REJECTION REMEDIES

In the space below, write what you would say and any actions you would take to help
the child deal with the rejection he/she faces.

1. Joan just came home from school. The look on her face tells you she has had a
   bad day. She mopes around for a while. When you ask her what is wrong, she
   begins to cry and explains that she cannot read as well as some of the children
   in her class. The other children make fun of her when it is her turn to read
   aloud.

2. Fran is sitting alone on the steps. There are many children in the park across
   the street, playing all sorts of games. You ask her why she isn't playing. She
   sighs and answers, "The kids think I'm dumb because I don't know all the rules.
   They know they will lose if I am on their team."

3. Tim is a very bright student. He loves to read and gets good grades on all of his
   work. He is also very shy. After school, all the neighborhood children play
   games in the vacant lot. You ask Tim why he doesn't play with the children. He
   replies, "They wouldn't like me. They all call me 'brain man.' I don't know what
to do."

4. Joseph is overweight. However, he is very strong and is a very good soccer
   player. He is sitting pretending to watch television but is really watching the
   neighborhood kids play soccer at the playground. You ask him why he doesn't
   join them. He replies, "They are stupid. They don't know the rules and can't
   play right. Besides that, they call me names."