# Directions

- 1. Decide who will be Partner A and who will be Partner B. If you are Partner A, read the first scenario out loud, but do not act it out.
- 2. Partner B listens as Partner A practices a Way to Calm Down and an assertive statement.
- **3.** Switch parts and repeat the directions above for the next scenario.
- 4. If there is time, write your own scenario and repeat the directions above with your partner.

# Scenarios

#### New shoes

Someone in your class is insulting your new shoes.

- 1. Choose and practice one or more of the following Ways to Calm Down:
  - Breathe Count Use positive self-talk
- **2.** Choose one of the following statements and practice doing or saying it assertively to your partner:
  - Ignore the comment and turn away.
  - Say, "Stop it. I don't like that."
  - Say, "That's your opinion. I like these shoes."
  - Say a different assertive comment: \_

## Wrong answer

A classmate is making fun of you for answering a question wrong in front of the class.

- Choose and practice one or more of the following Ways to Calm Down:
  Breathe Count Use positive self-talk
- **2.** Choose one of the following statements and practice doing or saying it assertively to your partner:
  - Ignore the comment and turn away.
  - Say, "Stop it. I don't like that."
  - Say, "I made a mistake. That's okay."
  - Say a different assertive comment: \_

## Your own scenario

Choose and practice one or more of the following Ways to Calm Down:
 Breathe Count Use positive self-talk

- 2. Choose one of the following statements and practice doing or saying it assertively to your partner:
  - Ignore the comment and turn away.
  - Say, "Stop it. I don't like that."

Say a different assertive comment: \_