

Positive And Negative Outcomes*

ACTIVITY

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Learning Objective: To teach children what can happen if conflicts remain unresolved

Skill: Social awareness

Tell the children:

It's important to solve conflicts for many reasons. If a conflict remains unresolved, negative feelings remain. Here's what can happen:

- *Everyone is "for himself" and sticks to his position.*
- *No one gets what he wants or needs.*
- *Emotions flare and tempers get out of hand.*
- *Feelings are hurt and relationships suffer.*
- *Violence may result.*

If people work together toward conflict resolution, positive feelings and outcomes emerge:

- *People listen to each other, respect one another, and cooperate.*
- *Views are clarified and problems are dealt with.*
- *Relationships and communication are improved.*
- *Better ideas are produced to solve the conflict.*
- *Everyone gets what he wants and needs.*

Distribute Activity Sheet 101. When the children have completed it, ask them to share their positive and negative outcomes for each situation.

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ACTIVITY SHEET

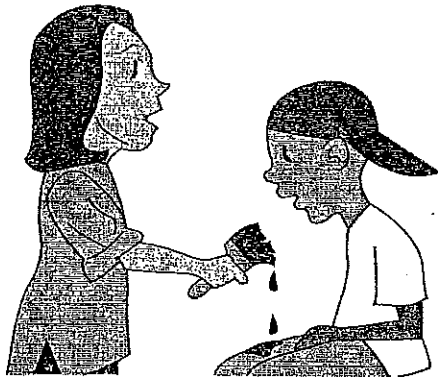
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Name _____

Date _____

Think of a positive and negative outcome for each situation.

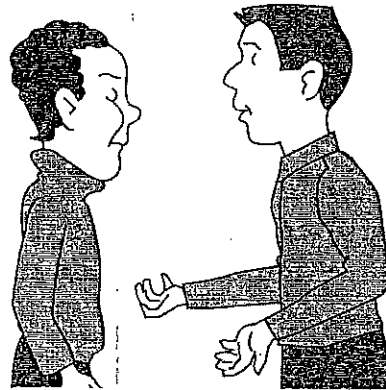
A girl accidentally drops paint on a boy's pants.



Positive outcome _____

Negative outcome _____

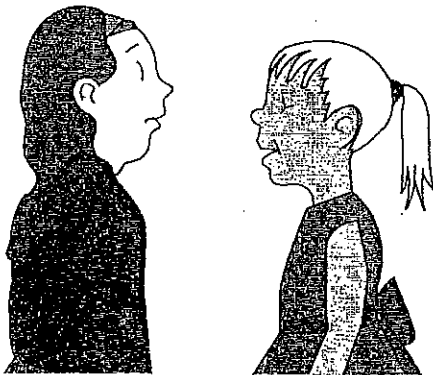
A boy borrows another boy's bat and loses it.



Positive outcome _____

Negative outcome _____

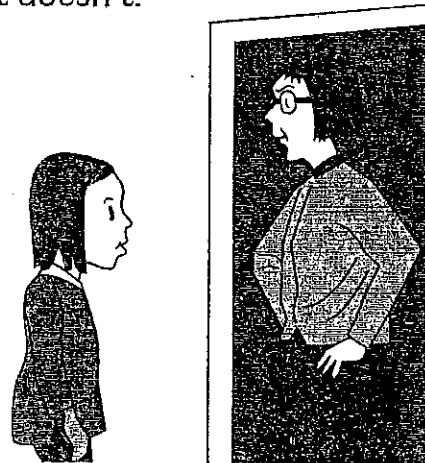
A girl makes plans with one friend and tells the other she's busy.



Positive outcome _____

Negative outcome _____

A girl says she'll clean her room but doesn't.



Positive outcome _____

Negative outcome _____