**Educator Directions: What Should I Do?**

**Materials:** Print out “What Should I Do?” worksheet for all students.

**Prompt:** “We’re going to talk about times when we were disappointed. Can you think of a time when you were disappointed?”

A few examples:

- when you lose at a game
- when you fall off your bike
- when a friend is mean or leaves you out
- you didn't get the lunch you wanted
- you wanted something but didn't get it

How do you feel when those things happen? *give time for a quick discussion*

*pass out worksheet*

Take a few minutes and write down something that made you feel disappointed. It could have happened today, yesterday or a long time ago but you still remember it. You may have a few things that have made you feel that way. Write them in the sand where the sandcastle has fallen down.

*you can have a small group or class discussion after this part*

**Prompt:** Discuss with your students what they can do when something doesn't go their way. You can ask for some suggestions from the class or have the students share what's on the worksheet.

Next, have students write a few ideas into their sandcastle to “build it back up”. Explain how the way we react in times of disappointment can really help our mood and how we go on with our day.

Each student's sandcastle may look a bit different because they might choose different phrases and that's OK. It's a good opportunity for you to see what resonates with them when they have those feelings.

**Additional Resources:**
[https://www.centervention.com/i-statements/](https://www.centervention.com/i-statements/)