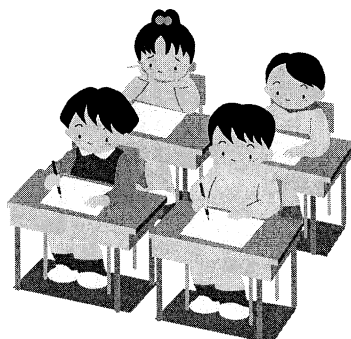


**Belknap-Merrimack Head Start
Cool Tools for Teaching the Big Bs**



School-wide Expectation: Make It Better

Location: Classroom

Name of the Skill: If you destroy, help rebuild it.

Developed by:

Date:

Purpose of the Lesson/Why It's Important:

Teaching Examples:

Bring a small group of children to the block area. Every child takes a block from the shelf and places it down to make a structure. Children continue doing this until the structure falls down. Teacher instructs the children "make it better by helping to rebuild it". The children and staff rebuild structure.

There is play dough on the table formed into a snowman. Teacher comes along and sweeps it onto the floor. She then asks "how can you make it better?". The teacher then picks up play dough from floor and reshapes it.

A Non-example: Teacher knocks a puzzle off the shelf and goes on to play. The children then discuss the expectation and problem-solve - what should have been done to make the situation better?

Child Activities/Role Plays:

During the day look for opportunities to reinforce/revisit the expectation. Point these opportunities out to the other children who may not have been directly involved.

Follow-Up/Reinforcement Activities: