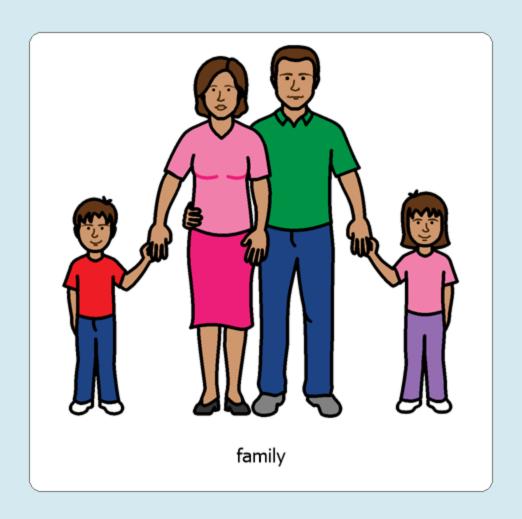
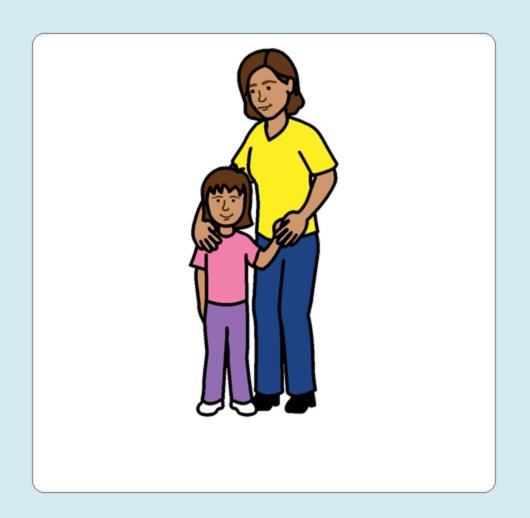


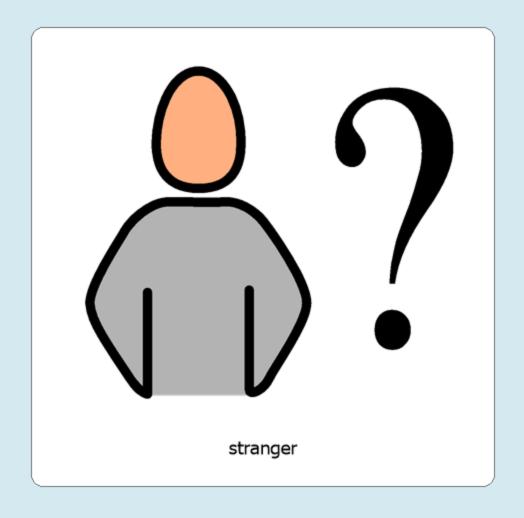
A Social Story for overly friendly children



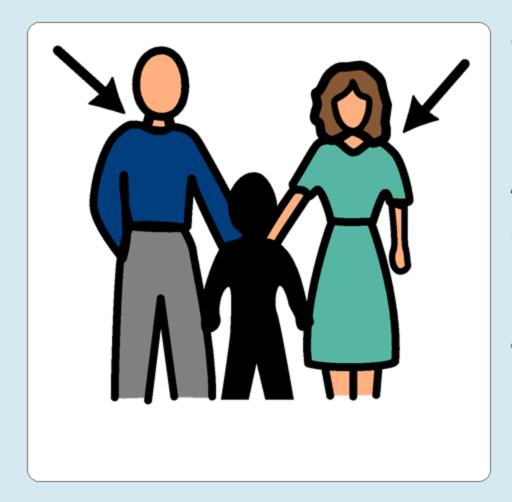
I see lots of people everyday like my family, friends and teachers.



These people are safe because they take care of me and my caregivers trust them.



Sometimes I meet new people.
Some are safe people and some are not safe.

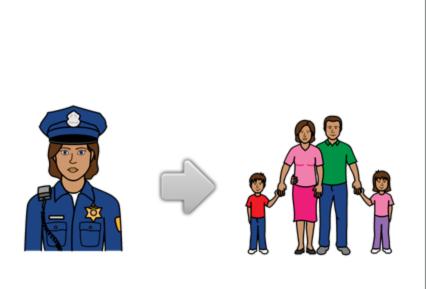


When I meet new people I should ALWAYS ask my caregiver if they are safe before I talk to them.

