



Classroom Activity - Role Playing

Forgiveness / S'lichah

Teacher's Guide

Below is an example of an activity that creates an opportunity for children to reflect upon what they do, what they are capable of, and how they can practice forgiveness.

Discussion: Discuss the times when you upset someone or they upset you. We are going to practice saying we are sorry when we feel sorry.

Supplies: Building blocks

Activity: Choose two children to role-play each scenario.
One child builds a castle with blocks and another child knocks it down.

For Example:

Scenario 1:

SAY to the First Actor: "Pretend you are building a castle."

SAY to the Second Actor: "Pretend you walk into the room and you accidentally knock the castle down. You do not say that you are sorry. You do not help rebuild it and you walk away."

Scenario 2:

SAY to the First Actor: "Pretend you are building a castle."

SAY to the Second Actor: "Pretend you walk into the room and accidentally knock the castle down. Say you are sorry and help rebuild it."

SAY to the First Actor: "When he says he is sorry say, 'I forgive you.'"

Discussion: Discuss with the children which scenario would make them feel less upset and more forgiving if it happened to them.

Repeat: Give other children a turn to practice forgiveness by allowing them to suggest additional scenarios.



"Sometimes another person may do or say something that upsets you or makes you angry. We are going to learn how to say we are sorry and how to forgive someone."