

Sticky Situation #2

Self-Awareness

You Can't Play With Her Anymore

Raya plays with Brandy and Mila every day. Brandy is the most popular girl in Raya's class. One day, Brandy tells Raya that she does not like Mila. She tells Raya not to play with Mila anymore. Raya doesn't want to lose Brandy's friendship. But she likes Mila, too.



Talk/Write About It

- **Should Raya let Brandy choose who she can and cannot play with? Why or why not?**
- **How would you feel if someone told you that you can't play with a friend anymore? What would you do?**



Sticky Situation #41

Self-Management

Late Report

Andrew has a book report due tomorrow. His teacher assigned it last week. But he does not begin reading his book until the night before it's due. He knows he won't have time to finish the book and write the report. He's worried his teacher will give him a bad grade. She might even send a note home to his parents.

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Talk/Write About It

- **What should Andrew have done differently?**
- **What should Andrew do next time he has a report due? What advice would you give Andrew?**



Sticky Situation #75

Social Awareness

Grandma's Birthday

Jimmy's grandma is celebrating her 75th birthday on Saturday. Jimmy's family already made plans to celebrate with her. Then, Ken, a classmate, invites Jimmy to his birthday party on the same day. All of Jimmy's friends will be there. He really wants to go. But he doesn't want to hurt his grandmother's feelings.

Talk/Write About It

- Imagine Jimmy telling his grandmother and his family that he can't come to her party. How would they feel?
- Imagine Jimmy telling Ken he can't come to his party. How would Ken feel? What should Jimmy do?



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Sticky Situation #121

Relationship Skills

Old Friends and New

Tina moved to a new school. She still keeps in touch with friends from her old school. Tina invites kids from both schools to her birthday party. She soon realizes that may have been a mistake. Her friends from her new school are keeping to themselves. Tina wants everyone at the party to get along and have a good time.

Talk/Write About It

- **What can Tina do to make her two sets of friends like each other?**
- **What games have you played that help “break the ice”? Make a list of games Tina can introduce to help her friends get to know one another.**



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Sticky Situation #171

Decision-Making

Careful Rider

May is only allowed to ride her bike around the block. One day, the kids in the neighborhood decide to ride to the park. That's about a mile away. May is a careful rider. She really wants to go with her friends.

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Talk/Write About It

- What do you think May should do?
- Write four sentences explaining why it's important for May to get her parents' permission before joining her friends.



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Sticky Situation #23

Self-Awareness

Piano vs. Basketball

Jae takes piano lessons every Wednesday after school, but now he has a chance to join the basketball team. The team practices every day after school, including Wednesdays. Jae doesn't want to stop taking piano lessons, but he is more excited about playing basketball than anything else.

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Talk/Write About It

- **What do you think Jae should do? Is there a way he could do both of these things that he likes to do? How?**
- **Have you ever been torn between two different interests, like Jae? Write a paragraph about your experience and how you handled it.**



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Sticky Situation #33

Self-Management

No Video Chats

Ashley's parents told her she couldn't use the computer to video chat with her friends until her grades get better. Her friends are planning a video chat tonight, and Ashley wants to join in. Her parents are going out, and her older brother is looking after her. He doesn't know their parents' rule.

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Talk/Write About It

- If Ashley breaks the rule, how might she feel afterward? Write a paragraph about how doing something you're not supposed to do makes you feel.



Sticky Situation #76

Social Awareness

How to Say Sorry

Dominique and Amanda got into an argument at school. Amanda said she didn't like Dominique's favorite band. Later, both of them realized that their argument was silly. Still, each friend thought the other should be the first to apologize.

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Talk/Write About It

- **Have you ever had an argument with a friend and realized later that it really wasn't worth fighting over? How did you resolve your conflict?**
- **What should Dominique and Amanda do?**



Sticky Situation #120

Relationship Skills

Not Making the Grade

Luis and his best friend, Sean, are doing a history project. Luis does more work than Sean. He complains to Sean, but nothing changes. When they hand in their work, the teacher has students grade each other. Luis does not want to give Sean a bad grade, but he thinks Sean has not earned a good one.

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Talk/Write About It

- **What might happen if Luis gives Sean the grade he deserves? What might happen if he doesn't?**
- **What do you think Luis should do?**



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Sticky Situation #168

Decision-Making

Broken Window

Dante and Alexa are playing soccer in their yard. Alexa kicks the ball over Dante's head, and it breaks their neighbors' window. The ball bounces back onto the neighbors' lawn. Alexa says if they go and get their soccer ball, the neighbors could see them and discover how the window broke. Dante says they should confess.

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Talk/Write About It

- **What do you think Dante and Alexa should do?**
- **Write an imaginary conversation between Dante and Alexa as they discuss what they should do.**

