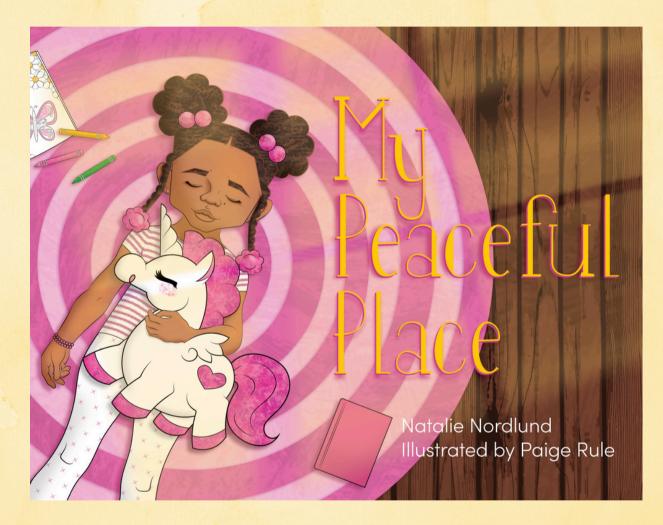
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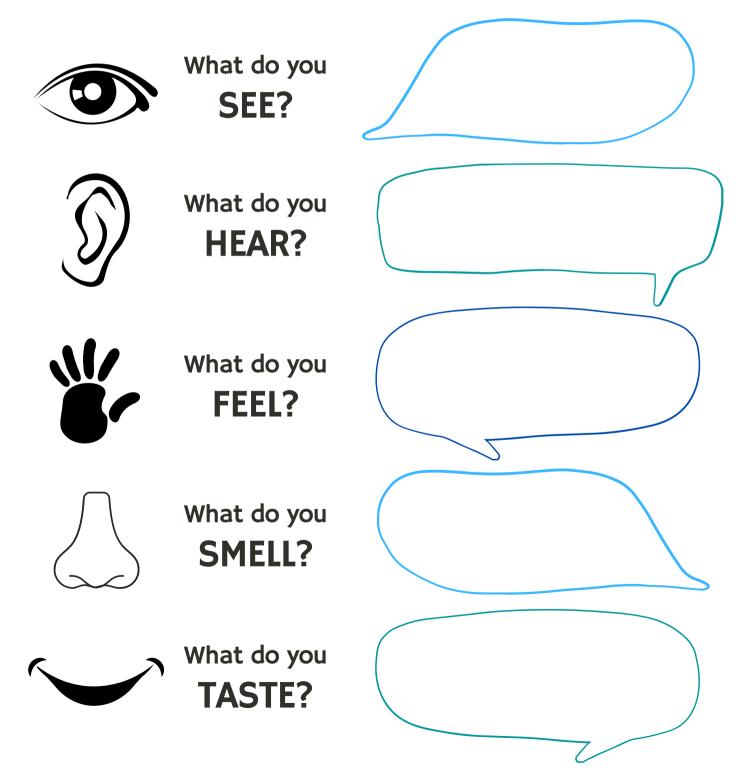
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This book belongs to:

Imagining My Peaceful Place

Imagine and visualize your peaceful place. What do you experience in each of your five senses?



Where is My Peaceful Place?

After you have imagined your peaceful place, *draw a picture of your peaceful place below.*



SOME EMOTIONS

THAT MAY BE

UNCOMFORTABLE

angry

sad

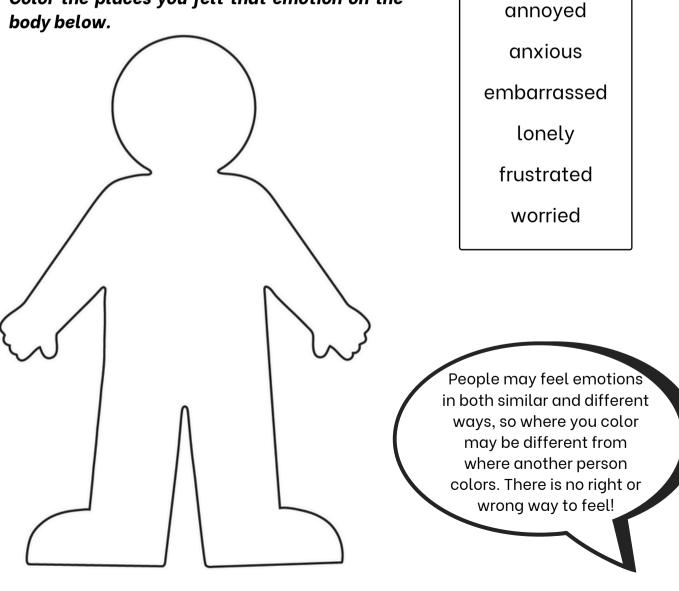
scared

Noticing My Emotions in My Body

To know when we might need to imagine our peaceful place, we need to notice when we are experiencing uncomfortable emotions. Our bodies can often help us know!

