

ACTIVITY: PROBLEM SOLVING WITH DOONEY THE DONKEY & CURIOUS JAY - LET'S DO IT!



Step 1: Identify the problem.

Step 2:

List ways the problem can be solved.

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2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Step 3: Examine each solution to see how it can best solve the problem.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Step 4: Select the best solution.

1. _____

Step 5: Apply the solution. Go do it.

Now here are some problems. Using the steps in problem solving, find the best solutions.

Problem 1: Bob was playing in the school yard when he finds one hundred dollars. What must Bob do?

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Step 2: List the options.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

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Step 3: Weigh the options.

Step 4: Select the best option.

Step 5: Apply the solution. Go and do it.

Problem 2: Mary is at school. She is in grade two. Every day, a girl from grade six comes to beg her for money. Mary is afraid as the girl says that if she does not give her money, she is going to hit her.

Step 1: Identify the problem.

Step 2: List how the problem can be solved.

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2. _____

3. _____

Step 3: Weigh the options.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Step 4: Select the best option.

Step 5: Apply the solution. Go do it.

Now, you can solve these problems. Be sure to write the steps down.

Pam has to walk home from school. One day, while she was walking home, a stranger approaches her at school and tells her that her mother says she is to pick her up. Pam knows that her mother never said that anyone was to pick her up.

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Step 5: Apply the solution. What should Pam do?

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Michelle is at home, and her stepfather looks at her in a way she does not like. He rubs his hands into her hands. He picks her up and tells her she looks nice and touches her on her private parts. What should Michelle do to solve this problem?

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Step 4: Select the best solution.

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Step 5: Apply the solution. What should Michelle do?

Dr. Bird says, "When we learn to solve our problems, we are taking responsibility. We know that there are many ways to solve a problem, and we select the best solution."

*Read the book The Adventurous of Curious Jay
with Dr. Bird Says. My First Book of My
Body Parts, The Importance of Speaking the
Truth and Problem Solving.*