, too! This is called a Play Plan.

When I Feel Something in My Nose

My name is _____. Sometimes I have something that I can feel inside my nose.

Sometimes I may not like the feel of something in my nose.

When I feel something in my nose, I may ask the teacher for a tissue. I may use the tissue to blow my nose to clean it out.

Other people will be happy when I use a tissue to blow my nose. It is a healthy thing to do.

When I Use the Toilet

By Lisa Elmer

My name is _____. I use my hands to do many things. When I need to go pee or poop, my hands help me to use the toilet.

I can use my hands to pull my pants up or down. I can use my hands to flush the toilet. I can use my hands to hold the toilet paper to wipe my bottom after I pee or poop.

Most people wash their hands after they go pee or poop in the toilet or use the toilet. It is a healthy thing to do. It is important to wash my hands after every time I go pee or poop or use the toilet.

I will try to wash my hands each time I use the toilet. My teacher can help me if I need help to wash my hands.

When the Wind Blows

Fresh air and the outdoors are very nice things.

Sometimes when I am outside the wind blows!

Sometimes the wind blows softly.

Sometimes the wind blows **STRONG!**

It's okay when the wind blows.

Which Toys Are Mine?

I have toys that are “my toys”. These are the toys that stay with me in my home. My mom or dad may help me find a place to keep my toys.

My mom or dad may help me label my toys with a special sticker or my name. That will help me know for sure which toys are mine.

Who Decides Which Toys We Play With at My Home?

Sometimes a friend comes to play at my home. Some of my toys are special to me. It is okay to put them away while my friend is over to play.

It is friendly to choose some of my toys to share with my friend. My mom or dad can help me choose toys to share. When it is time for my friend to leave my shared toys stay with me.

Will My Friend Use My Toys?

A friend is coming to my home. My friend is hoping to have a turn playing with my toys. I may let my friend play with my toys for a short time. This is called sharing my toys.

My friend knows my toys belong to me. He knows my toys stay with me when we are finished playing. Someday, my friend may share his toys with me.

Working at a Job Site

I like working with animals and being around other people who like animals, too.

When I go into the shelter, I smile and say hello to the other volunteers.

I put my jacket in the office.

I check the bulletin board for my schedule.

I write down my duties for the day. I do this so I won't forget and become upset.

I go visit the dogs and see if they have enough food.

I go to the office and wait behind the desk. I can read, if no one comes in.

I also play with the cats if no one comes in.

When people come into the office, I greet them and ask if I can help them.

If I don't know the answer to a question, I ask _____.

When I work hard and do a good job, my boss will know I'm a good volunteer. I'll be happy, too, because I can keep working with animals.

Why Do Children Make Mistakes When They Play?

Most children make mistakes once in a while when they play with others. They may accidentally break a toy. They may forget how to take turns. They may become tired and say something that is not very nice.

Making mistakes is how children learn to play together. Moms and dads can help when children make mistakes. They have ideas to help children have fun again.