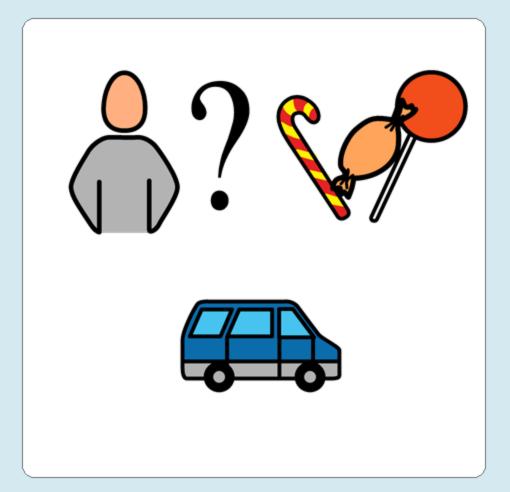


Other safe people are:

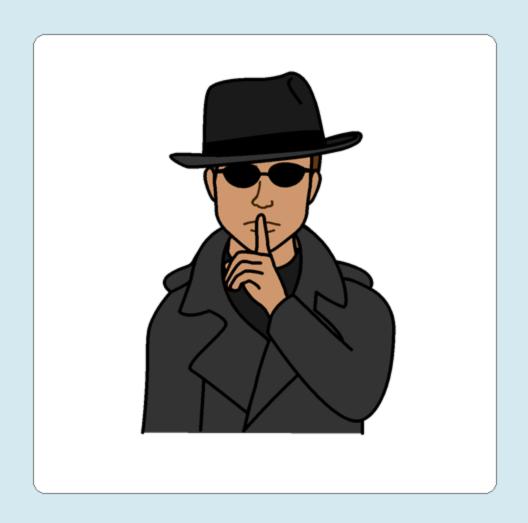
Police officers
Firefighters
Teachers
and
Parents with children



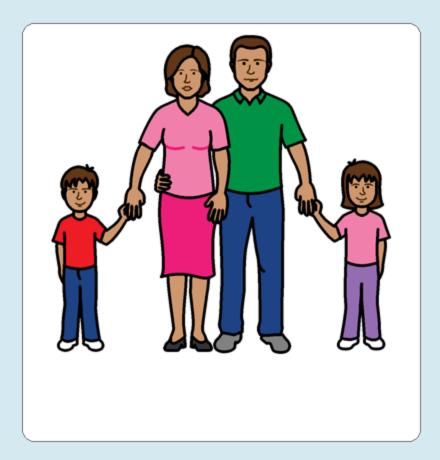
These other safe people will help me get back to my caregivers.



Unsafe people might ask me to disobey my parents or do something without asking permission.



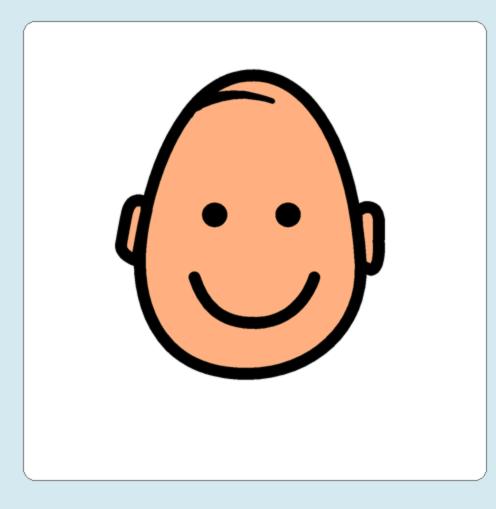
Unsafe people might ask me to keep a secret or help them with something without my caregivers permission.



I should always listen to my caregivers because they care about me and want me to be safe and happy.

THE END.

For parents: teach each of these skills over time.



Simple Safety rules:

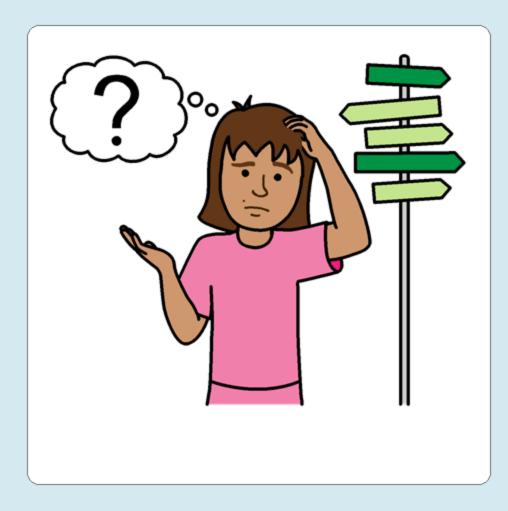
Trust yourself: if something doesn't feel right, find help right away.

Always walk with a buddy: you are safer with other kids.

Memorize your name, parents' names, address, and phone number.

Secrets aren't safe:Tell your parents right away if someone asks you to keep a secret. Say: "No, I don't keep secrets from my mom and dad."

Practice identifying safe and unsafe people while you are out.



If you are lost:

Play the freeze game until your caregiver comes back: If you get separated from your parents in public, you should freeze where you are and wait for your caregivers to retrace their steps and come back to you. If anyone tried to help you tell them, "I'm playing the Freeze Game until my mom and dad come back. Will you stay with me?" If this person tries to force you to move, yell and tell.

Yell and Tell: If someone tries to force you to go with them, yell as loud as you can, "This is not my dad!" Tell your parents or another good stranger right away if someone tries to get you to go with them.

Find a good stranger: finding a good stranger is the safest option in many situations. Find a good stranger who can help you, whenever you feel threatened or get an "uh-oh" feeling.