POSITIVE GUIDANCE CASE STUDIES

Discuss the case studies as a class.

1. Your child, who is in kindergarten, arrives home, proudly carrying a new toy. When you question him about the toy, he tells you that his friend gave it to him.

2. A baby is sitting in an infant seat. Your toddler walks over to the baby and begins hitting the baby on top of the head. The toddler does not realize how forcefully she is hitting the baby.

3. Your 5-year-old son is playing with his friend. When your son refuses to play the game that the friend wants to play, the friend says, "If you will not do what I want to do then I am going home."

4. You are grocery shopping with your two children, ages 3 and 6. You are in a hurry and the children are constantly begging for treats.

5. Your 15-month-old child is walking very well and is able to open drawers and cupboards. Several times, you have found her reaching into the utensil drawer and climbing in the cabinet under the sink to play with the cleaning fluids.

6. Your children are outside playing with some friends. Two of the children have monopolized the teeter-totter and refuse to allow anyone else to have a turn.

7. You have just put your 5-year-old to bed and now you are trying to catch up on some work. He keeps calling to you and requesting drinks, trips to the bathroom, stories, etc.

8. A handicapped child has just moved into your neighborhood. One night your 6-year-old child comes home singing a chant that she has learned from other children that pokes fun at the handicapped child.

9. It is early in the morning and you are in a hurry to get to work. Your 3-year-old child refuses to wear the clothes that you have set out for him to wear. He insists that they "tickle him" and refuses to wear anything other than the same clothes that he wore yesterday.

10. Your 4-year-old child has just finished an art project and has put all of her supplies away.