

# Teach how to recognise emotions and options for expressing feelings

A suggestion for implementing the strategy 'Support emotional wellbeing and positive mental health' from the Guide: Behaviour and learning

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## **Utilise literacy activities**

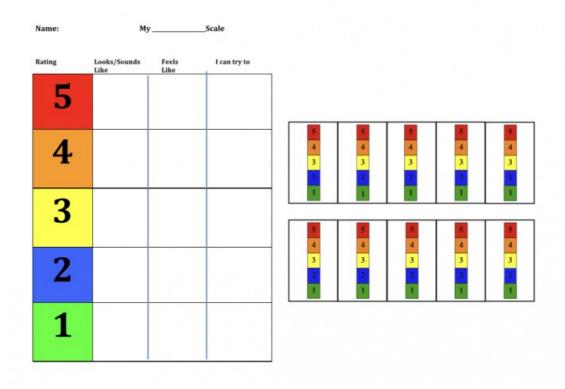
Teaching social and emotional learning as part of literacy lessons has a significant impact on students' learning and wellbeing.



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#### **Offer 5-point colour scales**



Source: The Incredible 5-Point Scale https://www.5pointscale.com/

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## Create playful opportunities for practice

Include within the curriculum activities that involve social interaction and emotional responsibility, or the ability to respond emotionally.

Use these recommendations in the classroom.



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Source: Understood (US) https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbXMoF3-74hj2lhLCIp3C-A

#### **Tools for managing anger triggers**

Support students to recognise and manage the situations that trigger anger.

Visit the **Anger trigger analysis** toolkit to explore these resources:

- ✓ anger trigger analysis graphic organiser
- ✓ picture choices calm down strategies
- ✓ behaviour goal planning and reflection graphic organiser

## **Reflective questions**

Adapt for your own context.

- ✓ Where in the curriculum can you include specific teaching about emotions?
- ✓ How could you increase students' expressive language so they can identify their emotions more accurately?

#### **Useful resources**



Managing emotions: Sparklers

Classroom activities designed for students in years 1-8.

Publisher: Sparklers

Visit website



Anger trigger analysis

Definition of anger trigger analysis and resources to support identifying triggers.

Publisher: Goalbook

Visit website

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