Apologizing

Social Support Story



Includes Audio & Low-Ink Print Version

For Targeted Social Skills Support

Part of the Social Support Story Series

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When Students Struggle with Apologizing

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Some students have difficulty apologizing or making things right after a problem.



They may not yet understand:

- ☑ how their actions affect others
- ☑ why apologies matter in relationships
- ☑ how and why to try to repair the situation

★ Social stories can help students understand these situations in a clear and supportive way.

Why This Skill Matters

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- Not apologizing can make it harder to repair relationships
- Students may not realize how others feel after a problem
- Learning how to apologize and repair helps students rebuild trust
- Explicit instruction makes these expectations clearer

How Social Stories Help Students

Social stories help students understand social expectations through clear language and predictable structure.

They can help students:

- ☑ understand expected behavior
- ☑ learn appropriate ways to respond
- ☑ build confidence in social situations

★ For many students, seeing a situation explained step-by-step makes expectations easier to understand.

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What Makes This Social Support Story Different

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This social support story goes beyond simply describing the expected behavior.

Students also see:

- ☑ how their actions affect others
- ☑ how others may respond to the behavior
- ☑ how relationships can be affected
- ☑ what they can do to repair the situation

★ This deeper understanding helps students apply the skill in real situations.

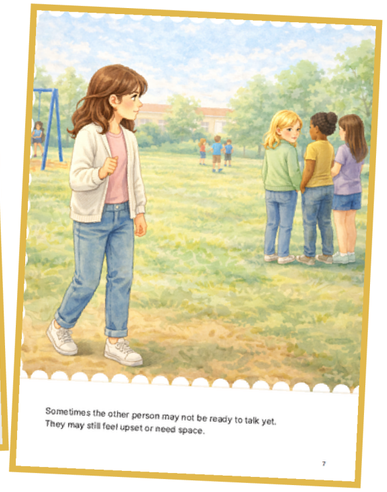


Help Students See the Impact of Their Behavior

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- Illustrations show how others feel in the situation
- Facial expressions and body language help students recognize social cues
- Supports discussion during 1-on-1 or small-group instruction
- Helps students connect actions with other's reactions









Teach Students What to Do Instead

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- Models respectful ways to take responsibility
- Teaches students how to recognize when they have made a mistake
- Includes language students can use to repair the situation
- Reinforces positive ways to rebuild relationships

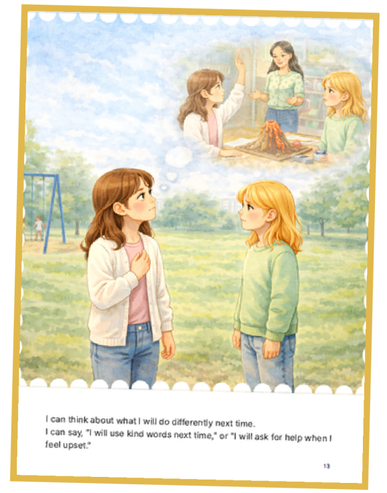


- Helps students practice making things right, not just saying “sorry”

Give Students Language They Can Use

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- Written in clear first-person language that students can internalize
- Models respectful ways to communicate with peers
- Reinforces positive self-talk for social situations
- Helps students remember what to do in real situations





