Your calm-down toolkit



- 1. Take 5 deep breaths, breathing in through your nose and out through your mouth.
- 2. Clench your fists as hard as you can for 5 seconds and then open them as wide as possible. Do this 5 times.
- 3. Close your eyes and imagine your favourite place, picturing every detail.
- 4. Turn over an hourglass and watch the sand run out.
- 5. Hold a yoga pose for as long as you can (e.g., tree, frog).
- 6. Read a sentence you find soothing.
- 7. Hum softly.
- 8. Tilt your upper body from side to side.
- 9. Push your palms together as hard as you can.
- 10. Push against a wall as hard as you can.
- 11. Touch something soft (e.g., a blanket, a feather, a piece of cloth).
- 12. Drink a glass of water.
- 13. Squeeze a stress ball.
- 14. Colour a mandala.
- 15. Draw a series of circles without lifting your pencil from the paper.
- 16. Smell 5 objects that you see around you.
- 17. Count backwards from 100.
- 18. Turn off the lights for a few minutes.
- 19. Fold and unfold a sheet of paper over and over again.
- 20. Give your favourite stuffed animal a big hug.