Choose and circle one uncomfortable emotion from the list that you have felt recently.

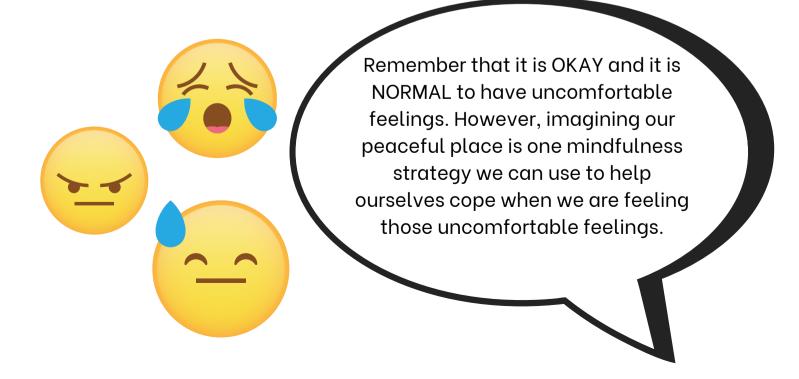
Where did you feel that emotion in your body? Color the places you felt that emotion on the body below.



Recognizing Situations that May Make Me Feel Uncomfortable Emotions

There are often situations that may cause us to experience uncomfortable feelings. These situations can be different for different people, and may change throughout your life.

During what situations can you think of that you might feel uncomfortable feelings? Write them below.



My Coping Toolbox

You have just added one calming strategy to your **coping toolbox** to help you cope with uncomfortable feelings: imagining your peaceful place!

However, it is important that we have various safe and healthy coping tools in our toolbox that we can use when needed. These are often different for different people. For example, while exercising might be in one person's toolbox, another person may be able to better cope through making art, and someone else might prefer spending time with family.

Write down three other coping tools below in YOUR coping toolbox.

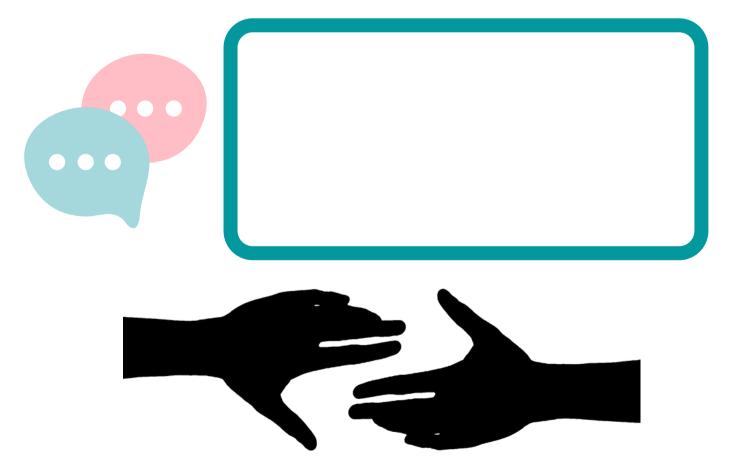


Asking for Help

There may be situations where using coping strategies is not enough, and you may need to talk with or ask for help from a trusted adult.

For example, this might include times when you don't feel safe, are being mistreated or disrespected, or have been feeling uncomfortable emotions for awhile and not much seems to help.

Think of your **safe people**, or trusted adults you could go to if you need help or need to talk about how you're feeling. *Write down your safe people below.*



MY SAFE PEOPLE:

Take a deep breath.

My mind is **beautiful** and **powerful**.

It's okay to feel what I am feeling.

It's okay to ask for help.

I choose to love me, and to take care of my mind.

My mind is **beautiful** and **powerful**.

Thank Yoy!

Thank you so much for downloading this resource and for your commitment and dedication to cultivating children's socialemotional development and well-being.

-- Natalie

Instructions

This resource is best printed double-sided. After reading aloud the children's picture book *My Peaceful Place*, written by Natalie Nordlund and illustrated by Paige Rule, walk through and discuss the activities within this activity book with your children/students as they complete them. Activities coincide with the book as well as the activities and discussion questions presented in the back of the book. Resources can be easily adapted or accommodated for children who have difficulties with reading or writing skills.

Visit Natalie Nordlund's <u>Linktree</u> to see where you can purchase your copy of *My Peaceful Place*. A read-aloud video is also available on YouTube <u>here</u>.

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