

HANDOUT MASTER:

Situation Cards – Large Print

Situation

Feeling Alone

You are late out of class because of needing to print material. You cannot see anyone that you know to sit with to eat lunch. You sit down with people you don't know and who don't know about you.

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Support in School

You have a support assistant who sees it as their job to sit next to you all the time. This means that you are unable to talk to your friends. It makes you feel isolated and lonely.

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Feeling Stupid because of Vision Impairment

Your teacher forgets to produce work for you at the beginning of the lesson in the correct format. You are made to share with a friend and they have to read everything to you. You feel stupid and it looks as if you can't read. Your friend is also fed up about it.

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Sports

Your school has an end of year inter-house Sports Day which has an emphasis on fun rather than competition. It is expected that everyone will take part in the final event, which is a team relay. It is clear that your team captain is not at all happy to have you as part of the team but puts you in to run third. After the first two lengths your team are well in the lead. But after your length they fall to last place and don't recover. They finish last.

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Protective Parents

Your parents won't allow you to walk to your friend's house even though it is nearer than school, and you walk there every day. They allow your younger sister to go to her friend's house. You are beginning to feel that they will never let you out alone.

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Rejection (1)

A party from your class at school plans a shopping trip to the West End of London. Having said initially that you could go with them, they are now having second thoughts saying that you would slow them down and implying that you would cramp their style on the trip.

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Rejection (2)

A trip to Spain has been organised by your friends from school after the year 11 exams. Before tickets have been bought, it becomes known that one or two of your friends' parents are unhappy about you joining the party despite the fact that your parents are happy for you to go. Those parents who doubt that you should go think it would be too much of a responsibility for their offspring to supervise you on a foreign holiday. They cite issues of travel, swimming etc.

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Rejection (3)

Your school has organised a provisional work experience in general office administration for two weeks at a firm in a local business park. A message is sent to your careers tutor in school that the company have decided that they cannot take you, now that they know more of the extent of your vision impairment. They are worried that you would not manage the job and they say there are Health and Safety issues within a busy office.

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STOP Reminder Cards

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