



SOCIAL SKILLS FOR EVERYONE

making friends & getting along

YOU MIGHT HAVE NOTICED...

there are all kinds of people in the world.
no two are exactly alike. Not even twins!



**YOU PROBABLY WON'T BE FRIENDS
WITH **EVERYONE** YOU MEET**

AND THAT'S OK!

but learning to get along with people makes
life a little better for all of us.



WHEN YOU MEET SOMEONE NEW...

it's nice to greet them and even nicer to invite them to talk or play with you



but what if they don't answer?



IT MIGHT **NOT** MEAN THEY DON'T WANT TO PLAY



TRY THIS!



WAIT A FEW MORE SECONDS

some people just need a little more time to answer questions or think of what to say

..... **OKAY!**

move so THEY CAN see YOUR FACE

some people need to read your lips while you talk



ASK IN A DIFFERENT WAY

if they aren't sure how to answer, using different words might help



OR MAYBE JUST TRY AGAIN LATER. THEY MIGHT NOT BE READY TO JOIN IN YET, AND THAT'S OKAY TOO!

SOME PEOPLE DO NOT SPEAK AT ALL (OR NOT VERY MUCH)

but you can still include them!

PEOPLE WHO DON'T SPEAK COMMUNICATE IN OTHER WAYS, LIKE:



BODY LANGUAGE!



**USING THEIR VOICE
IN OTHER WAYS**



HAHAHA!

**OR EVEN USING AN
APP ON A TABLET!**



**okay.
let's play!**

WHEN YOU MEET SOMEONE WHO SEEMS DIFFERENT

you might notice that they look, talk, or act differently than anyone else you've met before



IT'S GOOD TO CELEBRATE OUR DIFFERENCES AND REMEMBER WE AREN'T ALL THAT DIFFERENT ON THE INSIDE

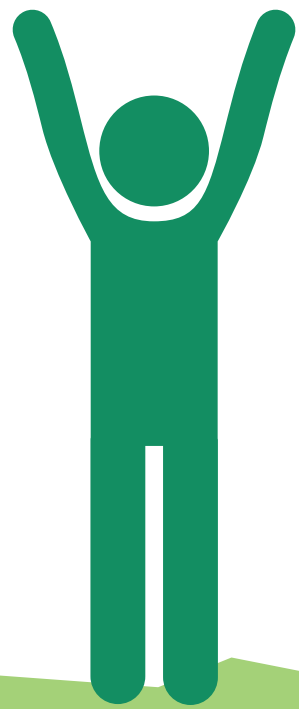
we all pretty much want the same things:

to be accepted, to feel we belong, and to have fun doing things we enjoy



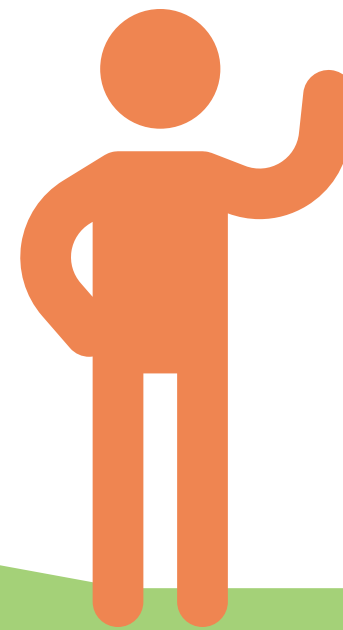
THERE ISN'T ONLY ONE "RIGHT WAY" TO SOCIALIZE ...JUST LIKE THERE ISN'T ONLY ONE WAY TO PLAY!

**EVERYONE HAS
THEIR OWN STYLE**



**AND I THINK THAT'S
COOL!**

**AND LEARNING SOMEONE
ELSE'S STYLE IS HOW YOU
INCLUDE SOMEONE NEW**



**AND HEY,
REMEMBER....**

**NEXT TIME, THE
NEW PERSON...
COULD BE YOU!**

