## Lesson Overview and Areas of Focus

## Unit 1: Social Skill Development



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2.1 Chasing Squirrels:	2.2 The Important Link:	2.3 How I Feel:	2.4 How Do You Do?:	2.5 Friends Fur-ever:
Setting Reachable Goals	Making Responsible Decisions	Identifying and Managing Emotions	Effective Communication	Bonding and Relationships
Students learn the steps to setting and reaching personal goals. Students also learn to identify personal strengths as areas of which they can set their own personal goal.	Students learn the benefits of stopping to think before making a decision. Students also learn to predict the positive and negative consequences of choices before making a decision.	Students learn to recognize a vari- ety of emotions and the physical signals associated with specific emotions. Students learn to manage their emotions and express their feelings using an I-message.	Students learn to use polite, as- sertive communication. Students also learn and demonstrate active listening skills to show car- ing and respect to others.	Students compare healthy and unhealthy friendship qualities and learn the benefits of bonding with pro-social others. Students also learn approaches to making and keeping friends.
<ul> <li>Define a Goal</li> <li>Describe the steps to Name a Reachable Goal</li> <li>Name a Personal Goal</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Benefits of stopping to think before making a decision</li> <li>Understanding Consequences</li> <li>Learning how to predict consequences</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Identify Various Feelings</li> <li>Verbal and Non-Verbal Expression</li> <li>Feelings and Behavior</li> <li>Using I-Messages</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Making Introductions</li> <li>Non-Verbal Communication</li> <li>Assertive speaking with I- Messages</li> <li>Active Listening Skills</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Healthy Friendship Qualities</li> <li>Benefits of Prosocial Behavior</li> <li>Approaches to making and keeping friends</li> <li>Apply Effective Communica- tion to Support Others</li> </ul>
Unit 2: Social Skill Application				
2.6 Respectfully Yours:	2.7 Peaceable Pups:	2.8 How to handle Frustration	2.9 Safety Monitor:	2.10 Possibilities
<b>2.6 Respectfully Yours:</b> Respect for Self and Others		<b>2.8 How to handle Frustration</b> without Howling: Anger Management & Mindfulness	<b>2.9 Safety Monitor:</b> Identifying and Managing Bullying Situations	2.10 Possibilities Problem Solving

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