Formats Included

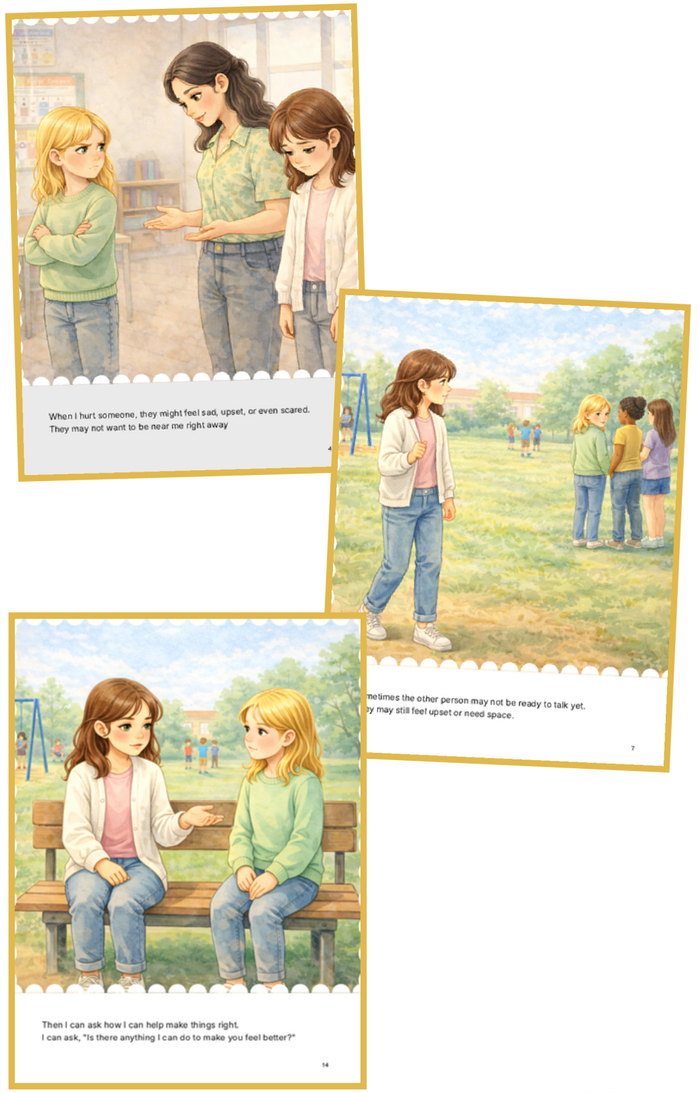
- Full color social support story
- Black & white version for low-ink printing & home use
- Audio narration link for repeated listening and reinforcement
- QR code for easy access at school or home



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Use the Color Story for Instruction

- Ideal for 1-on-1 social skills instruction
- Works well for small group discussions
- Illustrations help students interpret social situations
- Supports guided conversation about behavior and relationships



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Use the Black & White Version for Instruction or Practice

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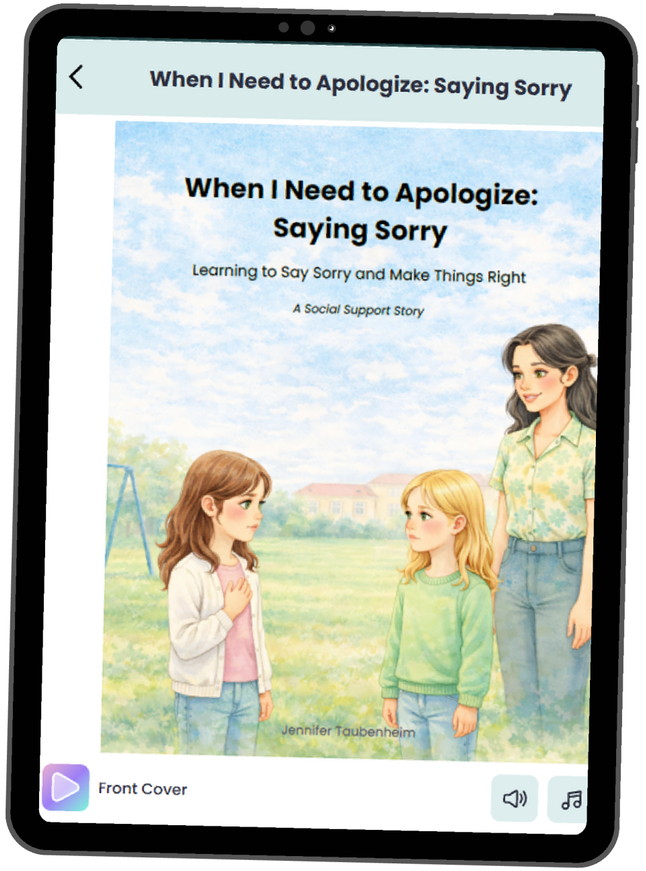
- Print a low-ink version for everyday use
- Send home for consistent reinforcement
- Supports carryover between school and home



Support Independent Listening with Audio Narration

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- Includes a link to a digital bookshelf with audio narration
- Students can listen while following along with the story
- Supports repeated exposure and skill reinforcement
- Ideal for centers, independent practice, or home reinforcement



How to Use This Social Support Story

- Use during 1-on-1 social skills instruction
- Read and discuss in small social skills groups
- Use in special education or general education classrooms
- Helpful for ABA therapy, counseling, or behavior support sessions
- Send home to help families reinforce the skill

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