

Problems and Solutions

Management Tip: resolving problems

I have card props that give my students the skills to solve their own problems instead of tattling. I put a bug and wish card on a metal ring. When a child is doing something to upset another child and isn't causing a danger that I should know about, the upset youngster picks up a metal ring. She holds up the bug card and says, "It bugs me when you [current problem]." Then she holds up the wish card and says, "I wish you would [solution to the problem]." This method has been very effective.

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