What Are Emotions? 0

An emotion is a feeling you have in your mind and your body before, during and after something happens. You can even have a feeling when nothing is happening. Being **bored** is an emotion!

Most of the time we feel several emotions in a short period of time. Here's an example:

You're standing quietly. You have a **calm** feeling.

A friend walks up and says, "I really liked the way you sang that song in chorus today."

You smile and get a good feeling in your body. You are feeling the emotions of **happiness** and **pride**. You feel great about what the person said.

You say, "Thanks. I really like singing that song. I'm glad you liked it." You are feeling thankful and friendly.

Your friend leaves and you have both a calm and a happy feeling.

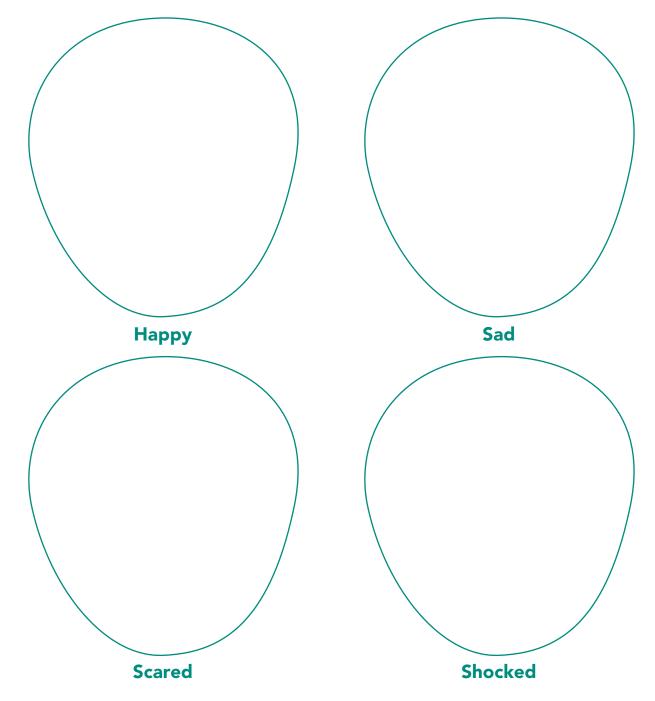
In the situation above, someone said something to make you feel happy. What might someone say to make you feel the emotions below?

surprised ______scared

Recognizing Emotions 2

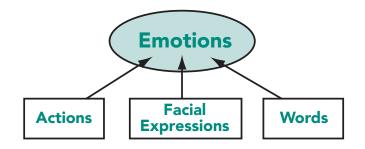
Think about how a person's face looks when he feels different emotions. How does his mouth look when he is happy? How do his eyes look when he is surprised or sad?

Look at each emotion word below. Draw features on each blank face that express the emotion. Have a partner model the emotion for you while you draw it and then have your partner draw while you model. Compare your drawings and talk about how different facial features change with each emotion.



Emotions and Actions =

Simple actions can tell you a lot about emotions.



Look at each emotion on the left. Circle two actions in each row that go with the emotion.

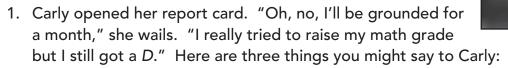
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Look at each action on the left. Circle the two emotions in each row that go with the action.

1.	smile	cautious	cheerful	pleased
2.	argue	displeased	irritated	amazed
3.	weep	responsible	miserable	worried
4.	laugh	amazed	bored	delighted
5.	hug	confused	caring	loving
6.	collapse	enthusiastic	exhausted	weak
7.	tremble	horrified	trusting	frightened
8.	blame	suspicious	irritated	joyous
9.	sigh	relieved	joyful	satisfied
10.	run	calm	threatened	endangered

The things you say can have a big effect on how others feel. Here are two good rules to follow to make sure you aren't having a negative effect on someone's emotions:

- If what you're saying might hurt someone's feelings, don't say it.
- If someone is upset or disappointed, say something that will make the person feel better. Don't just make a joke to cheer them up.



- a. "You really should have tried harder, Carly. Study while you're grounded."
- b. "Carly, just hide your report card. Your parents will never find out."
- c. "Carly, I'm so sorry. I know how hard you studied. Your dad will understand."

Which comment would make Carly feel less sad about her report card?

Which comment would make Carly feel more sad about her report card?

- 2. Simeon wears a new shirt to school. It is bright yellow with big blue and red flowers all over it. Here are three things you might say to him:
 - a. "Ha! What a crazy shirt, Simeon. Did you steal it from a clown?"
 - b. "Wow! That's an interesting shirt, Simeon. It reminds me of the beach."
 - c. "Awesome shirt, Simeon. Where did you get that? My mom only buys me boring, plain shirts."

Which comment would make Simeon feel proud of his shirt?

Which comment would make Simeon feel ashamed of his shirt?

- 3. Lakeesha sang in the school talent show. She forgot the words halfway through. After the show she asked, "How can I ever show my face again? Did you hear the people laughing when I forgot the words?" Here are three things you might say to Lakeesha:
 - a. "I don't think very many people noticed. You may be over-reacting."
 - b. "You have an awesome voice. I know you'll nail it next time."
 - c. "It was pretty funny when you forgot the words. I almost started laughing, too."

Which comment would make Lakeesha feel better about her performance?_______
Which comment would make Lakeesha feel worse about her performance?______



Read each problem below. Then make a check beside the type of problem it is. Write something that would be appropriate to say in each situation.

Problem	Type of Problem	Response
You walk into the kitchen and see that your new puppy went to the bathroom on the floor.	Huge Problem Small Problem No Problem	
 You wake up in the middle of the night. You hear a loud, beeping alarm and you smell smoke. No one else is awake. 	Huge Problem Small Problem No Problem	
3. You're in the grocery store with your mom and you see a good friend from school.	Huge Problem Small Problem No Problem	
4. You grab your basketball from the closet to take it to the park. When you pick it up, you realize it's flat.	Huge Problem Small Problem No Problem	
5. You were supposed to take out the garbage on your way to school. You forgot to do it and you know your dad will be mad when he gets home.	Huge Problem Small Problem No Problem	
6. You and a friend are the only people at the skate park. Your friend misses a trick and falls hard. He can't move his right arm.	Huge Problem Small Problem No Problem	
7. There's a huge science test on Friday. It's Thursday and you've been studying for an hour every night this week.	Huge Problem Small Problem No Problem	