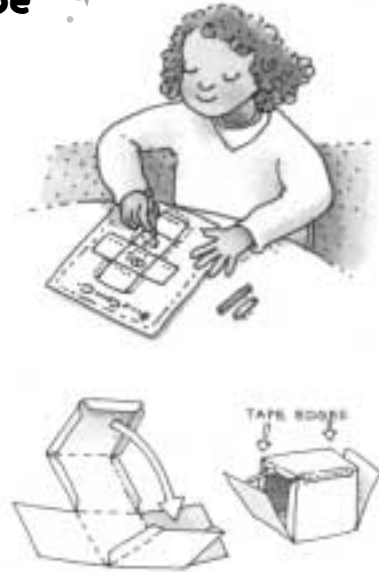




Build a Conflict Cube

Put peacemaking skills at your students' fingertips with Conflict Cubes they can make themselves. Here's how:

1. Give each student a copy of the reproducible on page 34.
2. In each square, have students illustrate each of the ways listed to resolve and avoid conflict: use I-messages, talk things out, take time to cool off, listen carefully, reach a compromise, and treat others with respect.
3. Show students how to assemble a cube by cutting, folding, and taping the edges together.



Build a Conflict Cube—Follow-Up Activities

☀ What Will I Do?

Divide the class into small groups. Invite group members to invent conflict scenarios, such as “Jessica spilled milk on your desk and won’t clean it up. What will you do?” One at a time, group members roll their story boxes and respond by using the strategy that is shown on top. (A child who rolls “Use I-messages” might say, “I don’t like having milk spilled on my desk because my papers will get wet. Please help me clean it up.”)

☀ Roll a Story.

Have students roll their cubes and write, draw, or act out stories based on what lands on top. For example, their stories might be about someone listening carefully or treating someone else with respect.

☀ Use Cubes to Resolve Conflicts.

Encourage students to solve mild conflicts by rolling a Conflict Cube and using the strategy that appears on top.

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