Mental health is how we think, feel, and act when facing life’s situations. Like physical health, mental health is important at every stage of life.

Children experience a wide range of feelings every day—most pleasant, some, or a few, worrisome. The Caring for Every Child’s Mental Health Campaign, a part of the Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services for Children and Their Families Program, created this coloring and activity book to help young children better understand, or recognize feelings. The book also encourages children to share their feelings with caring adults.

Please use this book as a fun and comfortable way to introduce the topic of feelings and mental health to young children in your care.
Sharon likes to draw. Hector is good at spelling. They like different things. They are both special. Here are some things that are special about me.

My name is ___________.
I have ___________ hair.
I have ___________ eyes.
I am _________ years old.
I am in the ______ grade.
I am really good at ________________________.

Draw a picture of yourself.
Sometimes Spike feels like he cannot sit still in class. He likes to get out of his chair and walk around the room. Be a friend and help Spike find his way back to his desk.
Surprise! Casey feels happy because he has a new pet. Connect the dots to see Casey's new buddy.
Maya is worried. She has lost her things for school. Help her feel better by finding the missing items.

- Lunch
- Pencil
- Book
- Jacket
- Ruler
- Umbrella
Our faces can show how we feel.
Draw each face to match the feeling.

SILLY
HAPPY
WORRIED
SCARED

Write in the feeling to match the face.

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Some days Sharon is happy. Some days she likes to be quiet and read a book. Some days she likes to run and laugh. How many feelings can you find hidden here?

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Be like Spike. Share your coloring & activity book and your feelings with a grown-up!

Answers:

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Pg. 4  It's a rabbit.

Pg. 5  Lunch: next to Mary's leg; Pencil: on side of dresser; Book: on rug; Jacket: at end of bed; Ruler: on bedspread; Umbrella: in curtain.

Pg. 7

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