

Key Take-Aways

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Summary: Expand a child's emotional range by modelling different positive and negative emotions in different play scenarios to prompt a reaction from your child that you can help them work through

- Essential to this capacity is the child <u>connecting emotions</u> to ideas
- <u>Cautiously invite</u> your child's participation in a drama by roleplaying with various animated voices and emotional expressions
- Entice your child to be more creative and have more complex ideas by <u>adding new elements</u> into play and helping them understand a beginning, middle, and end to dramas that you create together
- Ask for your child's permission when adding a new element in play so they are in charge, and pull back if they are too overwhelmed
- Encourage your child to practice negative emotions <u>in play</u> and experiment with pushing the limits of what is acceptable so they will struggle less with these emotions and boundaries in real life

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