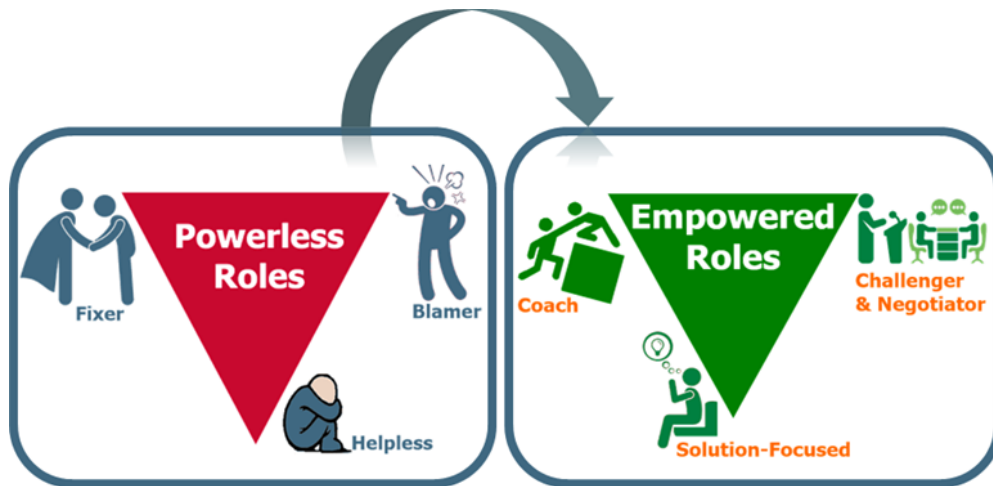


A POSITIONS STORY



Following the information last week about the roles we can take, here is a story where the characters take different positions, or roles, at different times. Can you read the story with your child and try to spot all the positions within the story?

Queen Bobleena was upset because the people who lived in her kingdom kept dropping litter and making it look messy. She would grumble to King Bob, saying 'Those dirty and disgusting people are ruining my kingdom.' and 'How can I be expected to have a lovely kingdom when the people keep ruining it?'

Every day Queen Bobleena would go and shout at the people but they kept dropping litter every time she wasn't looking. In the end she almost gave up. She cried and hid behind her throne. 'It's no good.' she said, 'I'm a useless queen. I can't even keep the kingdom tidy!'

Her favourite gardener came in and found her crying. She asked Bobleena what was wrong and listened to her carefully. She then asked her what she thought was going wrong. She asked her what she thought might make a difference. The queen began to think what might help to change things.

She decided to invite all her people to come and have a feast with her. When they were happy and full up she asked them to listen. She said to them 'When I see litter all over the kingdom I think that people don't care about our home. I worry that the animals will be hurt and no one will be happy living somewhere dirty. This makes me feel worried and upset. It would be so much better for me if everyone could put their rubbish in a bin!' The people asked if they could have more bins to make it easier, but agreed that it would be better for everyone if the kingdom looked good and the animals were safe.

From that day on, the kingdom was tidier and better for everyone; animals and people. Bobleena was happier, and she'd learnt that being a problem solver and a challenger was the most effective way to make changes!