BEHAVIORAL NEEDS SITUATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS: For each of the situations listed below, identify which basic behavioral need(s) the child is expressing.

1. Peter, age 2 1/2 goes to church with his father. His father becomes very upset because Peter will not sit quietly. ________________

2. Mother asks David to help clear the table. David says, "I can't. I'm too little. I'll drop the dishes." ________________

3. A father has taken his son out to fish for the first time. The boy keeps snagging his hook and getting mixed up in what he should do. ________________

4. It is about 11 in the morning. Mary and John have been playing peacefully with the tinker toys. Gradually tempers flare and they begin quarreling over the pieces and hitting each other. ________________

5. Two boys are climbing the jungle gym. They call to a third boy to come join them. The third boy walks away and says he doesn't want to climb. ________________

6. A group of children in the day care center are playing in the housekeeping area. One child is the mother, another the father, and others are members of the family. Another child comes into the group to play but is immediately rejected. The rejected child begins to cry. ________________

7. A 4-year-old takes his big brother's knife and tries to cut a carrot. As a result, he cuts his finger. ________________

8. Jane, a 3-year-old, goes into her mother's bedroom and sees a lipstick on the dresser. She opens it and paints all over her mother's bedspread. ________________
9. Mary, a 5-year-old, usually goes to bed without any fuss. However, tonight, mother is having a party and the child comes out of the bedroom several times, demanding attention. 

10. Mary is playing with the kitten. The telephone rings and mother answers it. Immediately Mary runs over and requests that mother read her a story.

11. Mary and Sue are playing house. Sue accidentally splashes some water from the sink on Mary. Mary fills a glass with water and pours it on Sue.

12. A mother takes her 3-year-old outside to weed the garden with her. She tells the child to sit on the grass while she runs to get her tools. When she returns, the child is gone.