

Programme Curricula

Zippy's Friends programme - ages 5-7



Module 1 – Feelings		
To improve children's abilities to recognise different emotions and to identify strategies to cope with difficult feelings.		
Session 1 - Feeling sad – feeling happy	To improve children's abilities to recognise feeling sad and to identify ways to cope.	
Session 2 - Feeling angry or annoyed	To improve children's abilities to recognise feelings of anger and annoyance and to identify ways to cope with these feelings.	
Session 3 - Feeling jealous	To improve children's abilities to identify jealousy and to learn ways to cope with this feeling.	
Session 4 - Feeling nervous	To improve children's abilities to recognise feeling nervous and to identify ways to cope with difficult feelings.	

Module 2 – Communication		
To improve children's abilities to communicate their feelings and listen to other people.		
Session 1 - Improving communication	To improve children's abilities to recognise effective and ineffective ways of expressing how they feel.	
Session 2 - Listening	To improve children's abilities to listen to other people.	
Session 3 - Who can help us?	To improve children's abilities to ask for help.	
Session 4 - Saying what we want to say	To improve children's abilities to communicate their feelings and listen to other people.	

Module 3 – Making and breaking relationships		
To improve children's abilities to make friends and to cope with rejection and loneliness.		
Session 1 - How to be a good friend	To improve children's abilities to be a good friend.	
Session 2 - Dealing with loneliness and rejection	To improve children's abilities to cope with loneliness and rejection.	
Session 3 - How to resolve conflicts with friends	To improve children's abilities to resolve conflicts with their friends.	
Session 4 - How to make friends	To improve children's abilities to make friends.	

Module 4 – Solving problems		
To improve children's abilities to solve problems.		
Session 1 - How to recognise helpful solutions	To increase children's abilities to recognise characteristics of a helpful solution.	
Session 2 - Dealing with bullying	To improve children's abilities to deal with situations involving bullying.	
Session 3 - Solving problems	To improve children's abilities to solve problems, particularly when they are angry.	
Session 4 - Helping others solve problems	To improve children's abilities to help others solve problems.	

Module 5 – Dealing with change and loss		
To improve children's abilities to cope with change and loss.		
Session 1 - Change and loss are part of life	To increase children's understanding that change and loss are part of normal everyday experiences.	
Session 2 - Coping with death	To increase children's understanding that death is a normal part of life, and to improve their abilities to cope with situations involving grief and loss.	
Session 3 - Honouring those who have died	To improve children's abilities to talk about death and loss.	
Session 4 - Learning from change and loss	To improve children's understanding that change an loss can have positive effects.	

Module 6 – Moving forward		
To improve children's abilities to use a variety of coping strategies in different situations.		
Session 1 - Different ways to cope	To improve children's abilities to use different coping strategies.	
Session 2 - How to help others	To improve children's abilities to help others cope with different situations.	
Session 3 - Adapting to new situations	To improve children's abilities to apply their coping skills to new situations.	
Session 4 - Celebrating together	To review what we have learned during Zippy's Friends and to celebrate together.	