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Lesson 7: Conflicting Feelings



What Is My Child Learning?

Your child is learning how to notice and understand feelings in him- or herself and others.

Why Is It Important?

Understanding that everyone can experience different feelings and perspectives helps children get along better with others.

Ask your child: What is it called when you feel or understand what another person is feeling? *Second Step* answer: Having empathy.

Read Together

You've been learning a lot about feelings. You've learned these things:

- People can have different feelings and perspectives about the same situation.
- People's feelings and perspectives can change.
- People can have conflicting feelings about a situation.

Noticing and understanding other people's feelings helps you have empathy for them. Understanding and accepting how you are similar to and different from others helps you get along better with them.

Practise Together: Two Thumbs Up!

- 1. Each person decide if you do or do not like doing each activity.
- 2. Show your preference by ticking off a thumbs-up for yes or thumbs-down for no.
- **3.** Under the 'Same?' column, tick off a thumbs-up if you both had the same preference or a thumbs-down if you did not.
- **4.** Count how many times you had the same preference, and record the number below.

Activity	Child		Adult		Same?	
Playing soccer						
Writing a story						
Digging in dirt						
Being alone						
Staying up late						
Baking cupcakes						
Doing puzzles						
Petting a cat						
Braiding hair						
Sorting laundry						
How many times did you have the same preference?						
(CHILD'S NAME)			(DATF)		(ADUIT'S SIGNATURE)	