Choosing Kind Words

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Adriana bounced the ball to Selene. Boing! Selene caught the ball and bounced the ball back. Thud! Adriana didn’t catch the ball. Selene called Adriana a mean name. Adriana looked sad.

“Please don’t say that,” said Adriana. “It hurts my feelings.”

Adriana bounced the ball to Selene. “I’m sorry I called you a mean name,” said Selene. Adriana bounced the ball back to Selene. “I’m glad we can play ball together!” said Selene.
I Can Use Kind Words

Read the kind words that the children use and color each bubble. When would you use these kind words?

- Please?
- Thank you!
- Can I help?
- No, thank you.
- You’re welcome.
- I’m sorry.
- It’s OK. I forgive you.
- Please stop.
- You can do it!
- Don’t give up!