

Safeguarding Yes and No feelings



- Is it acceptable for a parent to tell a child they are useless?
- Is it acceptable for a worker to invite a child to go to their house?
- Is it acceptable for an adult to hit a young person around the head to keep them quiet?
- Is it acceptable for a 6-year-old, to be out alone on a busy street or park?
- Is it acceptable to miss meals because there isn't enough food in the house?
- Is it acceptable for a child to be told to kiss Auntie goodbye even if they don't want to?
- Is it acceptable for a child to say no to something they are not comfortable or happy with?

TASK

Put yourself in the child's shoes. How do you think these statements would make you feel? What impact could be had on your wellbeing?

Use this exercise as an opportunity to remind one another of the signs and indicators of abuse, the variances, the extreme and the subtle and how all are damaging to children.