





Stories to Light Our Way

Honor Diversity • Nurture Character • Deter Bullying
"Stories have the power to change the world"

The Turtle That Couldn't Keep His Mouth Shut Story Sticks

Just like Snappy had to hang onto the sticks in the story by keeping his mouth shut, we often need to hang onto strategies to help us control ourselves.

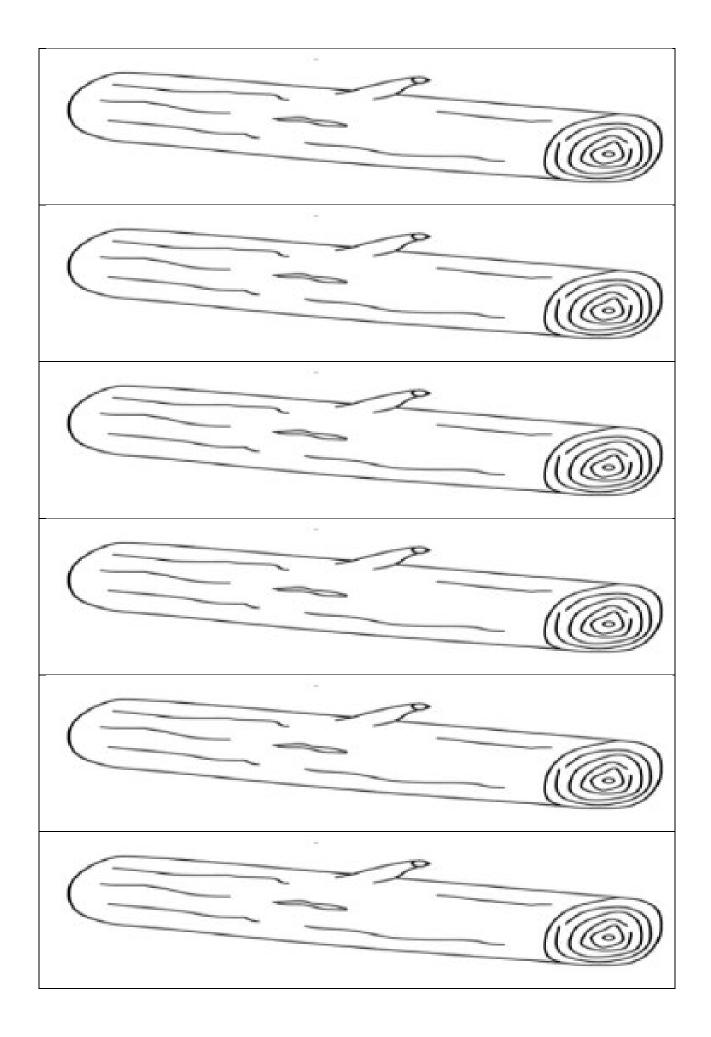
Materials:

Story Sticks

Procedures:

Write some strategies or ideas of things we can do when we feel ourselves losing control on the sticks on this page.

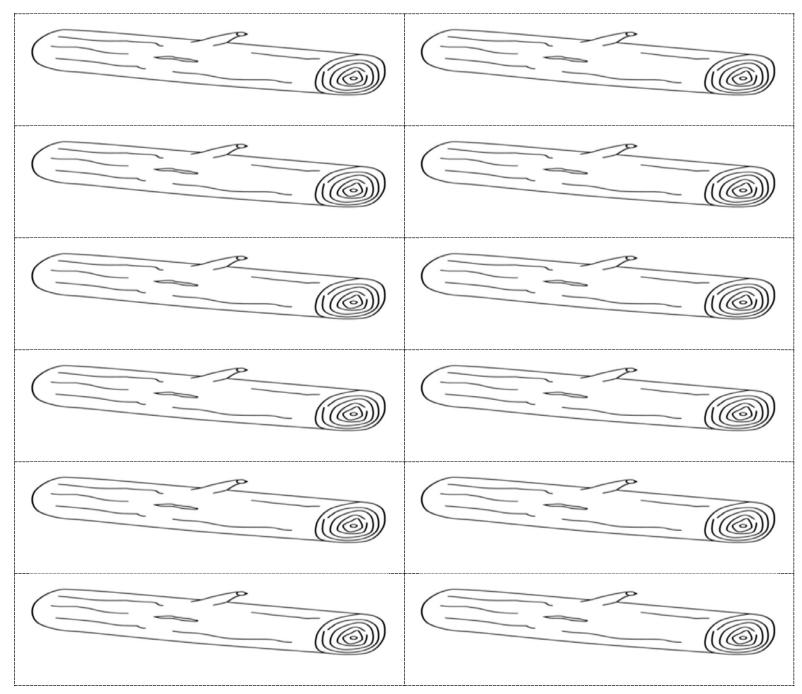
An example would "talking to an adult".





Sticks to use with Snappy.

Write a strategy on a stick, then cut out and place on wall next to your Snappy to help with your self-control.



Everyday examples of "Self-Control Strategies" to write on sticks	Help Stop the Spread of Covid-19 examples of "Self-Control Strategies" to write on sticks
☐ Meditative Moments	☐ Wash your hands for 20 seconds
☐ Mindful Breathing	☐ Don't touch your face
☐ Count to 3	☐ Keep surfaces clean
☐ Close your eyes	☐ Wear a mask if you go out
☐ Talk to an adult or friend	☐ Stay home
☐ Sit on your hands	☐ Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue
☐ Stop, think, say/go	☐ Use hand sanitizer when you don't have access to soap and water.
☐ Walk away	
☐ Take a break	

Directions: Students should decorate each character and then cut it out. Attach to either paper bags or craft sticks to create puppets. Use the puppets to retell the story.

