



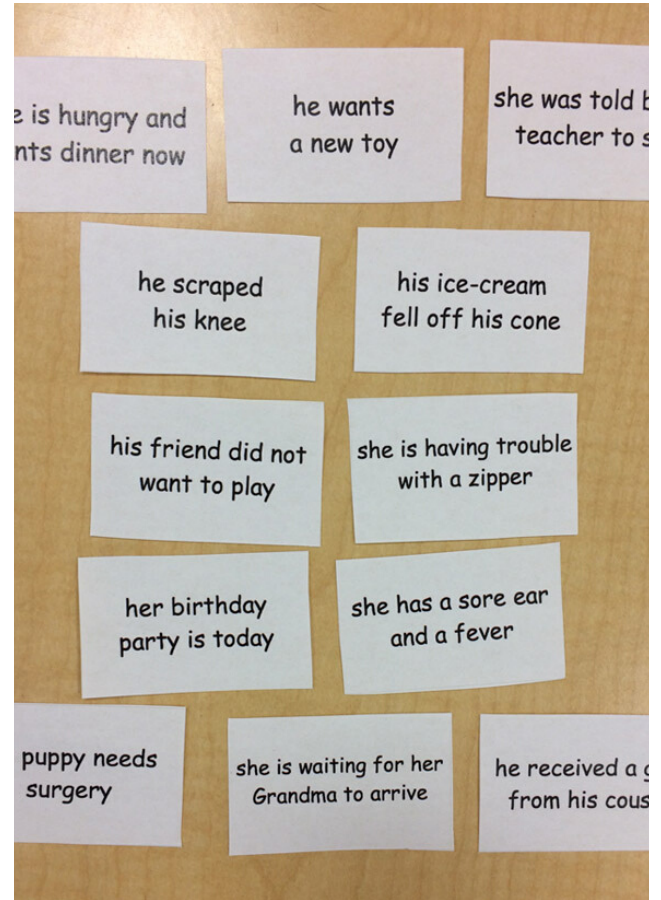
SITUATION CARDS

Situation Cards can be used as either a part of a class discussion or as a writing assignment. They can be used over and over and in a multitude of ways.

Steps:

Print out a series of cards with different situations on them. Examples:

- He dropped his ice cream
- She fell and scraped her knee
- He had his toy taken by another kid
- Her friend said mean words
- He has to redo his homework because it was wrong
- Her friend didn't want to play
- He is hungry but lunch is a long way away
- She got in trouble with the teacher



There are a variety of ways you can use these cards.

First, have students pick a card and then discuss how the person would feel in that scenario. Is there more than one feeling they might feel? Why would they feel that way? How would others around them feel? How can they solve that problem by themselves?

Second, have students repeat the exercise with a different scenario. This time, have them imagine they were watching this happen to someone else. How would they feel? How would they feel if they helped the person? How would they feel if they didn't help? How could they help a person in that situation feel better?

You can also use these as writing exercises! Have them write a story about what would happen next and how everyone would feel about the situation. How would they all solve the problem together? How would the solution make people feel?